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Uzzell

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well as developing production of rice, maize, corn and other grains.

The new Dallas office, one of five being opened by the company owned predominately by Arab interests, will be located in the World Trade Center.

The agricultural development program is expected to be extended to seventeen Arab countries and has great possibilities, commented Uzzell. He said that for the present he will be commuting to Eagle Lake until the family's home on Melody Lane can be sold.

"We hate to leave such a fine community as Eagle Lake," said Mr. Uzzell, "and we extend our heartfelt thanks to all for their cooperation and patronage, during the past thirty years. The potential offered by this new position is just too much to pass up."

Friends in the community will regret to learn that this fine family will be leaving Eagle Lake. They have been active members of the United Methodist Church and in many other community activities. Mrs. Uzzell owned several businesses here in years past.

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Elmer Struss that a community-wide reunion be held for classes of the former Eagle Lake High School and E. H. Henry High School. The proposal was referred to the meeting Monday, but directors showed little interest in discussing the proposal, so the issue was tabled again for the present time.

T. J. Smith reported that the Eagle Lake float will be going to the Las Patrias observance in Houston under sponsorship of MAYC, and to the Gonzales celebration, both in September and will participate in the Eagle Lake Lions Club parade Oct. 6th.

Santa's Visit Dec. 15th

The directors also set the date for Santa Claus' annual visit to the community as Dec. 15th and decided that plans will be made for him to come to the community by helicopter. Last year he was brought here by fire truck after having appeared for a number of previous years by helicopter.

The board also authorized the Christmas lighting and decorations committee to purchase an estimated $175 worth of bulbs to replace burned-out bulbs in the downtown decorations.

Attending the meeting Monday were directors Alvin Kohleffel, Bob McInteer, Susan Causey, Brock Ashby, Vance Duncan, Bill Harrison, Jr., Dr. Rose Marie Roquemore; also Joe Duncan, T. J. Smith, Fred R. Fraka and secretary Dorothy Jones.

CPL Sues For Damages To Pole In Nov. Wreck

A suit was filed in District Court in Columbus Aug. 16th by Central Power and Light Co. against Truckers, Inc. of Stafford and Durwood Edward Erwin of East Bernard seeking to collect damages to a pole and attachments as the result of a wreck Nov. 28, 1978.

CPL says in the petition that one of the company's poles was clipped off by a vehicle owned by Trucker's but driven by Erwin three miles east of Eagle Lake.

The company alleges replacement of the pole and damage to attachments amounted to $1,446.05 (the cost of returning the pole and attachments to proper condition) and asks for judgment in that amount plus costs of suit.

City Council

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purchase a new lift pump, as soon as possible, to carry water and sewage to the city's water treatment plant.

It was noted that two pumps located on Lake Street were functioning below par and the new pump will replace one of those, while another new pump, on order, will be used to replace the other. The city plans to keep one of the old units as a back-up.

Heritage House Drainage

In other action last week, the council heard a request from Heritage House Director Dr. Raymond R. Thomas to review the possibility of flooding in the area around the nursing home. No flooding has occurred in that area, but with the Austin Road construction and other factors, some clogging of ditches would hamper the flow of water from the area, it was reported.

Lease Copying Machine

The council also approved the leasing of a new 3-M copying machine in the city office at the Municipal Building. The city manager noted that the new machine would provide better overall service and would save the city about 3c per copy.

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Improved Public Relations Stressed At RCISD Assembly

23 Get Rice CISD Service Pins At Assembly Tues.

Twenty-three persons received Rice Consolidated Independent School District service pins at the annual assembly of all school personnel at the Rice High School Commons on the opening of four days of inservice training Tuesday.

Board member Steve Balas announced recipients of the pins (actual arrival of the pins was delayed and they will be presented later). The service pins are presented by Rice District in increments of five years.

Those receiving pins this year will be: 5-years: Ronel Roberts, Carol Ripper, Karolyn Foster, Martha Sibley, Sallie Schuenemann, Suzanne Ramirez and Dorine Sue Johnson;

Ten years: Bill Carpenter, Ruby Darnell, A. D. Fudge, Jesusa Rodriguez, Ruby Williams, Mary Faichtinger and Betty Brown;

Fifteen years: Henrietta Krenek, Lupe Saucedo, Marie Argo, Helen Craig, Sidney Frey and Fred Grahmann;

And twenty years: Isaac Berry, Lillian Gohlke and Betty Wegenhoft.

