Nurses' Area In New Clinic

Tests and immunizations provided by the new Comprehensive State Health Clinic at Columbus will be administered in this nurse's area. Shown above at the left preparing a test for a youngster, with his mother, is Pat Gruesberg, R.N. of the Texas Department of Public Health Region II office in Rosenberg, left, while Mrs. Bernice Richter, R.N. in charge of the new clinic in Columbus, and County Judge Lester J. Cranek look on.

State Health Officials Help Open New Clinic In Columbus

The new comprehensive health clinic on the second floor of the Columbus city hall was officially opened with an open house Monday morning with a number of officials from the Texas Department of Public Health present for the occasion.

The clinic was made possible through the cooperation of Colorado County and the City of Columbus and the Texas Department of Health. The county is providing funds for rental of a three-room suite on the second floor of the Columbus city hall for offices for the new clinic, and also Mrs. Bernice Richter, former County Health Nurse, is the new director of the clinic, having assumed duties under the state program as well as the former functions of the county health nurse.

The State is providing equipment, salaries for personnel and other expenses for the operation of the clinic.

Dr. Nina M. Sisler, director of Public Health Region II for the Texas Department of Health, welcomed all who came for the open house officially opening the clinic. She praised the cooperation of the county and the City of Columbus for making available such wonderful facilities for the clinic.

Dr. Sisler explained that Mrs. Richter will be in charge of the clinic and will supervise a full range of public health services to all citizens of the county.

County Judge Lester J. Cranek and Commissioners Otto Loessin, Rafael Veselka and Bill Stiles, (Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker was unable to attend because of a commitment in district court) took time from their regular meeting Monday morning to attend the open house.

Judge Cranek gave credit to the City of Columbus for making available the space for the clinic at a reasonable cost ($175 per month, utilities included) and praised the work of Mrs. Richter during the time she served as county health nurse and up to the time her position was absorbed under the full-time state health program.

Judge Cranek noted that the clinic will be dedicated to better serve the people who need such services as those offered through the new state clinic.

State Chairman Speaks

Dr. Robert D. Moreton, chairman of the Texas Board of Health, said that the new clinic is designed "to bring to the people of this area the best public health services available." He also extended thanks for the cooperation of all in establishing the clinic.

He added that such clinics help to protect the people of Texas from epidemics and provide services for those who are more susceptible to the ravages of diseases.

Dr. Raymond T. Moore, of Austin, state commissioner for the Texas Department of Public Health, pointed out that such clinics have played a key role in helping to lower the mortality rate among babies from 45 per 1000 new-born youngsters to less than 14.2 out of 1000.

He pledged the support of the state health department in operation of the clinic and urged that local entities continue to work together to provide the best possible health facilities for all persons.

Three Rooms In Clinic

The new clinic has a roomy reception room, a nursing room where tests and immunizations are administered and where the director's office is located; and a well-equipped examining room. The three rooms are easily accesible through a hallway which connects with stairways and also with an elevator from the ground floor.

At the time the county approved the facilities for the new full-time state health nurse, on March 26th, it was noted that Mrs. Richter will continue to carry out all of the duties she formerly had as county health nurse, with the only exception noted at that time being in the testing of grounds for sewer system absorption.

The state clinic will also absorb the services performed previously at Well-Child clinics and for immunizations for pre-schoolers and adults, TB tests and shots which were formerly administered at the Methodist Mission on Prairie Street by state and county personnel.

SHERIDAN NEWS

By Velma Kutzer
(234-3968)

Have Surgery

Howard Criswell is a patient in Caney Valley Hospital where he is recuperating from surgery.

B. J. Burris underwent open heart surgery early Monday morning and is reported doing well. He is in the V.A. hospital in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Toups were in Sheridan last week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Toups.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Reinhardt and sons enjoyed spending most of last week in San Marcos and other parts of the Hill Country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashley and children spent Fri. and Sat. in Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sonntag spent the past weekend in the Hill Country. They went especially to look for a deer lease.

