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Orientation

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highlight of the program was a tour of the local with a visit to the labor and delivery room areas with a thorough discussion of the equipment used in association with normal childbirth.

Concluding the program was an informal coffee break with an intensive question and answer period by the prospective mothers.

Future programs are being planned. Those obstetrical patients who are preregistered at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital will be receiving invitations to the next scheduled educational program and hospital tour.

R. R. Thomas, M.D., of Eagle Lake and Harold Griffin, M.D. of Columbus, serve as Chief and Vice-Chief of the Hospital Staff respectively.

CROPS TOUR

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two Garwood and Eagle Lake to view corn demonstrations on the Arthur Mahalic and Sons and Kenneth Mahalic farms. Demonstrations at these stops will include a 32 variety corn test, corn disease study, corn fertility test, "N-Serve" study, corn root worm control, and corn rust control test.

The tour will conclude with a barbecue courtesy

of area and local agribusiness firms and seed producers. Wives are welcome to attend.

Please inform the Colorado County Extension Office by no later than Friday, June 22 informing them of your intentions to attend as this is needed in planning the meal arrangements. The telephone number is 732-2892.

The program is jointly sponsored by the Colorado County Crops Committee in cooperation with the County Extension Agent.

Jury Called For

Dist. Court Civil Suits This Wed.

Two civil suits were set to be heard by juries in District Court at Columbus on Wednesday of this week, with Judge E. W. Patteson presiding.

The cases included a damage suit styled Marvin Lange vs. W. T. Richardson; and a wrongful eviction and damage suit styled, Joe N. Castillo and wife Dolores S. Castillo vs. Robert C. Hellring.

Jurors were instructed to report for possible duty on Wednesday morning. It was not known Tuesday which case would be tried first, or if either would definitely be going to trial.

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GOOD TIMES

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Mrs. Ella Marx Rankin Buried Here June 11

Friends regretted to learn of the death of Mrs. Ella Marx Rankin who passed away June 9th, 1979 at her home in Lissie. Funeral services were held from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church on Monday, June 11th at 9:30 a.m. with the Rev. Father Tom Hanus officiating. Interment followed in the Lakeside Cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were nephews David Rollins, Donald Rollins, Wayne Marx, Charles Marx and Don Grissom. Mill-Bauer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Rankin was born February 26, 1923 in Erlsburg, Colorado County, the daughter of Charles Marx and Annie Mai Marx. She resided as a housewife in Lissie during her lifetime. Her husband was Lloyd Rankin.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Billie Henneke of Baytown; three sisters, Mrs. Eltina Heck, Mrs. Tony Sidel and Mrs. Annie Rollins; five brothers, Charles, Harry, Paul, Alfred and Raymond Marx; four grandchildren, Vicky, Billy Ray, Joyce and Joey Henneke; and also a number of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Sympathy is extended to the family in the loss of this loved one.

Last Rites Held June 12 For J. Garcia

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12th at the Rock Island Baptist Church for Joe Garcia, 79, of Rock Island. Mr. Garcia passed away June 9th, 1979 in Silsbee, Texas following seven months of illness. The Rev. Rogelio Rodriguez, pastor of Gethsemani Baptist Mission of Eagle Lake, officiated at the services.

Burial followed in the Myrtle Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were Billy Mayes, Wilbur Henneke, Paul Girindt, Allen Moss, Ernest Moore and Cecil Owens. Mill-Bauer Funeral Home of Eagle Lake was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Garcia was born August 26, 1899 in Cuero.

Agricultural Observations

from TEXAS A&M RESEARCH SITE

EAGLE LAKE 11

4-Inch

Date	Air Temp	2/	Soil Temp	Evap	Rain
Jun 12	85	Min	87	73	.292
13	87	61	88	72	.170
14	90	64	93	74	.399
15	91	64	91	76	.219
16	90	66	95	77	.395
17	91	69	95	78	.383
18	93	70	95	79	.322

1/ In cooperation with National Weather Service & Texas Water Development Board
2/ Sheltered air temperatures

Warm, humid conditions will prevail through Saturday in the Coastal Plains. Showers will be widely scattered through the Rice Belt the next couple of days, but only light rainfall amounts are expected. Southerly winds will moderate the next couple of days but should taper off in the evenings.