Earlier in the program, Mrs. Jim (Jane) Clipson, Jr., president of the board, told the gathering that "we do appreciate all of you who choose to remain in the district this year. You are the backbone of our school. There just isn't an adequate substitute for experience and familiarity."

She commented that the poll brought out that 59% of the youth polled believed that their public schools are good, rating A or B while 36% of the adult public in a 1978 Gallup poll rated their children's education A or B. "Academic excellence should be a goal of our schools, but we can reach this goal only if students feel good about themselves and their schools. I think we are headed in the right direction", said the board president.

She added that two-thirds of the students did not find their teachers apathetic; 50% of those polled felt that they were not irresponsible but were not being worked hard enough in the schools.

The fourth fallacy brought out in the survey was that 78% majority of teenagers expressed the opinion that America is still the land of opportunity.

Changes suggested by the article included: make schools more challenging; and communicate better with the public.

She told the teachers and administrators, "we welcome your input through your principal, superintendent or directly. . because we are concerned about improving staff relations."

New Supt. Introduced

Mrs. Clipson told about the long process which the board just underwent in finding a new superintendent for the district. "In Harold D. King, I am satisfied that we have selected the right person for the job."

The new superintendent expressed appreciation to the teachers for selecting Rice as a place to teach, and added that he looked at his tenure in the Rice District as an opportunity. "I hope that the Rice District will grow and that I can grow with you."

Supt. King stressed to the teachers that they should be proud of the fact that they are teachers. He urged them to develop personal relationships with other teachers, with parents and students. He urged them to recognize the value of another's opinion.

He reminded the teachers, "Never lose sight of the fact that everybody's child is important."

He challenged the school personnel, "Are you ready to assume the roles of leadership expected from a classroom teacher? He urged the teachers to "lead . not be led."

The new superintendent urged the teachers to "be confident. .sell yourself. .put some imagination into your instruction. . see if you can come up with a better idea."

Finally he urged them to become involved in the things that will help to become better professionals and teachers.

In closing he told the group "feel free to say what you wish, we won't put words in your mouth." He pledged support of the administration but admonished them "Not to keep any skeletons in your closet. Let's be open and above board in all our relationships."

Avg. Age Is 36.5 Years

Assistant Supt. Charles W. DeShazo was moderator for the program and he opened with remarks of welcome to the 109 faculty members, thirty of which are new to the Rice District this year. DeShazo cited some statistics which revealed that the average age of a teacher in the Rice District is 36.5 years and each has an average of 9.9 years of teaching; and 35% have a master's degree or better.

"I believe we have assembled a well-trained and experienced faculty but still young enough to be enthusiastic."

Vera Brown Is Honored

Mrs. Vera G. Brown, Reading Supervisor in the Rice CISD for many years, elected to accept retirement at the close of the 1978-79 year after forty-one dedicated years of service to the youth of the Rice District and the State of Texas. At an assembly of Rice CISD personnel Tuesday, Mrs. Brown was recognized for her work in the district and her expertise in the field of reading as recognized throughout the state and nation. Mrs. Brown, shown at right, was presented a plaque in appreciation of these forty-one years of service, by former Rice CISD superintendent E. A. Krivacka, left. Krivacka praised Mrs. Brown for her expertise and noted that her talents have multiplied many times through her instruction of the youth of this district and the state. Her husband, Clyde Brown, was also present to join his wife in receiving just accolades for her many years in public education.

PP&K Registration Is Underway At J. F. Miller Ford

J. F. Miller Ford, Inc. of Eagle Lake, announces that registration for the 1979 Punt, Pass & Kick competition is underway and all youth between the ages of 8 and 13 are eligible to compete.

The competition will be held on Sept. 29 with Sept. 28 the last day to register. Contestants must register on official entry forms at J. F. Miller Ford and must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian to countersign the official entry.

Bill Appelt, local director for the competition, invites the kids to come by and register now and pick up a handy tips booklet to improve their techniques.

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Rice Prices Down Some Last Week

Prices offered for 1979 first crop rice at the Eagle Lake office of the American Rice Growers Cooperative Association were down slightly last week and only six of fifteen lots up for bids were confirmed sales.

Top bid offered last week (Wednesday) was $11.48 per hundredweight as compared to the top bid of $12.02 per cwt. the week before.

The top bid of the day was offered by West Indies for a lot of LaBelle rice grown by Waddell Bros. The lot milled 61-70 and graded No. 2 and had loan value of $7.78. Bids on thirteen other lots ranged in the $11 per cwt. range, but one, ungraded, brought only $8.77.