Patricia Botard, Michael Apel Are Married

Patricia Botard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Botard was married August 11, 1979 to Michael Apel of Altair. The small double-ring ceremony was performed at the First Baptist Church of Sheridan with Bro. Williams officiating. A reception was held in Fellowship Hall afterward.

Mrs. Beverly High, sister of the bride, and Lawrence Harris, friend of the groom, were the couples' only attendants.

Guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shaw and Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Birton Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lake and Jill and Jack, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Vawter, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Botard, John, Roscoe, Guyla, Hank Bena, Mrs. Carl Backus, Angie and Hank, Mrs. Penny Cosper and Brianna, Mrs. Lois Vawter, Mrs. Mary Dunn.

Janet Kersh, pianist, provided music for the occasion. The newlyweds will live in Altair.

Swimming Party

Belinda Fuller was honored last week with a swimming party at the local pool, celebrating her 5th birthday. The party was given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Fuller.

Guests were: Mark and Lori Bennett of Yoakum, Heath Heinold, Kristi Myrick, John, Kelly and Heather Bujnoch, Angie Meinar, Tracy Rodriguez, Annie and Darryl Moziek, Roxanne Tesch, Clay Sonntag, Tammie Fuller, Sherry and David Murphy, Tammy Hinze, Jeffrey and Jason Chovanteз, Adrian Garza, Cindy and Gary Fuller, Mike Brinkmeyer of Houston, Joyce Orsak of Schulenburg, Bernice Bennett of Yoakum, Margie Fuller, Becky Rodriguez, Leady Heinold.

Refreshments of birthday cake, sandwiches, potato chips, mints and punch were enjoyed.

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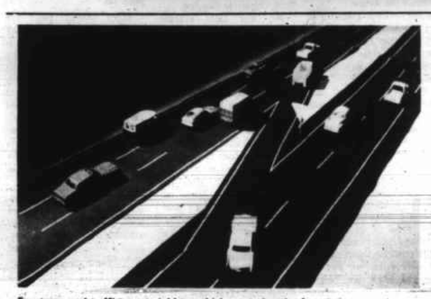

Frontage road traffic must yield to vehicles entering the freeway.

Law Changes Right of Way On Ramps And Frontage Roads

AUSTIN — Texas drivers need to know about an important new law which will seriously affect how they drive on freeway frontage roads.

The change is so important that ignoring it could literally become a matter of life or death.

The law, passed in the recent session of the Texas Legislature, gives traffic entering or leaving freeway ramps the right of way over frontage road traffic.

It was signed by the governor on June 11, and becomes effective August 27.

It reads in part:

"The driver of a vehicle proceeding on an access or feeder road of a controlled access highway shall yield the right of way to a vehicle entering or about to enter or leaving or about to leave the road to enter the highway."

Many ramps on Texas highways already are arranged that way, and YIELD and other signs are in place on the frontage roads for this kind of operation.

Other places where ramps and frontage roads meet, however, are not. There, the signs presently are arranged to require the ramp traffic to yield.

The situation is especially critical where the frontage road carries traffic in both directions. Ramp traffic both entering and leaving the freeway crosses opposing streams of traffic on the frontage road.

The wise motorist should be alert for any changes in signs on the frontage road he may drive regularly and should be aware that all ramp traffic will legally have the right of way over frontage road traffic later this summer.

He should also be aware when using freeway ramps that other drivers may not be aware of this law change and may overlook the new signs.

On two-way roads, both lanes of traffic yield to vehicles using the exit ramp.

Martha S.S. Class Meets In Cassady Home

The Martha Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met Monday night, Aug. 6 at the home of Mrs. Dale Cassady, with 12 members and associate members present.

Mrs. Herman Boothe opened the meeting and led in the discussion of various projects with which the class is involved. It was decided to continue contributing financially to the kindergarten which meets at the church, the Friday night youth meetings at the Gethsemani Baptist Mission, and to a monthly love gift to Gerry Odom who is currently studying at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

Several cards were signed to mail to hospitalized and shut-in friends.

Mrs. Cassady led a most thought-provoking devotion on "Prayer". She used several scripture passages from the books of Mark, Luke, John and James as she discussed attitudes of prayer and acceptance of God's answer to prayer.

