VA EXPENDITURES IN TEXAS PASS $1.2 BILLION MARK

The Veterans Administration spent $1,202,397,751 in the State of Texas during fiscal year 1976, according to recent figures released by the VA. This represents an increase of $156.6 million over fiscal year 1975 expenditures in Texas by VA.

Ted W. Myatt, Director of the VA Regional Office in Houston, said these figures include $549,126,639 in compensation and pension benefits to veterans; $345,816,584 in GI Bill educational benefits and $48,326,910 in insurance and indemnities. The remainder was spent for construction and operating costs.

Free Car Wash

Mrs. Fred Henske, this is your ticket for a free car wash at Johnny's Kwik Kar Wash located next to Johnny's 66 Station in Eagle Lake. Clip this out and present it to Johnny's for a free car wash during festive times through Jan. 1

RICE DISTRICT SCHOOL MENUS

Thurs., Jan. 6: Chili and Beans, Whole Kernel Corn, Finger Salad, Applesauce, Crackers;

Fri., Jan. 7: Meat and Cheese Pizza, Carrot and Raisin Salad, Buttered English Peas, Lemon Cake.

Mon., Jan. 10: Meat/Spaghetti, Creamy Cole Slaw.

Cowbelles Group To Be Organized Jan. 18

(By Dorothy Schomberg, County Extension Agent)

Colorado County will organize a local chapter of Cowbelles on January 18th at 2:30 p.m., at the Columbus Municipal Building.

1. Cowbelles are women

ments, 4-H projects promoted, Bride's Kits assembled, demonstrations set up on how to buy beef, cook it, and utilize it. Displays serve as Information Centers on beef.

6. Two Nation-Wide Beef Promotion Projects that Cowbelles are completely responsible for are: Beef for Father's Day campaign and Beef Gift Certificates. Local Chapters are provided with illustrated material to use in their area.

7. Membership is made up of wives and daughters of cattle growers, feeders, processors, packers, and grain

Last Rites For Martha Parker Dec. 29

Friends in the community learned with regret of the death of Miss Martha Ann Parker, a long-time resident of this community. Miss Parker passed away in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital at 6:15 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27th after only a day's

she became a member of the Methodist Church in 1912.

Last rites were held at 10:00 a.m. Wed., Dec. 29th from the chapel of the Mill-Bauer Funeral Home with the Rev. Otis Kennell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Her body was placed to a final resting place in the Lakeside Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were Herbert Glueck and J. D. Alley of Houston, Louis W. Stiles, Jr., Edward Harberth, Robert S. Martin and R. J. Armstrong of this city.

Survivors are a sister, Miss Pamela Parker and a nephew, Mr. Jack Parker, both of Houston.

Garwood Fire Ball Feb. 19

The Garwood Volunteer Firemen announce the date for their annual Benefit Ball is Saturday, Feb. 19th and they invite citizens in the area to make plans to attend. Sammy and the Midnighters will be providing music for dancing from 9-to 1 in the NatchEZ Hall. Admission will be by donation to the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department.

RECORDINGS FILED IN COLORADO COUNTY

OIL & GAS LEASES

Lease, Betty Lou Miller to Premier Resources, 1199.99 acres, Samuel Fowler Survey and others, 11-10-76

Lease, Laura Jean Steffens to Premier Resources, 1199.99 acres, Samuel Fowler Survey and others, 11-10-76

Lease, John Steffens to Premier Resources, 1199.99 acres, Samuel Fowler Survey and others, 11-10-76

Lease, David Steffens, to Premier Resources, 1199.99 acres, Samuel Fowler Survey and others, 11-10-76

Lease, Ernest Steinmann and wife to Getty Oil Co., 60 acres, Miguel Muldoon Survey, 10-20-76

Lease, Mack K. Allen and wife and others, to Getty Oil Co., 267.65 acres, Robert Cunningham Survey and others, 10-1-76

Lease, Herbert J. Popp and wife to Kenneth W. Cory, 41.30 acres, HT&B RR Co. Survey, 11-22-76

Lease, Alvin Kohleffel to Sabre Exploration Corporation, 89 acres, J. F. Smith Survey, 10-18-76

Lease, Willie Kohleffel Mill to Sabre Exploration Corporation, 89 acres, J. F. Smith Survey, 11-15-76

Lease, Myrtle K. Arnett to Sabre Exploration Corporation, 89 acres, J. F. Smith Survey, 10-18-76

Lease, Myrtle S. Rothwell to Energy Sources Inc., 114.25 acres, J. H. Dabney Survey, 8-19-76