Six mills offered bids, but the major buyers, Comet, P&S, Riviana and Uncle Ben's passed on the bidding.

The Eagle Lake office plans to have another sale on Wednesday of this week with around 20 lots going up for bids.

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Courthouse Restoration Bids To Be Opened Sept. 14th

Also To Issue $800,000 In Cert. of Obligation

Colorado County Commissioners' Court in special session Monday, voted on a split 3-1 vote to proceed with plans for opening bids for the courthouse restoration program at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 14th and at the same time authorized publication of an intent to issue certificates of obligation in the three newspapers in this county.

Bids for the courthouse restoration program will be opened Sept. 14th; however, it is anticipated that the contract will not be awarded until Sept. 24th. This will allow the architect Arthur J. Willrodt and Associates of Columbus and members of the court ample time to study the bids and to select the best alternatives. County Judge Lester J. Cranek noted Monday morning that there will be numerous alternatives in the bidding, which will enable the county to select those which fall within the proposed $800,000 budget.

Contract documents are available from the office of the project director, Arthur J. Willrodt and Associates in Columbus. The bid notice allows the county thirty days in which to issue a contract once the bids are opened.

Certificates of Obligation

In the same notice, which is published in entirety on page nine of this issue, the Commissioners' Court issues notice it plans to issue certificates of obligation in the maximum amount of $800,000 bearing an interest rate not to exceed legal requirements, and over a period not to exceed forty years.

Formal adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of the certificates is expected at the meeting at 10 a.m. on Fri., Sept. 14th.

Judge Cranek noted that the $800,000 maximum is $50,000 more than the county had orginally planned, but he pointed out that the county would issue only those certificates necessary to complete the courthouse restoration and the bids might be such that the county would have to issue only a portion of the certificates.

Judge Cranek said that in the event the $750,000 limit would be short (the last estimate from the project director was $753,000), it would take considerable time to go through the process of issuing additional certificates of obligation.

Ten cents of the current 34c county ad valorem tax is earmarked for the courthouse restoration and jailhouse restoration programs.

Stiles Votes No

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles, who has voted consistently against the issuance of certificates of obligation and for motions to carry out the restoration program on such a large scale, cast the negative vote on the motion to advertise for bids and to give notice of intent to issue certificates of obligation. The other three commissioners, Otto Loessin, Rafael Veselka and Crockett Leyendecker voted for placing the notices in the three papers in this county.

After the meeting was concluded Stiles pointed out to newsmen that under state statutes, five percent of the qualified voters in the county (5% of a total of 8317 or 416) could petition the commissioners' court to call a referendum election on whether or not to issue the certificates of obligation.

The petition would have to be submitted to the commissioners' court within two weeks of the publication of the legal notices, which appear in the August 30th issue in the papers in this county.

He said that he has been asking for the orders to be published for some time in order to give more time for such petitions, if there are to be any, but the publications have been delayed to the present date, "almost too late for anyone to do anything about it if they wanted to," he stated to publishers Fred Fraka and Buddy Tobar of Weimar.

Sulphur Pit Fire At Orchard Sat. Causes Some Evacuation

Residents of the area experienced some anxious moments last Saturday morning when a cloud of sulphurous smoke emitting from a fire at an abandoned sulphur pit near Orchard forced evacuation of the Orchard and Tavener communities and a portion of East Bernard.

Fort Bend County sheriff's office asked residents of Orchard and Tavener to leave their homes until the smoke cleared away, and the same action was taken by the Wharton County sheriff's department in the northern portion of East Bernard.

Highways through the area were closed for a time because of the lack of visibility caused by the smoke.

The smoke was reported to be irritating to the eyes, nose and throat, even in weak concentrations.

The fire in the abandoned sulphur pits near Orchard apparently started when an electric power line fell to the ground near one of several mounds of sulphur still stored on the ground. Volunteers from a number of departments in the area responded to the call for assistance and they controlled the fire with water and by throwing dirt on the flaming sulphur. One fireman, Benito Villarreal, 39, of Beasley, was burned on his arm when he slipped and fell into a mound of molten sulphur. He was treated at Polly Ryon Hospital in Richmond.

The fire in the 10-acre abandoned storage area began smouldering over night and was discovered at about 7 a.m. Saturday. The fire caused a dense white, low-hanging cloud of smoke which hugged the tree tops and the ground.

