



CAPITOL'S CORNERSTONE, now lost somewhere within the building's foundations, is laid by George Washington. This painting of the moment is one of many new murals decorating the Capitol in readiness

for Bicentennial visitors. The cornerstone mystery is included in the new edition of "We, the People," the story of the Capitol produced by the National Geographic Society for the Capitol Historical Society.

Bicentennial Edition Updates History Of Capitol

The cornerstone is still missing at the nation's Capitol, lost somewhere beneath tons of stone during 183 years of construction, adding-on, and remodeling.

But deep within the massive edifice with its much-copied dome and colonnaded wings, three historic chambers have been "found." Bicentennial visitors will discover the rooms just as they were when the country was young.

The chambers are old meeting places of the House of Representatives, the Supreme Court, and the Senate—places where many laws of the land have been made and judged.

Each of the newly restored chambers is described in the 10th edition of what many readers will find to be a handy guidebook. It is "We, the People, the Story of the United States Capitol, its Past and its Promise."

Written by Lorraine Aikman, the book is published by the United States Capitol Historical Society. Text and pictures were produced as a public service by the National Geographic Society. More than three million copies have been sold since it was first printed in 1963.

Editions in French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese are available for foreign visitors.

Statuary Hall, with its somber, silent figures representing prominent citizens from the States, is the way most tourists will remember the Old House Chamber. But many will notice decorations

and furnishings of the period when the Congressmen met there from 1807 to 1857, the present chamber in the House wing was completed.

Pictures commemorate eight Congressmen who served there, and later became President: Lincoln, Buchanan, Fillmore, William Henry Harrison, Andrew Johnson, Pierce, Polk, and Tyler.

Burning the Capitol Legend has it that the British commander in 1814 took over the Speaker's chair and asked his invading troops: "Shall this harbor of Yankee democracy be burned?" With their "Ayes" the torch was put to the new Capitol.

The old Supreme Court chamber was completed in 1800 and was first the home of the Senate. Within its confines, Thomas Jefferson twice was inaugurated as President. Later, with the Court in session there from 1810 to 1860, Daniel Webster argued key constitutional cases, and Chief Justice John Marshall helped mold the Court and the nation with far-reaching opinions.

Meanwhile, the Senate had moved to quarters upstairs, constructed by laying a new floor across the upper portion of the two-story area.

Now, in time for the Bicentennial, the old Supreme Court and Senate chambers have been furnished as they looked in the days when their walls rang with the great debates and critical roll calls of pre-Civil War years.

(Continued from page seven.) Burford was down from Columbus. Mrs. H. W. Carothers spent a few days at her former home in Columbus. Robert Stafford of Beaumont was a visitor in Eagle Lake. I. P. Fell spent Sunday in Houston. R. S. Simmons and wife left Sunday for Columbus. Mrs. Q. F. Walker and little daughter Rowena left Saturday for a visit to Luling. Mrs. Alex Callison is visiting in Columbus. Mrs. Warner Williams spent a few days visiting in Columbus. Dr. Green Davidson of Wharton is among the visitors in the city. Miss Ina Westmoreland visited Alton Saturday. Miss Ella Westmoreland is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Reid Westmoreland at Glen Flora. John C. York, our "Ward McAllister," is spending a few days in Houston. Allen Conner and Miss Alma Harris attended the dance in Weimar Thursday night. James Newman, Jack Soell, James Gordon, J. H. Harding and D. H. Conner were also in attendance at the Weimar dance. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Post and Miss Lillian Berry spent Sunday in San Antonio. Mrs. Robert Westmoreland came down from Columbus Saturday for a visit to relatives. John Alley of Nigh was in town Saturday. Agent Turpin of Matthews was a visitor in the city. Wm. Z. Zelle came up from Matagorda Sunday. John Norris from Glen Flora spent Sunday here visiting with relatives. Mayne J. H. Dennis, Mrs. Dennis and John, Jr. came up on the Cane Belt from Wharton

Bells to Toll Nationwide for 200th Birthday

DENVER, COLO. — A simultaneous, nationwide ringing of bells on July 4th will herald the country's entrance into its third century.

Communities, churches, schools, fire departments, universities and individuals will toll bells and carillons in conjunction with the ringing of the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia at 2:00 p.m. (EDST). The time selected is exactly 200 years from the precise moment that the Liberty Bell proclaimed the independence of the new nation.