In the Rice Belt, showers may interrupt soybean planting and hay cutting, but the chances of rain hitting any one field will remain low. Rice should make rapid growth this week.

Radio Taken, Returned At Austin Grocery

Eagle Lake police department received a call at 9 p.m. Friday, June 15th from the Austin Grocery that a man was seen walking out of the store with a Panasonic radio valued at \$180 without paying for the radio. Patrolman Richard LaCourse answered the call and reported that a witness saw the man leave in a green Maverick.

The department received word the next day that the man, a Mexican male, returned the radio to the store commenting that he was drunk and did not mean to take the radio. Charges had not been filed early this week.

Rock Island News

By Mrs. Norma Frnkla (234-2200)

Jessie Specks Celebrate 65th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Speck celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Father's Day. Those attending the dinner in honor of the Specks were: Mr. and Mrs. Hume Baker of Yorktown, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. DePoe of Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Speck of Columbus, Cherry Burnett of San Marcos, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harvey and son of Pasadena.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Speck and son of Houston, Mrs. Barbara Taylor and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Owens,

7 Drunk Charges

The local officers picked up seven men, all Mexican males, and charged them with being drunk, during the past week-end. Three were arrested Saturday and four Sunday. Each paid a fine of \$28.50 in corporation court.

Mrs. Georgia Adams, manager of the J&D Furniture Store on the corner of McCarty and Main reported to the police department at 2:45 p.m. June 13th that two boys were seen in the area and one fired an air rifle (BB gun) bullet through a window at the store.

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BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

Planning a trip? Better plan ahead for your gasoline needs. There were a lot of people passing through Eagle Lake during the weekend looking for gasoline. It didn't take long for the few stations that were open to use up their supply. Only one station was pumping gas here Sunday morning.

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Odessa Guests

Mr. and Mrs. John Goode of Odessa visited Thursday through Saturday here with Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Frnkla and Mrs. John J. Grigar III and Joseph of Lockhart. The Grigars also visited with their parents and other relatives in East Bernard, Sunday.

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Cave-Off Where Truck Driver Apparently Died



Shown above is the cave-off area on the edge of a gravel pit lake at the Gifford-Hill Gravel Co. near Matthews, between Eagle Lake and Garwood, where a 19-year-old truck driver was apparently killed when the truck he was using to dump overburden from a nearby mine area into the lake, flipped over into about fifty feet of water. Seen in the photo are boats in an effort to locate the body, which still had not been located early Wednesday of this week.

Truck Driver Believed Drowned In Cave-Off At Gravel Pit Lake Thursday

An unusually large cave-off on a bank of a gravel pit lake at the Gifford-Hill Gravel Company location near Matthews, between Eagle Lake and Garwood, apparently claimed the life of the 19-year-old driver of the huge GM Terex dirt mover, last Thursday.

According to information given by other employees of the T. J. Connolly Associates, which has a contract with Gifford-Hill to remove top soil from areas being mined for gravel and sand, the accident occurred shortly after 1 p.m. and happened quite suddenly.

The driver of the truck, Rafael Samaniego, 19, reportedly had backed the large dirt-moving truck and was in the process of backing the truck to dump a load of dirt into the large lake where dredging had already been completed, when suddenly the ground gave way beneath the truck and an area about fifty feet wide began to cave off into the lake.

The truck apparently flipped over onto the top and on impact into the water the windows and windshield of the truck were broken out and the driver is believed to have

Area Dredged

Eagle Lake and Garwood volunteer firemen and State Game Warden Sam Connolly were called to the scene around 1:10 p.m. Johnny Meitens of Eagle Lake, an experienced diver, located the truck and assisted in tying onto the truck in order to raise the truck with the use of a large derrick and two large bulldozers, around 5:30 p.m.

When the body was not found in the truck, boats were used to drag the area,

but to no avail, and the recovery efforts ended around 9 p.m. Thursday.