Action Taken Here

Civil Defense director Ed Tate, Mayor Elmer Struss and Fire Chief L. J. Spanihel assembled key emergency personnel and firemen on a standby notice in the event the smoke forced any evacuation here. The cloud of smoke reached the city shortly before noon, but by the time it reached here it had thinned and dispersed to some extent and evacuation was not necessary, decided local officials.

It was reported that a dozen or so persons from the Eagle Lake and Garwood area were treated at local clinics and at the hospital for coughs, sneezes and other irritation believed to have been caused by breathing the fumes.

The smoke moved from Orchard, through East Bernard, Lissie and into Garwood and Eagle Lake, west toward Rock Island and Sheridan, being pushed slowly by a weak east wind.

Mon., Labor Day Is Holiday Here

Next Monday, Sept. 3rd, Labor Day, is an official holiday in Eagle Lake and business firms will be closed for the observance of the holiday.

The Postoffice, the County Courthouse offices and the County ASCS offices also will be closed for the day.

Also classes in the schools of the Rice District will be dismissed for the first holiday of the new school year.

No special events are scheduled here in observance of the day set aside to honor the workers of America who have had such a big role in the greatness of this country.

Early Deadlines Due To Holiday

Due to the Labor Day holiday which falls on Monday, Sept. 3rd deadlines for news and for advertising in the next issue of the Headlight will be advanced by one day.

Your cooperation in getting as much advertising and news in by noon Saturday will be appreciated.

The deadline for all advertising will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday. News reports and correspondent reports must be in our office by 9 a.m. Tuesday to be included in next week's publication.

The paper will be printed as usual on Wednesday morning and will be ready for distribution around 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Fayette Power Project Cooling Pond Open To Public Sept. 5

150 Cars Per Day Limit Established

Lower Colorado River Authority and the City of Austin announce the opening of Fayette Power Project's Cooling Pond near La Grange for legal fishing, boating and water skiing on Wednesday, September 5, 1979.

The only legal entrances is located at a point designated by signs adjacent to State Highway 159 approximately 6.5 miles west of Fayetteville and 10.2 miles east of intersection of Highways 71 and 159 in La Grange. (See Map on page 6) Persons entering at any other place will be in violation of designated "No Trespassing" areas posted by signs.

Until further notice the following hours of use will be available: Cooling Pond - 5 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Parking areas and boat ramp - 5 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. All parties will be required to vacate premises by 8:00 p.m. No one will be allowed to remain in park area after 8:00 p.m. Any changes in these hours will be posted each day at park entrance.

150 Vehicle Limit

Due to limitations imposed by the size of the two-lane boat ramp and parking areas no more than 150 vehicles with or without boat trailers will be admitted during the available hours based on calculations furnished by staff of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. When the first 150 vehicles have entered on any one day, the entrance will be closed for that day for boat fishing.

No advance registrations for any day's entrance will be

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ELMS Parents' Night Open House Sept. 5

The Eagle Lake Middle School will host its second Parents' Night Open House on Wednesday, September 5, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. All teachers will be in their respective rooms during this time span to visit with parents of the school's student body.

This activity was planned by the school's staff because of their desire to become better acquainted with the parents of the students which they teach. Only ELMS students and their parents are invited to attend, said Principal James Crabb.

AARP Covered Dish Luncheon Next Wed.

The American Association of Retired Persons of Eagle Lake will meet Wednesday, Sept. 5, 1979 at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall of The Baptist Church for the September meeting.

There will be a covered dish luncheon and members may bring guests if they like. Guests are always welcome and the food is always delicious.

There will be a board meeting at 11 a.m. Officers have several projects coming up, and all are urged to be present. Reporter, Hazel Havens.

No Garbage Pickup On Monday, Sept. 3rd

There will be no garbage pickup service in Eagle Lake next Monday, Sept. 3rd (Labor Day), announce city officials.

The Sanitation Department will collect the normal Monday refuse on Tuesday. The Tuesday and Wednesday routes will be combined and serviced on Wednesday.

Normal servicing of Thursday and Friday routes will continue on schedule during next week.

Duck, Goose Seasons Set This Week

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission was due to set hunting seasons, bag limits and other regulations on migratory game birds (waterfowl, sandhill cranes and gallinules) for the 1979-80 season when it convened in a public hearing in Austin at 10 a.m. Wednesday (Aug. 29). The commission will reconvene at 9 a.m. Thursday if necessary.