Lease, J. H. Rothwell Jr. and others to Energy Sources Inc., 114.25 acres, J. H. Dabney Survey, 8-19-76

Lease, Lillie Mae Sanders to Energy Sources Inc., 227 acres, John H. Dabney Survey, 8-19-76

Lease, Miriam Faudel to Banner Petroleum Inc., 40 acres, Peter K. Bartleson Survey, 9-1-76

Lease, Marial W. Wachter and husband to Banner Petroleum Inc., 450.79 acres, Peter K. Bartleson Survey, 8-25-76

Lease, Ruth S. Wilson to Banner Petroleum Inc., 450.79 acres, Peter K. Bartleson Survey, 8-25-76

Lease, N. J. Schneider and wife to Tom L. Hall and John Ward Williams, 188.96 acres, S. Kennerly League, 10-1-76

Lease, Mike J. Waligura, Trustee, to Tom L. Hall and John Ward Williams, 28.39 acres, S. Kennerly League, 10-1-76

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2 Sons Following In Footsteps Of Their Father, Dr. Thomas

At least two of the four children in the family of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond B. Thomas plan to follow in the footsteps of their father and are in studies preparing for the medical profession.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas and family are owners of the modern new Thomas Medical and Surgical Clinic at 610 South Austin Road and they invite you to attend the open house at the new facility from two to five p.m. this Sunday, January 9th.

The Thomas' oldest son, Russell, is a graduate of the University of Texas and received his master's degree in Public Health from the University of Texas School of Public Health in Houston. He is currently enrolled in the Texas Osteopathic College in Fort Worth where he will have four years of work before beginning practice.

The Thomases also have another son in training for the medical profession, Griff, who is a pre-medical student at Texas Lutheran College in Seguin.

Other members of the family are Kurt, who is enrolled at Southwest Texas University in San Marcos where he is a member of the university's tennis team; and Julia, a senior at Rice High School, who also plans to attend Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

Enrollment drops by 1,200 at UT

AUSTIN, Texas (Spl.) — Enrollment decreased by more than 1,200 students this fall at The University of Texas. The total enrollment is 41,387, a figure that includes 23,479 male and 17,908 female students.

Even though the College of Business Administration had a two per cent drop in enrollment, it still led all other UT colleges in number of students—6,967.

Nine of the colleges had fewer students than last year, while six made gains. The biggest increase came in the College of Engineering, which showed an enrollment gain of more than 15 per cent.

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SPORTS CORNER

ELMS Hosts Jr. Hi Tourney T-F-S

The Eagle Lake Middle School Junior High Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament will be held at the ELMS gym this Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6th, 7th and 8th.

The first round of action will see Eagle Lake 8th grade boys meeting East Bernard at 1:00 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 6; Brazos and Garwood 8th grade boys play at 2:15; East Bernard and Brazos 7th grade boys at 3:30 Thurs., Eagle Lake and El Campo 7th grade boys at 4:45. Eagle Lake 7th grade girls meet Weimar 8th at 6:00 p.m., Weimar 7th and Garwood 8th grade girls at 7:15 Thursday.

Eagle Lake 8th grade girls meet Brazos 7th graders at 1:00 p.m. Friday. Garwood 7th grade girls play Brazos 8th at 2:15 Friday.

Consolation finals for the girls will be at 2:30 p.m. and the championship girls game at 3:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8. In the boys play, the 8th grade consolation will be at 4:30 Friday, the 7th grade consolation at 6:00 Friday, the 7th grade championship game at 5:00 Saturday, Jan. 8 and the 8th grade boys final at 7:30 p.m.

The tickets to the tournament cost 50 cents for students and $1.00 for adults. Tickets admitting adults to all tournament games cost $2.00.

ELMS Cagers Host Brazos Next Monday

Eagle Lake Middle School cagers return to action following the holiday break by hosting the boys and girls junior high tournament this weekend. The 8th grade boys open play with East Bernard at 1 p.m. Thursday; the Eagle Lake 7th graders meet Brazos at 3:30; Eagle Lake 7th grade girls tangle with Weimar 8th at 6:00 Thursday; and the 7th grade girls play Brazos 7th at 1 p.m. Friday.

Next Monday, Jan. 10th the 7th and 8th grade boys host Brazos for two games beginning at 5:30. The 7th and 8th grade girls go to Needville for two games beginning at 5:30 Thurs., Jan. 13

Game Needed For Dinner In East B. Feb. 6

All sportsmen interested in the Annual Wild Game Supper coming up Feb. 6, 1977, are reminded to leave their wild game meat at the Smokehouse Market and Grocery in East Bernard.