Delicious refreshments of fresh fruit salad with poppy seed dressing, assorted crackers, bon-bons, coffee and tea were served by Mrs. Cassady with Mrs. Frank Davidson assisting.

Rock Island News

By Mrs. Norma Frnka
(234-2200)

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Moss over the past weekend were Bob Moss and boys of Galveston, Sue and Noelle Spann and Richard Holt, all of Victoria and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Townsend from New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Waits and Eric and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hooper and daughter, Sharon Denise, spent the past weekend visiting with Mrs. Earl Waits and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hooper and family.

Birthday Party

Shannon Owers was honored with a swimming party on his 9th birthday Aug. 12 in Sheridan by his parents, Doris and Lonnie Owers.

About forty-two guests enjoyed swimming and refreshments consisting of cake, sandwiches, chips, pickles, chocolate pie and punch.

Mrs. Norman Hooper, Mrs. Earl Waits and Mrs. Norma Frnka returned home after visiting friends and relatives for several days in Lafayette, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. David Glaseo and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Meyer, all of Temple and Joe Waligura enjoyed visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Mueller.

Honored At BBQ

Carl Milentz and Laurel Anderson were honored with a barbecue supper and pantry shower on Aug. 4th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Owers. About thirty guests were present.

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Good News, Bad News and Surprises For Legislature

AUSTIN—The results of *Texas Monthly* poll on Gov. Bill Clements and the Texas Legislature are in: they include good news, bad news and one real surprise.

The good news, at least for the Governor, is that over 60 percent of the persons interviewed believe Clements was effective in influencing the Legislature and the federal government. Almost 49 percent rated Clements as "good or very good" overall.

The bad news, at least for the lawmakers, is that only about 40 percent of the respondents rated the Legislature as "good or very good." Even Speaker Bill Clayton did better than his House colleagues, receiving 50 percent approval for his leadership, while Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby was thought to be "very good" by about 46 percent.

The surprise? When asked what issues should be brought up in a special session, voters overwhelmingly preferred "energy." The much-mentioned issues such as initiative and referendum, presidential primary, and more tax reduction did not even score in the double digits, while energy was thought important by 50 percent of those questioned.

Kubiak: More Energy

Will energy be included in the Governor's promised special session in 1980? State Rep. Dan Kubiak advocate of gasohol and other alternative energies, asked Clements to include "rapid development of alternative energy" at a press conference in June. The Rockdale legislator said he has received "encouragement but no commitment from the Governor's Office on the issue."

The poll also showed:

—Most Texans, 64 percent, prefer a "same day" presidential preference primary.

—Over 50 percent of the voters disapprove of the actions of the 12 state senators called the "Killer Bees" who fled the Senate to defeat a separate primary bill.

—A majority of Texans, 54 percent, feel a consumer should not be able to sue a seller for more than a defective product costs, thought by some to indicate voter approval of recent amendments to the Consumer Protection Act.

—A whopping 76 percent disapprove of the recently-passed law increasing home mortgage loan rates.

—Sixty-two percent favor initiative and referendum powers for voters.

The recent 5.1 percent pay hike for teachers was thought to be too low by 54 percent of the respondents.

White Criticizes Wiretapping

Clements' wish to include a broadened wiretapping bill in the special session received a rap last week from the state's top attorney.

Texas Attorney General Mark White issued a detailed and negative critique of Clements' plan to legalize wiretaps, saying it "poses serious potential for abuse of Texas citizens' civil liberties."

White said the proposal does not require actual surveillance to be conducted by a certified law enforcement officer, an oversight he fears "represents a real threat for potential abuse."

White's criticisms were made in a letter to State Rep. Lynn Nabers, chairman of the House Criminal Jurisprudence Committee now studying the wiretapping bill.

The Speaker's Race

While Speaker Clayton appears to be getting no opposition en route to an unprecedented fourth term as head of the House, several representatives are already tossing their hats into the ring for the 1983 race, when Clayton says he will step down.