The proposed regulations were expected to differ only slightly from 1978-79. The zone closure on canvasback and redhead ducks in Orange, Jefferson, Chambers, Galveston, Harris and Brazoria Counties is proposed to be dropped this season.

Other proposed changes included liberalized bag limits for Ross' geese, mallards and fulvous tree ducks and more restrictive limits for mottled ducks which have declined in population recently. Mottled ducks are proposed for the 70-point category under the point system of bag limits.

The number of days proposed for hunting the various groupings of ducks and geese are reported to be identical to the 1978-79 seasons. Announcement of the 1979-80 regulations came too late for publication in this issue of the Headlight.

The commission also will consider the department's fiscal year 1980 operating budget and deal with a variety of park, wildlife and development matters.

17 Called For Grand Jury Duty Tues.

Twenty persons have been summoned for grand jury duty in 25th Judicial District Court in Columbus at 10 a.m. next Tuesday, Sept. 4th, however three of the twenty have been excused since one has moved from the county, one is over 65 and the other has a young child.

District Judge B. B. Schraub will preside in the selection of the twelve grand jurors and will call the docket of civil cases for the September term of court.

Called for grand jury duty were: Jessie Spann, Harvey Steward, Jessie Williams and Mrs. Leora Henry of Weimar; Owen A. Muller of Glidden; Rev. Carl Evans, Mrs. Norma Drymalla and Rubin Perez of Columbus; Alex Woolridge, Bennie Miller, Mrs. Ada Cook and Domingo Sosa of Eagle Lake; Mrs. Mary McGrew of Altair; Anthony Dale Popp of Garwood, Robert Criswell and Jose Garcia of Sheridan; and Mrs. Marjorie Streider of Cat Spring.

Sentencing This Wed.

District Judge E. W. Patteson was due to make sentencings in criminal cases

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County Votes To Join Appraisal Dist.

Colorado County Commissioners' Court, in special session Monday, voted to become a part of the Countywide Appraisal District, although the vote on the issue was 3-1.

The county had the option of becoming a part of the countywide appraisal district, as will become mandatory for cities and schools and other taxing agencies in the county on January 1st. Tentatively the court had indicated that it would take final action on the proposal to join the appraisal district Sept. 10 but was on the agenda at Monday morning's special session and action was taken to join the district, well in advance of the Sept. 15th deadline for making such a decision under provisions of S.B. 621.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles questioned the advisability of taking action on the matter at the meeting Monday and indicated he wanted more time to study the matter.

He said that he would like to propose that the county become a contract member rather than a regular member and expressed the belief that negotiated costs under such a contract basis would be firm. He said that he feared that the appraisal district may hire an outside firm to appraise all properties at 100% of market value, as required by the law, and it could result in an expensive project for the county. He said that he would like to wait until the next meeting (Sept. 10) to decide the issue.

Stiles added that he felt the five member board "will not be accountable to the public" and added that the

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Pre-School Classes Begin At Baptist Ch. Tues.

Registration of pre-school classes will be held next Tuesday, Sept. 4th from 9:00 o'clock until 12 noon at the First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake.

All children must be four years of age by September 1st and have a card for the class.

County Budget Includes 10% Officer's Pay Hike

Ricky Miller of Rice High Is Named Area III Star Greenhand

Ricky Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arlin Miller of Garwood, received the Star Greenhand Award for Area III at Brazoswood High School last Thursday night, August 23rd at 7 p.m. Progressive Farmer magazine presented Ricky with a Sony Radio and Area III Association presented him with the Star Greenhand plaque. Ricky had the most outstanding FFA Freshman Agriculture program in Area III for the 1978-79 year, noted the Rice FFA Chapter Advisers. Area III consists of 90 high school chapters.

Public Hearing On $3,044,817 Budget At 2 P.M. Sept. 10

Colorado County Commissioners' Court will hold a public hearing on a record budget for the year of 1980, including ten percent increases in the pay for elected officials, at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, September 10th in the county courtroom in the courthouse in Columbus.

The proposed 1980 budget, which totals $3,044,817, compares with a $2,101,744.10 budget for the year of 1979 with the major increase coming about in the permanent improvement fund where expenditures are listed at $932,750.00, including funds for restoration of the county courthouse and jailhouse improvements.

At the same time and place the county will hold a public hearing on anticipated revenue sharing expenditures for 1980 totalling $122,308.00.