John W. Warner, Administrator of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration (ARBA), announced the nationwide bell ringing program after consultations with community, state and regional Bicentennial officials at a special Bicentennial Weekend planning meeting held in Denver, Colorado.

"There is great interest across the land in a symbolic national effort to commemorate our 200th anniversary and many communities have already begun planning bell-ringing ceremonies as part of their Bicentennial activities," he said.

"Now, we are asking all Americans to join together on this historic occasion, and let the sound of every bell in the country ring out to declare our freedoms and signify our unity."

The bell-ringing will go on for two minutes in commemoration of the nation's first two centuries.

DAR Chapter In 44th Year

John Everett chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, celebrated its 44th anniversary in April. The 13 members of the organization when it was formed April 18, 1932, included: Mesdames Sallie Castles, Tanner Walker, W. H. Gunn, R. B. Wells, L. T. Everett, Lena Kerr, Sam C. Holloway, S. H. Simpson, C. L. Griffith, Jack Brasher, J. J. Everett, W. G. Dick and Miss Lee Nesbitt.

Sunday, P. A. Murray of Wharton was a visitor here. Warren Lott and Walter Armstrong came up from Wharton for a Sunday visit. W. C. Mordley of Glen Flora is a visitor here. W. A. Thatcher of Glen Flora spent Sunday here with his family. John Matthews spent a few days in Houston. R. J. Putney was attending court in Columbus. Paul Burger of Columbus was here en route for a visit to Bay City. Hal Chin was a visitor from Weimar. The Misses Vogelwang of Altair were visitors during the week. Evangelist B. Sanders spent Friday night here, en route to Bay City. Perry Clark was in Columbus Monday. Postmaster Geo. S. Ziegler was a Columbus visitor Monday. Mrs. Will Holloway of Weimar is visiting in the city. Sheriff Dick Bridge of Columbus was also a visitor here.

Among other items we note that I. E. Irvin is erecting a nice residence on McCarthy Avenue. Mrs. Emma D. Putney paid the Headlight office a call. The paper thanks A. B. Dunn, Sap agent, for courtesies rendered. Mrs. May Dobbin has just added to the appearance of her place by the erection of a new fence. Little Mabel Nail has been confined to her bed with fever during the past week. J. C. Westmoreland has just completed a neat little cottage on Main Street, opposite Mrs. Annie Phillips' home. Fishing on the lake is now almost as good as before the waters were pumped so low, and large strings of fish are being caught daily. City Marshal W. R. Kinard, a first-class printer himself, says the Headlight is a newspaper established on business principles and a newspaper that is going to stick and make a success. The "Davy Crockett," the new night train on the Sap, pulls the most comfortable reclining chairs of any road passing through Eagle Lake (My, my, but that Sap has made wonderful progress in these twenty-four years). D. D. Adams and Mrs. Sallie Halliburton

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There have been many new additions to the Eagle Lake scene in the past decade, but probably most noteworthy of these came about in the past several years. They are shown above, the new Eula and David Winterman Library, a gift of the Wintermans, located on the corner of Walnut and West Main, across from the Community Center; second from the top, Eagle Lake's new Fire Station which was erected on property adjoining the old fire station and city hall on Postoffice street with funds from Revenue Sharing proceeds; the new Heritage House Nursing Home, a project of Ameliorates, Inc., an organization of local citizens; and at bottom, the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital, a fine 35-bed, \$1.5 million facility with all of the latest medical facilities and equipment, dedicated debt-free.

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Candy Strippers

Hospital Jr. Volunteers Do Fine Service

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital Junior Volunteers were formed in November of 1974 as a community service unit dedicated to volunteer hospital service. Under the leadership of their first president, Cindy Wegenholtz, they soon became an active unit in the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital. They assisted with the opening of the new hospital and immediately went to work.

Besides the over 4,000 hours of volunteer work that they have contributed to the hospital, the Candy Strippers as they are generally known have also donated additional hours of their time to take the Red Cross First Aid Course.

Among their fund raising projects have been a bake sale and a Mexican dinner which they prepared and served to the members of the Oakdale Valley Shrine Club which sponsors these girls. Money from these two projects have enabled them to pay for their own name tags and most of their merit pins. It has also enabled them to send five of their girls and their current president, Miss Janice Kallina, the group has grown in membership to 46 girls and is still growing.