Friday morning, Game Warden Center and a number of other game wardens from the area, went back to the scene with more boats and equipment in an attempt to recover the body but to no avail.

It was reported that the Connolly company has contracted with a diving company from Houston to continue the search for the body. But late Tuesday all efforts have been unsuccessful. It is presumed that the body of the man is buried in the mud and dirt and recovery will be difficult. Those who were near the scene when the accident occurred and said there was no advance warning of the cave-off.

Catholic Bazaar Sunday At EL Community Center

Members of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and Pastor Father Tom Hanus, of Eagle Lake, invite one and all to attend their annual Church Bazaar to be held this Sunday, July 1st.

The same good food and entertainment will be offered by the Catholics in a new atmosphere, in that the event will be held this year in the air-conditioned Eagle Lake Community Center and on the outdoor pavilion at the rear of the Center, instead of at Diner Hall.

Also numerous activities, including a wide selection of cold drinks, entertainment and an auction have been added this year.

The event will open with a barbecue beef and sausage and trimmings dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Catholics have been known for a long time for their barbecue dinners

An old fashioned auction of a variety of new, unique and antique items will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the hall and you won't miss out on the bidding for some outstanding

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Apply Now For Rice CISD Exemptions

The Rice Consolidated Independent School District announces that all persons are entitled to receive an exemption of \$5,000 from the market value of their residence homestead (\$2,000 from the assessed value) for the purpose of school taxes. In addition, all persons who are 65 or older or under a disability for purposes of payment of disability benefits under Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance are also entitled to an additional exemption of \$10,000 from the market value of their residence homesteads (\$4,000 from the assessed value) for the purpose of school taxes.

To qualify for these exemptions, an application must be filed with the school district tax office by July 15, 1979. An application form is printed elsewhere in this paper. If you have not already signed an application for the above exemptions, please sign the application and mail it to School Tax Office, Box 606, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434, or bring to the school tax office by July 15, 1979.

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Zbranek Sell Arco Station In Garwood

After twenty-six years of serving the community of Garwood and the surrounding areas, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Zbranek have sold their service station, Jerry's Arco Service Station, in Garwood to Kenneth Leopold and Wayne Korenek.

Effective July 1st Leopold and Korenek will operate the station as the Arco Service Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Zbranek express their sincere thanks to all for their patronage while operating the station.

Headlight To Go Out Next Tues. Due To Holiday

Due to the July 4th holiday and the fact that the postoffice will be closed on Wednesday, the Headlight will be published and distributed next week on Tuesday, July 3rd.

The deadline for advertising and for correspondence reports will be at noon on Saturday, June 30th.

Only the very latest current news items will be accepted until 9 a.m. Monday.

Mass Honoring Msgr. Victor Schmidtinsky Sun.

The Parish Family of St. Mary's Church, Neda, cordially invites the public to a Concelebrated High Mass of Thanksgiving honoring their pastor, the Rev. Monsignor Victor G. Schmidtinsky, as Prelate of Honor to His Holiness Pope John Paul II, Sunday, July 1st, at 8:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, with the Most Rev. Hugo M. Gerbermann presiding.

The Mass of Pope John XXIII will be sung by St. Mary's Choir under the direction of Mrs. Joe L. Popp and with Mrs. Clarence Martin presiding at the organ. The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will present a Color Guard. A number of neighboring clergy will be present for the Mass.

Special Blessings: Bishop's Mass at 2:30 p.m. (Continued on last page)

6 Plead Guilty In Criminal Cases

Six persons entered pleas of guilty to criminal charges before District Judge E. W. Patteson Monday and one has been sentenced to a term of not less than two nor more than five years in the Texas Department of Corrections for assault on James Brooks, Jr., at that time a deputy sheriff for Colorado County.

Alfred Don Richardson was sentenced to the prison term for using a handgun to assault Brooks on Mar. 31, 1979. Since that time Brooks has resigned his position with the sheriff's office.