Rev. Sharing Expenditures

Expenditures anticipated from the revenue sharing proceeds will include the purchase of a new car for the sheriff's office, $6,700; $6,000 for environmental protection (including coyote trapping etc.); $65,808 to construction and maintenance of public roads; $26,606 for health and sanitation; $7,000 to the libraries in the county; and $10,194.00 for social services.

Summary of Budget

The proposed expenditures in the 1980 budget include: $22,781 for the jury fund; $109,915 to countywide road and bridge funds, $724,412 for precinct road and bridge funds; $347,468.30 for the general fund; $932,750 for permanent improvements; $531,489.95 for the officers salary fund; and $376,000 from additional ad valorem funds for precinct use.

Revenue in the 1980 budget is based on a 64c per $100 tax rate, 34c from ad valorem taxes and 30c from additional ad valorem taxes.

Officer Salary Increases

A complete list of the proposed increases in the salaries for elected officials may be found on page nine of this issue. The ten percent increase in the salaries will add a total of $20,121.90 to expenditures annually.

Salaries of the district clerk will be increased from $12,454.80 to $13,700.40; salaries of the county auditor, county clerk, county judge, sheriff will be increased from $13,020.60 to $14,322.60; and tax assessor-collector from $13,260.60 to $14,582.60.

The county treasurer's pay will go up from $9,261.00 to $10,187.10; the county attorney's pay from $12,454.80 to $13,700.40; and pay for the four commissioners from $11,153.60 to $12,247.20.

Pay for Justices of the Peace and for Constables is increased by ten percent of the respective 1979 salary figures except:

Pay for the J.P. in precinct 1 is increased by $1,500; for the J.P. in precinct 2, $500; the J.P. in precinct 4 $1000; the J.P. in precinct 5, $750; and J.P. in precinct 8, $1,500.

St. Mary's Festival In Nada Sunday

Father Victor Schmidtzinsky and parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada invite one and all to the annual Parish Festival and Homecoming to be held this Sunday, Sept. 2nd.

The day's activities will begin with Masses at St. Mary's Church at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. Sat., Sept. 1st and at 7:00 and 10 a.m. on Sun., Sept. 2nd.

A barbecued beef and sausage dinner with all the trimmings will be served at the K.J.T. Hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for $3.00 per plate for adults and $2.00 per plate for children eight years of age and under. All plates to go will be $3.00 each. Supper will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. and there will be refreshments all afternoon and barbecue sandwiches after 1:00 p.m.

Entertainment will continue in the afternoon and night and a country fair and auction sale will be an event at 2:00 p.m.

In addition to music during the day by Sammy and the Midnighters there will be a dance from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. and admission to the dance will be $3.00 per person.

There will be plenty of free parking in the area.

1509 Answer Rice School Bells On Opening Day

8 Less Than First Day Last Year, But More Expected

Classes for the 1979-80 school year got underway in the Rice Consolidated Independent School District Monday, with the opening day enrollment totalling 1509, eight short of the opening day enrollment in 1978-79 (1517); however principals expect that enrollment to increase within the next few weeks.

All schools reported very successful openings, except that a San Bernard Electric Co. power failure (due to a line down in the Rock Island area) interrupted classes at Rice High School from 1:05 to the end of school. Students gathered in the Commons and there were no classes for the last two periods. At Short-Cut, the power was also out, but classes continued when windows were opened to provide ventilation. The High School is totally air-conditioned and has no facilities for opening windows in classrooms.

The Rice District will observe its first holiday of the new school year next Monday, Sept. 3rd for the Labor Day holiday.

Estimates by the principals at the five schools in the district were that 1552 would enroll opening day, including 280 at Eagle Lake Primary, 432 at Eagle Lake Middle School, 130 at Garwood, 120 at Sheridan and 490 at Rice High School.

Rice ISD Enrollment Down

Rice High School enrolled a total of 488 students on opening day, as compared with 498 last year. Principal Fred Grahmann had expected 485 Monday and said that another ten or twelve students should be enrolled in the next few days to bring the enrollment near the 500 mark. Monday, 120 freshmen reported for classes, 100 sophomores, 127 juniors,

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E. L. Primary Room Mothers' Meeting Sept. 5

All mothers who have children in the Eagle Lake Primary School are urged to attend the organizational meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 5th in order that plans can be made for the class parties and other classroom Primary P.T.A. M. Bingo.

The Halloween parties will be Oct. 30th, the Christmas parties on Dec. 20th, and the Valentine parties on Feb. 14th.

The meetings will be held at 3:00 p.m. in Mrs. Allen's home.