American Legion Post 226 of East Bernard is again sponsoring the Wild Game Supper. Proceeds go to the East Bernard graduates for scholarships to any college of their choice.

Any type of wild game meat is needed and can be left at the Smokehouse Grocery and Market, but game has to be cleaned and wrapped. Cleaning and skinning will be paid for by the American Legion; contact Justus Urbesh, East Bernard Tribune.

Garwood and Sheridan Cagers Meet This Wed.

The Garwood and Sheridan cagers return to action with boys and girls games in the Garwood gymnasium at 3:30 this Wed., Jan. 5th. This is a change in the schedule since the Garwood boys and girls are in the Eagle Lake tournament this week-end. The Garwood and Sheridan boys and girls will meet in Sheridan Thurs., Jan. 13th at 4:30 p.m.

In the Eagle Lake tournament this week-end, the Garwood 8th grade girls will meet Weimar 7th at 7:15 p.m. this Thursday; the Garwood 7th graders meet Brazos 8th at 2:15 Friday. In the boys play, the Garwood team will tangle with Brazos at 2:15 this Thursday.

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Deer Violations Running High Over This State

While the overall deer harvest is down, the number of game law violations continues at a brisk pace. Game wardens for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department issued nearly 3,000 citations during November for a variety of infractions ranging from hunting deer with dogs to exceeding the bag limit and possessing deer during closed season.

Figures compiled for November, including the opening three weekends of the deer season, show 2,895 citations issued across the state.

Improperly tagged deer lead all deer violations, with 327 cases completed. Second biggest violation was killing or possessing deer during closed season, with 232 cases completed. Trespassing to hunt and night hunting were the third and fourth highest violations noted by wardens.

"Last year's white-tailed deer harvest of 375,000 was about average. We feel this year's harvest will be down somewhat from that figure, but we still expect a good number of deer can be taken if the weather cooperates during the end of the season, said Ted Clark, P&WD wildlife division director.

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Raiders Open Zone Cage Play In Columbia Friday

Boys Lose To 4A Teams Bay City, El Campo

The Rice High School boys basketball team will begin the defense of their zone title in District 13AAA play this Friday when they travel to West Columbia for three games. The freshmen tip off at 4:30 followed by JV and varsity contests.

The Raiders have an open date in district play next Tuesday night when they will meet La Grange in non-conference play in La Grange for 3 games beginning at 5 p.m.

The Raiders return to zone play Friday, Jan. 14th when they host Sweeny for 3 games, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

The varsity takes an 11-6 record into the opening of district play Friday night.

Coaches Jack Grammer and Glen Wallace pitted the Raiders against two Class 4A foes in their final non-conference games, losing all four of the encounters.

Missed Free Throws Hurt

The varsity dropped a close 57 to 54 decision to Bay City Black Cats in Raider gym Dec. 30th, losing the contest on free throws in the final minute of play.

It was a close contest all the way with the score tied in the final minute of play. The Raiders missed a chance to go ahead on a one-one free throw situation, but the Black Cats took advantage of three chances at the free throw line and made all three to win 57 to 54. The Raiders hit on only 10 of 17 free throws and also hit 42% from the field, outshooting the Cats in that department.

David Banks and James Parker each scored 18 and Lonniel Bluntson added 12 and led in rebounds with 10.

The Rice JVs lost to the Black Cats by a score of 53 to 27 with Michael Thomas leading scoring with 13.

Lose In Final Seconds

The Raiders dropped their second close game to a Class 4A foe when El Campo slipped in a field goal with six seconds left to play Tuesday night to edge the Raiders 45 to 43 in a thriller in El Campo gymnasium.

The Raiders led at halftime 29 to 27 and at the end of three periods 37 to 35, and the score was tied right up to the final seconds of play.

Parker led scoring with 12 even though he got into foul trouble early in the game. Banks tallied 11, Bluntson 8, Sammy Flowers 5 and Bobby Turner 4.

The JVs got their highest scoring effort of the season but lost 80 to 57. Keith Sommerlatte led scoring with 23 and Kevin Mackey netted 19.

Freshmen Beat Columbus

The Rice Raider freshmen hosted Columbus Tuesday in Raider gym and won the contest 60 to 50. Craig Wicks led scoring with 19 and Dennis Bluntson scored 13.

BASKETBALL ACTION

Rice Raider Girls: Thurs., Jan. 6, go to Wharton for two games, 5:00 p.m., Jan. 7-8, Freshmen and JVs, Bay City Tournament; Mon., Jan. 10, go to Edna for three games, 5:00 p.m.

Rice Raider Boys: Fri., Jan. 7, go to West Columbia for three games, 4:30 p.m., Jan. 11, go to La Grange for three games, 5:00 p.m.