Last week Rep. Jerry Donaldson of Gatesville and Rep. John Bryant of Dallas, both Democrats, filed campaign reports for Clayton's seat with secretary of state's office. Donaldson is highly regarded as a member of the "speaker's team" while Bryant is equally well thought of as leader of the "loyal opposition."

Other representatives with campaign reports already filed are Tom Uher of Bay City and John Wilson of La Grange.

Food Stamp Dining

A new twist is being tried on food stamps: a six-month experiment letting senior citizens use their food stamps in restaurants.

The experiment begins Oct. 1 in three Texas cities: Houston-Galveston, Austin and Abilene.

To contract for the Senior Dine Out program, a restaurant must offer balanced, nutritious meals at no more than $2.50 and cannot specialize in take-out service. If the plan works, it will be expanded to the rest of the state.

State welfare officials withheld for several months a report citing numerous violations at a child-care center operated by Dallas Rep. Clay Smothers, it was reported last week.

Smothers confirmed he had asked a human resources department official this spring to delay the report until the legislation session ended. He and other legislators were considering the department's budget at the time the request was made.

EGYPT NEWS

(Mrs. B. H. Tolliver)

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Allen and family of Deer Park spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krenek.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bowie of Cedar Lane were Sunday guests of their cousin, F. B. Duncan.

Mrs. Will Meriwether spent the weekend with her sister, Miss Adelaide Reese, in Tehuacana.

The Rev. Ron Winkler of Victoria gave the Sunday morning service at the Bonus Baptist Church. He was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Heynie Domgoole.

The Prayer Service of Bonus Church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Peikert Thursday evening.

Mrs. Olive D. Hershey returned home last Wednesday from a vacation trip to Cape Cod.

Mark Krenek was pleasantly surprised last Thursday when Tom Connors of Shipman, Ill., stopped by to see him. The boys had met at the F.F.A. convention in Kansas City, Mo. With his mother, father, and sister, he had been to Houston, and were enroute to San Antonio before returning to their home.

John and Sean Dobson of Ardmore, Okla. are the guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dobson, this week.

J. C. Malone spent Sunday night in Richmond with his nephew, the Rev. John Derr. On Monday they went to Quitman to attend a family reunion. Mr. Malone was born and reared in Quitman, and was living there when he moved to Egypt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peikert and small son of Bay City spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Peikert.

Celebrates Birthday

George H. Northington V, (Butch) celebrated his fifth birthday last Tuesday, and celebrated birthday honors Saturday evening at the Northington Lodge with his little cousin, Paula Northington, who was one year old that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Duncan of San Antonio and their son, Cam, of Washington, D. C. spent Tuesday with their father and grandfather, F. B. Duncan.

Canasta Club

The Canasta Club enjoyed a pleasant afternoon last Thursday with Mrs. G. M. Longmire, when she had three tables of players at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Heyne Domgoole. High, low, and guest scores went to Mesdames Carter, Kaas, and Abel. Delicious salad and sweet course were served after the games.

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Soybean, Rice Clinics Here, Garwood Tues.

[By Leroy J. Hajdik, County Extension Agent]

Soybean and rice producers will have an opportunity to quiz the experts on their soybean and rice production problems during either of two soybean and rice production clinics scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 1979.

The clinics will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the American Rice, Inc. office at Garwood and at 2:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Eagle Lake City Hall.

Producers are encouraged to bring specimen of their problem soybean, rice, and weed plants for corrective measure recommendations, said County Extension Agent Leroy J. Hajdik.

Assisting the county extension agent with the clinic will be Drs. Arlen Klosterboer, Area Extension Agronomist, Walter Walls, Extension Plant Pathologist, and Jim Stansel, Scientist-in-Charge of the TAMU Research Station at Eagle Lake.

The clinics are sponsored by the Colorado County Rice and Soybean Committee in cooperation with the County Extension Service.

Rice Budget

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$1.48 in 1978, but loss of some $8 Million in tax valuations, increased costs of operation, added exemptions under new tax legislation, and staff and teacher salary increases and increased debt requirements because of the $825,000 bond issue approved for Eagle Lake Middle School improvements, the increase in the 1979 tax rate was necessary.