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EAGLE LAKE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, JULY 3-4

"Spirit of '76" PARADE
6:00 P.M.
Sat., July 3rd

BBQ DINNER
BBQ Beef and Sausage & Trimmings
Eagle Lake Recreation Center 11 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
SUNDAY, JULY 4th
\$2.75 Person Advance Ticket Sales Only
Deadline for Ticket Purchase is Wed., June 30th
No Tickets To Be Sold July 4th

Arts & Crafts Show
Sat., July 3 - 12 Noon to 5:30 p.m.
Sun., July 4 - 12 Noon to 5:30 p.m.
THE FARRIS 1912 (Former Ramsey Hotel)
8:00 p.m. Sun., July 4
Memorial Service
Eagle Lake Middle School Football Field
BICENTENNIAL MUSICAL
By Community Choir

Fireworks Display
Eagle Lake Airport
Approx. 9:30 p.m.
SUN., JULY 4

Food & Entertainment
Booths Open 5 p.m.
Sat., July 3rd
DOWNTOWN EAGLE LAKE

Street Dance July 3
8 to 12
Music by Western Way

Historical Marker DEDICATION
4 P.M. SAT., JULY 3
FM 102 S. Lakeside Dr.

Marvin's, Inc.
Restaurant & Blue Goose Hunting Club
Altair, Texas

Scouts Depict Spirit Of '76



The Spirit of '76 set the theme for the 1975 Fourth of July parade held here last July. Left to right are, flag bearer John Wegenholtz, rifle player Russell Johnson, drummer John Stephens and rifleman Michael Schorlemmer. Other members of the troop and their leaders followed this foursome.

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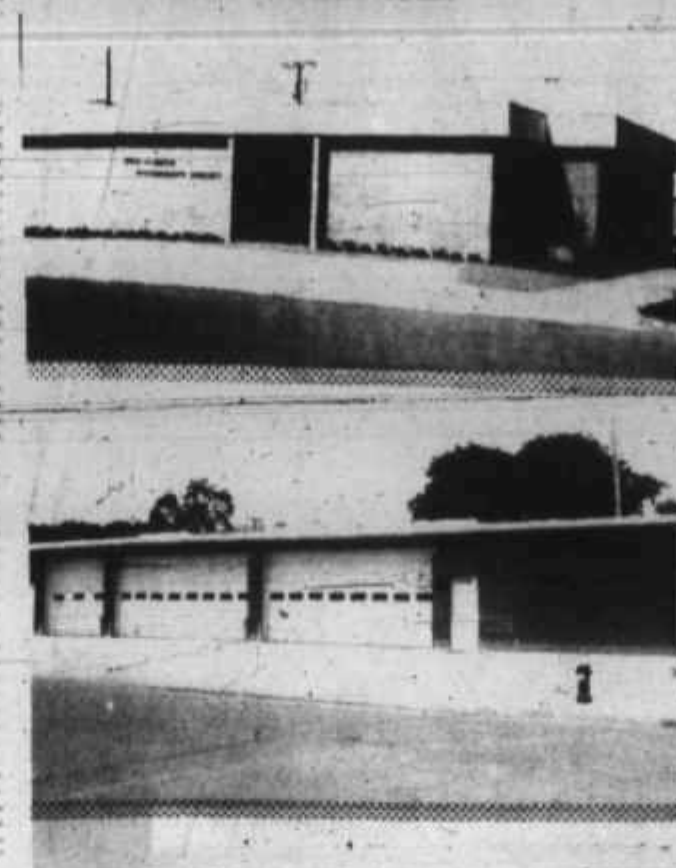
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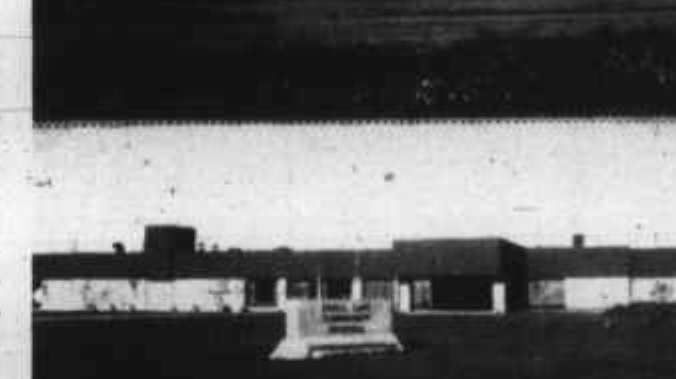
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BICENTENNIAL REPORT

STILL GROWING Recent Additions



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23 Banks Chartered In County

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Construction is underway at Rice Industries, Inc., on Highway 90A east of the city for the addition of a new dry-

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