Eagle Lake Middle School: Jan. 6, 7 and 8th, Eagle Lake Tournament, both boys and girls; Mon., Jan. 10 Boys host Brazos for two games, 5:30 p.m.

SHERIDAN Boys and Girls: go to Garwood for games beginning at 3:30 p.m. this Wed., Jan. 5th.

GARWOOD Boys and Girls: In Eagle Lake tourney, boys meet Brazos 2:15 Thurs., Garwood 8th girls vs. Weimar, 7:15 Thurs. and 7th girls vs. Brazos 8th at 2:15 Friday. Boys and girls host Sheridan at 3:30 this Wed., Jan. 5th.

Read all of the area school news in the Eagle Lake Headlight - 234-2783

WCJC Students Living at Home Add To Economy

Each Wharton County Junior College student pumps $2,000 annually into the local economy by living at home according to WCJC officials speaking last week at a meeting of the Bay City Lions Club.

Students and their parents also save money on a quality education emphasized Dr. Theodore Nicksick, Jr., president of WCJC, who urged voters in Matagorda County and the present WCJC District to endorse the Saturday, January 15 boundary change election that would enlarge the present district for junior college purposes.

WCJC Occupational Education Dean Mitchel Ammons reported that Texas A&M estimates $1,500 is added to the Bryan economy by each Aggie student. There are 361 Matagorda County students enrolled this year at WCJC.

"Each dollar turns over 13 times within a community so you can imagine the favorable impact made by students who choose to attend Wharton County Junior College rather than another college," said Ammons.

Absentee voting for the January 15 election ends January 11 at the Matagorda County County Clerk's Office and at the office of the WCJC President.

Polls January 15 will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Rice Girl Cagers Win Dist. Opener With Columbia

Go To Wharton Thursday Nite

The Rice Raider girls basketball team opened defense of their district title Monday night with a 71 to 49 win over the Columbia girls in the district opener in Raider gymnasium.

The Raiders, coached by Reuben Wunderlich and Fran Mayer, will travel to Wharton for two games beginning at 5:00 p.m., today, Thursday, Jan. 6th. Next Monday, Jan. 10th they go to Edna for 3 games beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The Rice girls JVs and freshmen cagers will be playing in the Bay City tournament this week-end, also.

Win 3 From Columbia

The Raiders made a clean sweep of the three games played with the Columbia girls in Raider gym Monday night.

The freshmen opened with a 27 to 19 win with Cathy Coats scoring 15 and Johnna Griffith 8. The guards were Marie Carter, Sherry Johnson and Julie Criswell.

The JVs came out with a 28 to 26 win with Annette Axel netting 21, Sharon Sims 5 and Sylvia Briscoe 2. Top defensive players were Sandra Flowers, Virginia Garza, Veronica Parker and Roberta Tomchesson.

Jane Dostal had 32, Elisa Keeter 27 and Angel Farrow 10 to lead the varsity to a 71 to 49 win over the Columbia girls successfully opening defense of the district title. Turning in good guard play were Latanya Pratt, Andrea Parker, Glenda Popp, Cynthia Tomchesson and Tammy Walker.

Defeat Yoakum Thursday

In their final non-district outing last Thursday in Yoakum the Raiders won 2 of 3 games. The varsity won a 73 to 42 game with Dostal hitting 34, Keeter 29 and Farrow 6. The JVs lost their game 32 to 26 with Sims scoring 15 and Axel 14. Garza, Tomchesson, Teresa Becak and Jackie Sims were guards.

In the freshman game, the Raiders won 26 to 19 with Coats scoring 12. Lamesa Pratt 8, Tana Mahaffe 4 and Lisa Pranar 2.

Rice JV, Freshman Girls In Bay City Tourney

The Rice Raider girls JV and freshman basketball teams will compete this week-end in the Bay City tournament.

Both teams play at 6 p.m. Friday with the JVs meeting Sweeny and the freshmen playing Wharton freshmen.

BOWLING

SKULL CREEK MIXED

In Skull Creek Mixed League action on Dec. 14th the Woolly Boogers posted high team scores of an 894-2450 series while for individual honors Margie Knippel bowled a 290-242-601 and Butch Schmidt had a 251-598 series.

Other leading scorers were Ben Castillo 213-562, Leroy Janda 532, Ernie Uzzell 200-516, Janet Barten 553, Mano Graham 220-570, Ron Butler 542, Rick Holden 223-529 and Gaynelle Johnson 203. Jenny Tait bowled a 185 game with an average of 90.