Balas asked Krivacka how much of the losses in revenue from increased exemptions would be made up by the state and the former superintendent estimated that less than 30% of the loss in revenue from the exemptions will be made up in additional state aid.

At the budget hearing that followed the tax rate hearing, the board discussed the big increase in the 1979-80 budget over the 1978-79 budget of $2,767,415 and it was explained that the budget for 1979-80 includes funds for the $825,000 improvement program at ELMS and for purchase of the computer, both one-time items.

Budget Comparisons

Krivacka gave a comparison of the two budgets showing that expenditures in 1978-79 were $2,767,415 and anticipated expenditures in 1979-80 are $3,940,083. Revenue in 1978-79 was $3,640,327 (including $825,000 for the bond issue) and the 1979-80 revenue is anticipated at $3,945,945 which includes $803,372 carryover from the bond issue and $50,000 interest expected to be earned on the issue prior to its use, and $50,000 from sale of warrants (if needed) for the new computer.

The local maintenance tax rate of $1.29 brought in $1,268,271 in 1978-79 and the new $1.48 rate in 1979-80 is expected to bring in only $33,729 more or $1,302,000 due to the decrease of some $8,000,000 in valuations due primarily to reduced oil and gas valuations.

Budget Amendments

Business manager Roy Marshall presented to the board, 1978-79 budget amendments which increased local revenue from $1,340,082 to $1,381,272 but state revenue was down from $1,056,552 to $1,049,313. Total revenue was up from $2,397,134 to $2,430,860 or a net increase of $33,726 over the anticipated revenue on Sept. 1, 1978.

Expenditures were estimated at $2,398,737 on Sept. 1, 1978 but estimated expenditures on Aug. 31, 1979 were $2,372,384 or $26,353 less than anticipated.

He noted that these amendments in effect will add a total of $60,079 to the district's cash reserves. The district had on hand as a cash balance Sept. 1, 1978, $237,900 and the addition of the surplus $60,079 from 1978-79 will increase the reserves to $297,979. It was pointed out that this will be about enough to take care of the first month's operation in 1979-80. Marshall and Krivacka both stated that the desirable reserve is one that permits two months of operation so that expenditures can be paid without borrowing funds before the new tax collecting period begins in October.

The board unanimously approved the amendments to the 1978-79 budget and also approved the 1979-80 budget as submitted. (A full discussion on the budget appeared in this paper last week). Copies of the budget are on file in the administration office at Rice High School for public viewing.

Also present for the tax and budget hearings for offering no comments were county members Helen Craig and Al Beasley and other Fred R. Franka.

Ambulance Insurance Costs Doubled

Insurance for the equipment and on volunteers manning the four volunteer units of the County Emergency Ambulance Corps in this county increased almost double over the past year, members of the Commissioners' Court learned when a bid was opened at the session Monday.

The court had asked for bids for insurance coverage on the four ambulances operating in this county and for coverage for the 115-120 volunteers and only the current insurer, Columbus Insurance Agency, offered a bid. Judge Lester J. Cranek said that proposals were sent out to at least a dozen insurance agents in the county but apparently the coverage required is hard to get.

The court received a bid of $7090.00 for auto liability, fire, theft, etc. and collision, with a $500 deductible plan. Last year's coverage, except that this year three new chassis are included in the coverage, was $5370.

Volunteer $15,000 medical and $20,000 death coverage and $100 week disability and $50 week disability for lifetime, was quoted at $5,023.30 as compared to $1316 last year. The total this year will be $12,113.30 as compared to $6696 in the contract approved in August of 1978.

It was noted by Doug Lilie, representing Columbus Insurance Agency, that a total of $3290 in claims were paid out during the past year, and one minor claim is still pending. This was the first time that the county has had claims for injury to volunteers and the increase in the coverage on the volunteers was attributed in large part to this fact.

Lunch Prices

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the fact that the proposed schedule will still leave the cafeteria operation $12,000 short and contended that he did not like the idea of approving a deficit budget for the cafeteria.