Others pleading guilty and due to be sentenced on August 29th are: James R. Washington, possession of over four ounces of marijuana;

Allan Kales, for the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle owned by J&H Electric Co. June 6, 1979;

Raymond Salazar on a charge of burglary;

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Board Asks Funds In 1980 Budget

Colorado County Commissioners' Court met in special session Monday and received a request for consideration of a \$51,236.00 budget, including \$24,225 in county funds, for use of the County's Child Welfare Board. The board was named by the commissioners' court to assess and meet the needs of foster care children in the county.

Mrs. Gerald (Mary) Reinhardt of Sheridan is chairman of the nine-member board; Mrs. Wilma Hinton of Weimar is secretary; and Mrs. Vernon Wagley is vice-pres. They and Mesdames Nina Burt, Jesse Torres, Leon J. Spaniel, Leslie Heinsohn, Robert Schiuring and Randy Amour comprise the board. All were present for the meeting Monday except for Mrs. Torres and Mr. Amour.

The budget request submitted to the court included: \$23,725 in county funds for foster care placements not eligible for AFDC assistance. It was noted that this would provide for ten children to be placed in foster homes for 365 days or a total of \$650 foster care days at the rate of \$6.50 per day. Also the budget included \$500 from county funds for medical costs, general physical exams, clothes, etc., or a total of \$24,225 from county funds. Also the budget includes a total of \$27,010 from federal funds for foster children eligible for AFDC (Aid to Families With Dependent Children) funds.

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Gasoline Shortage Is Big News These Days

The energy crunch was quite evident here during the past week, with long lines at all service stations doing out the previous liquid early this week. Little, if any gasoline, was to be purchased here Saturday, and none on Sunday. As a result motorists began lining up as early as 5:00 a.m. Monday at service stations expecting gasoline even though most stations did not open until 7:00 a.m. or later.

Local officers report that some traffic problems were created by the long lines, especially at service stations on East Main Street where the lines snarled traffic and created quite a dangerous situation.

Slight Let-Up Tues. Tuesday morning the lines had diminished slightly but there were still long lines at the stations with gasoline and at mid-morning, most of the stations closed once again without fuel.

Although tempers became warm in numerous instances, no reports of any violence were reported here. A pickup truck owned by John Moreno, parked on a lot at the Berger Mobil Service Station, was hit by an unknown vehicle and driver, at around 7:30 a.m. Monday causing an estimated \$200 in damage. Although there were long lines in the area, no one apparently saw the accident. Said Patrolman Clark Mudge who investigated the report and spent much of the day Monday and Tuesday morning assisting in keeping traffic orderly at the service stations.

Odd-Even Rationing? The subject of possibly imposing odd-even gas rationing in this county was brought before the Colorado County Commissioners' Court in session Monday, however, the court took no action on the matter. It was reported by media in Houston that the odd-even system has apparently helped ease the long lines at stations in Houston and other metropolitan areas where the rationing plan was put into effect by Gov. Bill Clements Monday.

County Judge Lester J. Crane said Monday that the Commissioners' Court would have to initiate a move to request Gov. Clements to extend the rationing plan to this county, if it was felt that it was needed to bring about some "semblance and sense" to purchasing gasoline.

Since Columbus and Weimar are on the busy IH-10 highway and catch much traffic from Houston and other areas of the state and nation, it was felt by some of the members of the court that the plan might be needed in this county. However, President & Commissioner Bill Stiles questioned the legality of the plan and said he would oppose such controls under any conditions.

The remainder of the court indicated it would keep an open mind and apparently will favor the plan "if it looks like the people

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Today, Thurs., Final Day For BBQ Tickets

The chamber of commerce reminds once again that this Thurs., June 28th is the final day for purchase of tickets for the July 4th barbecue dinner to be served at the Recreation Center.

Tickets to the event are \$3.00 each and must be purchased in advance. There will be no ticket sale at the noon meal on July 4th.

Field Tour, Program At Rice Exp. Sta. Thursday

Tours begin at 5 p.m. to Gerlow To Present Rice Outlook

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station's rice research unit in Eagle Lake will host its 5th annual Rice-Soybean Field Day and Tour this Thursday, June 28.

Tours of research plots begin at 5 p.m.