The Woolly Boogers hold a wide lead in the league with 46 wins. Following are the Catfish Farmers with 39 1/2, Tuesday Nite Special with 36 and the Goofers 35.

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REFLECTIONS ON International Sunday School Lesson

(Mark 1:4 13)

A college student floated on a cloud of excitement for three days. After being accepted into the graduate school he had selected. Then suddenly he became very depressed. A young mother called all of her friends to share her delight at finding she had a second child on the way. Soon afterward, she experienced a "bad case of the blues." Anyone who has ever thought through his own experiences knows the feeling. Some of the worse emotional downs we experience come soon after an emotional high point. Most people are distressed by this pattern and believe that they should constantly remain on a high emotional level, or at least on a moderately high emotional plateau. This is unrealistic. Ups and downs are a part of the normal pattern of life.

The gospel writers record the beginning of the ministry of Jesus. He came to the banks of the river Jordan where John the Baptizer was teaching. This God-inspired firebrand, was calling people to repentance. Repentance literally means that a person is to do an about face, turning from his sins to God. Jesus came to John and asked to be baptized. John knew that Jesus had no sins to confess and hesitated to baptize him. Jesus indicated that God wanted him to be baptized as an approval of John's ministry and the beginning of his own. After Jesus was baptized, the Spirit of God came on him and God spoke his approval of Jesus and identified Him as His Son. This was a high point in the life of Jesus.

Soon after this experience, Jesus went into the desert region around the Dead Sea. He fasted for forty days. Then He was tempted by the Devil. Mark's gospel does not list the temptations. Luke and Matthew do list them. Satan wanted Jesus to reject obedience to his Heavenly Father. He wanted Jesus to neglect dependence on God's care of him. He offered Jesus personal satisfaction, instant success, and an immediate rise to fame. Most people would find any of these difficult to reject. Jesus depended on the Scriptures he had learned over the years to answer each temptation. His victory over his temptations teaches us that "a person in the weakest possible physical condition, armed with God's word and filled with God's Spirit can be victorious over any temptation."

The fast Jesus underwent was intended to make him more spiritually sensitive. The dramatic beginning of his ministry and his forty days of spiritual sensitivity should have freed Him from any temptation. At least that is the type logic we usually accept. Reality proves to be much different from this speculation. Many spiritual and emotional struggles come immediately on the heels of some of our greatest victories. The mental relaxation we have after a unique accomplishment often makes it easier for a period of depression or temptation to come. When we realize this, and ask God's wisdom and strength for facing the lows as well as enjoying the highs, we will find the key to victory over both depression and temptation.

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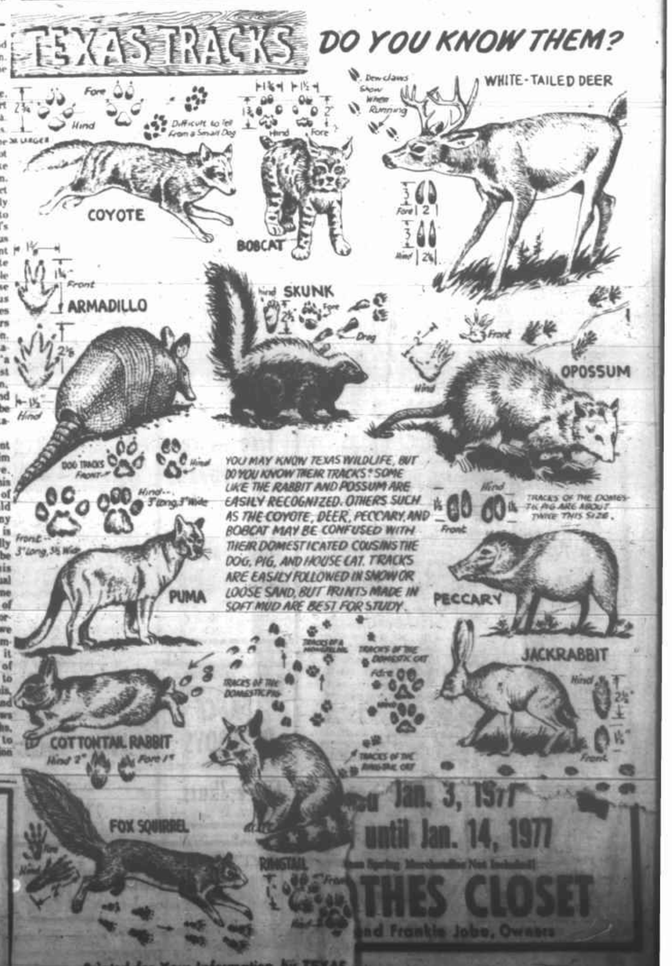
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