Mr. DeShazo commented that Mrs. Mabel Franklin, director of Food Services for the district, who was present for the discussion, plans to work toward an even more efficient organization and through increased rates at the snack bar in the high school and in vendor machines, some of the deficit may be erased.

Board member Lavo Brisco noted that the cafeteria operation has in the past operated at a profit, and a surplus has been built up and deficit funds could come from that surplus.

Mrs. Franklin stressed that the quality and quantity of the foods prepared for the school lunches will not be reduced in any way by the deficit budget.

DeShazo presented a report showing that the lunch room prices charged by the district are some of the lowest in the area and will continue to be so after the new rates go into effect.

The board approved the new lunch price schedule with Balas voting against the proposal.

The board also approved new guidelines for the 1979-80 year as required under the federal assistance program for free and reduced lunches in the Rice District. A full copy of these guidelines will be published in next week's Headlight.

Acting Supt.'s Report

Acting Supt. DeShazo reported to the board that he has received verbal approval for expenditure of Title I funds and tests now required under the program have been ordered.

The board authorized the new superintendent, Harold D. King, to contact the county about the possibility of designating the road looping around Rice High School as a county road in order that the county could take over maintenance of the road. It was indicated that Precinct 1 Commissioner Otto Loessin was agreeable to this if the legality can be worked out.

Bus Repair Facility

Lavo Brisco reported for a committee of himself and Billy Hefner on a meeting with the Vocational Agriculture advisory board about the possibility of using the show barn for a bus repair facility. Plans were shown for the possibility of adding to the east side of the building, but when costs were estimated at $50,000 it was decided to delay consideration of the proposal for the present. The board authorized Supt. King to continue looking into the possibility of getting a gasoline storage tank in the Rice High School area.

The board named Mrs. Jane Clipson, board president, and Ted Wiese, vice-president, as delegate and alternate to the Texas Association of School Boards convention.

96.44% State County Taxes Collected

Colorado County Tax Assessor and Collector Henry J. Hajovsky reports current tax collections for the 1978 tax year, through June 30, were $1,230,191.97. Also the office collected a total of $26,301.13 in delinquent taxes.

The office collected just over 96% of the total state, county, county additional ad valorem and Colorado County Water District 2 (Garwood) rolls and 92.86% of the Weimar school district roll.

The total state tax roll in this county for 1978 taxes amounted to $90,222.06 and the office collected $86,998.60 or 96.42%. The county roll totalled $572,344.20 and collections amounted to $552,050.20 or 96.45%; and the county additional ad valorem roll was $270,666.28 and collections were $260,995.75 or 96.42%. The total of these three tax rolls amounted to $933,232.57 and collections were $900,044.55 or 96.44%.

The Weimar school district tax roll was $339,455.14 and of that $315,199.85 or 92.86% was collected; and the Garwood water district total roll amounted to $15,507.87 and 96.39% or $14,947.57 was collected.

Delinquent Rolls

The officer's report on June 30th indicated that a total of $19,547.36 was delinquent on the state, county and county ad additional ad valorem rolls for land properties; and another $7,034.40 on the three rolls for delinquent personal properties. The report also listed a total of $5,140.94 in errors, and $3,209.87 in supplemental additions.

The office collected a total of $5,041.22 in delinquent state taxes and $21,259.91 in delinquent county taxes for the same period ending June 30th.

Miss Koebelen Honored At Bridal Events

Thelma Jane Koebelen, bride-elect of Norman Clark Peterson, was honored with a miscellaneous shower the evening of August 10 at the Sheridan Community Center in Sheridan.

Hostesses for the occasion were Lois Vawter, Alice Hinze, Vera Tesch, Tricia Walker, Josey Unkel, Joyce Miller, Ora Criswell, Denise Hagendorf, Irene Hagendorf, and Zelda Walker.

Upon her arrival, the bride-elect was presented with a corsage of yellow silk carnations. The honoree's mother, Mrs. Otis Koebelen, and the groom's mother, Mrs. Q. M. Peterson, were also presented with corsages of yellow silk carnations.

Mrs. Vera Tesch served the punch and Mrs. Lois Vawter served the German chocolate cake.

Refreshments of nuts, mints, finger sandwiches, and German chocolate cake with pineapple sherbet punch were served.

Refreshment tables were decorated with white tablecloths and accented with an arrangement of yellow daisies, also gold candle holders with yellow candles. Register table was decorated with white tablecloth and accented with the bride's book, a plume pen and a small green plant. The gift table was decorated with a lace tablecloth.

Special guests at the occasion were the bride's mother, Mrs. Otis A. Koebelen of Boling; Miss Christine Koebelen, the bride's sister of Magnolia; and Miss Wanda Koebelen, bride's sister of Boling.

The hostesses presented the bride with a Farberware stainless steel automatic coffeemaker.

Rice Bag Party

Miss Koebelen was honored with a rice bag party August 5, 1979 at 2:00 p.m.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Melissa Miller, Miss Liz Somers, and Miss Sue Whitbey.

After arriving everyone gathered around to make rice bags for the honoree's wedding.

Refreshments of finger sandwiches, chips and dips, cookies and Cokes were served.

Refreshment table was decorated with green linen cloth and the centerpiece was a silver 3 votive light candelabra with white carnations.

The hostesses presented the bride with a Proctor-Silex 2-Slice Toaster.

$12.02 Cwt. Top Bid For 1979 Rice Here Last Wk.

Bids Range From $11.41-$12.02, Quality Is Good

The Eagle Lake office of the American Rice Growers Cooperative Association held its first sale of 1979 rice on Wednesday of last week and the top bid of the day was $12.02 hundredweight offered by Lindsey Mill for LaBelle rice grown by M. C. Theumann and Wintermann and Co. The lot milled 64-70 No. 1 and had a loan value of $8.14 cwt.

A total of fourteen lots of LaBelle rice were up for bids and six of the 14 were confirmed sales, according to Donald Obenhaus, manager of the local office.

Quality of the early rice appears to be good, noted Doyle Waldrop, grader at the local rice office. Nine of the 14 lots were No. 1 rice, four No. 2 and 1 graded No. 4.

The bids ranged from the high of $12.02 cwt. to $11.41 offered for the lot of No. 4 grade rice. Milling ran from the high of 64 to 58 whole grains.

The $12.02 cwt. is considerably above the $8.95 cwt. high bid at the opening sale of the 1978 season.

The average on the bids offered last week was $11.67.

Chocolate Bayou T.R.P. was the top buyer at the sale last week, offering high bids on 10 of the lots, while Lindsey was high on the other four. Moore, P&S, West Texas, Euryza Food, Cotra, Inc. also offered bids; Elco, Riviana and Uncle Ben passed on offering bids at the first sale.

Final Rites Held For Edgar Adkins

Edgar DeWayne Adkins, a life long resident of the Eagle Lake area and a prominent rice farmer and cattleman, passed away in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital from a massive heart attack at 12:10 a.m. Wednesday, August 8, bringing great sadness to his family and friends in the area. He had previously suffered a slight heart attack on May 31st.

Funeral services were held from the Lissie United Methodist Church Friday, August 10 at 10 a.m. followed by interment in the Lissie Cemetery. The Rev. William Courvillion, pastor of the Lissie Church, officiated.

Organ music was provided by Jerold Higgins. Serving as pallbearers were Lloyd Spalinger, Charles L. Spalinger, Allen D. Cassady, Jimmy Adkins, Robert Adkins and Jay Anderson.

Mr. Adkins was born September 26, 1909 near Chesterville. His parents were Grace and J. W. Adkins. He resided in the Eagle Lake area all of his life and in the city of Eagle Lake since 1941.

On August 28, 1932, he was united in marriage with Miss Alice Marie Weaver in the Hartsville Church of Christ near Wallis.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, June Pirtle of Eagle Lake and Gracie Self of Columbus; a son, John of Eagle Lake; eight grandchildren; one brother, James L. Adkins of Lissie; and a number of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

The deceased was a member of the Lissie United Methodist Church where he was a trustee for over twenty years; a member of the American Rice Incorporated and the American Rice Growers Association of which he served as president for one year.

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

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