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24 YEARS AGO

LET'S LOOK BACK

(Aug. 14, 1955)
David R. Winterman was re-elected president of the Community Center for the 1955-56 year. Charles D. Stephens recovered nicely from operation in Laughlin Hospital. Shell Oil Co. stakes new test in Cherokee well on John Mearns land this week. Doyle L. Moore, Colorado County Agent, says now is a good time to test for winter legume planting. Beren Class of Gilly Memorial Methodist Church were given a picnic supper and a business meeting at the Harrison Walker country home. James Jochetz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jochetz of Eagle Lake, is attending an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps summer camp in Florida. Mrs. Cora Kattner of Brookshire, aunt of Mrs. Fred Lyle of Ramsey passed away Wednesday. Rock Island School is scheduled to open Sept. 6th according to Sept. 10th W. L. Superintendent. Mrs. Sophie Zeller of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Pearl Dennis of Columbus were honored with a party for their retirement with the telephone company. Eagle Lake Lions Club will hold their 5 to 6 over the Garwood Lions Club last week. Emmanuel Braden of Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Braden of Eagle Lake, accepted head coach position at Smith, Nevada. Sgt. and Mrs. Deane Bland and children plan for a two weeks vacation visit in Arkansas. Sandy Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas, will compete in the first annual Nieces County Championship Youth Contest in Hoboken. Barbara Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith of Garwood, celebrated her third birthday with a party at her grandmother's home. David Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cook of Eagle Lake was on the Magna Cum Laude list of honor students. Miss Adena Talles, bride-elect of Fred Foltz, Jr., was honored at a bridal shower given to her at the Community Center. Eagle Lake Lions Club begins plans for annual carnival.

Let's Look Back 48 YEARS AGO

(October 17, 1931)
Burglars caught in Stephens' building have police records. Finger prints identified as having served time in California Texas prison and sentenced to 10 years in Leavenworth Federal Prison. Mrs. Ray Crutchfield died Sunday morning. Duck season opens noon November 16. Three Eagle Lake homes are visited by burglars during Sunday night. W. M. Williamson is short his watch. Dr. T. P. Doole is minor part of trousers. Floyd Hodde recovers trousers near home. Herder building closed large warehouse near cotton gin for storing cotton. Says only good cotton and sell it at five cents, but will begin storing in the new warehouse next Monday. A flatboat team will be Eagle' opponents in game here today. Gentry Brothers Store will exhibit in Eagle Lake Friday, October 23. Advertising cost here yesterday and flaming pictures of dogs, ponies and clowns greet you from billboards and sidewalks. Negro steals game from local officers and lands in Columbus jail. Officer to sell out a Negro's dowry to officers led to Negro's downfall when 'shooters' tell of wanting to pawn jewelry. Eagles defeat Ray City Friday in fine exhibition game. New Houston road is discussed at Columbus. Cotton prices up \$2.50 per bale during week. Garwood High School begins department in Headlight.

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FROM OUR READERS

"Please God - I'm Only 17"

"The day I died was an ordinary school day. How I wish I had taken the bus. I remember how I wheeled the car out of mom's 'Special favor.' I pleaded, 'all the kids drive.' When the 2:50 bell rang, I threw all of my books in the locker. I was free until 8:40 tomorrow morning! I ran to the parking lot, excited at the thought of driving a car and being my own boss. FREE!

It does not matter how the accident happened. I was goofing off—going too fast. Taking chances. But I was enjoying my freedom and having fun. The last thing I remember was passing an old lady who seemed to be going awfully slow. I heard the screeching crash and felt the terrible jolt, then and steel flew everywhere. My whole body seemed to be turning inside out. I heard myself scream.

Suddenly I awakened. It was very quiet. A police officer was standing over me. Then I saw a doctor. My body was mangled. I was saturated with blood. Pieces of jagged glass was sticking out all over. Strange that I could not feel anything.

They don't pull that sheet over my head. I can't be dead. I'm only 17. I've got a date tonight. I'm supposed to grow up and have a wonderful life. I have not lived yet. I can't be dead.

Later they placed me in a drawer. My folks had to identify me. Why did they have to see me like this? Why did I have to see mom's eyes when she faced the most terrible ordeal of her life? Dad suddenly looked like an old man. The toll the man, 'yes, he is my son.'

The funeral was a weird experience. I saw all of my relatives and friends walk by the casket. They passed by me by one and looked at me with the saddest eyes I've ever seen. My body was being crying. A few of the girls touched my hand and sobbed as they walked by.

Please, somebody... wake me up! I can't bear to see mom and dad so broken up. My grandparents are so wrecked with grief they can hardly walk. My brothers and sisters are like zombies.

They move like robots. In a daze, everybody! No one can believe this. And I can't either.

Please don't bury me! I'm not dead! I have a lot of living to do! I want to laugh and run again. I want to sing and dance. Please don't put me in the ground. I promise if you give me just one more chance, God, I'll be the most careful driver in the whole world. All I want is one more chance. Please God, I'm only 17." The Carriage News.

10 Check, 5 DWI Charges In Co. Court

Among 22 defendants arraigned before Judge Lester J. Grimes on Sept. 19 in county court, 10 were charged with theft by check, five with driving while intoxicated.

Eight defendants failed to appear and orders were issued for their arrest. Herman Bratcher, DWI, continued upon motion of defendant.

Willie Smith Jr., resisting arrest, reduced to evading arrest, fined \$50 and court costs.

Rafael Gonzalez, possession of handgun, continued upon motion of defendant.

John R. Tush, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

Ruby Ward, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

Gary Swenson, theft by check, \$75 fine, court costs, \$50 restitution ordered.

Rickey Gibson, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

Linda Martinez, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

James Alice Sperr, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

Louis W. Magpies, theft by check, court assessed court costs only, \$25 restitution ordered.

Anna Howard Ballou, theft by check, failed to appear, arrest ordered.

Primary Science Experiments



Richard Klekar and Ronnie Little are pictured performing Science experiments in Mrs. Klekar's 3rd grade room at Eagle Lake.

Orientation For Obstetrical Patients At Local Hospital

An orientation program and tour for the obstetrical patients of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital was held September 19th at 2:00 p.m. in the hospital's conference room. This was the second of several community outreach programs being developed in concert with the hospital's Medical Staff to be offered by the hospital.

Following a welcome by the hospital administrator, John Chisholm, Mrs. Virginia Janek, of the hospital's business office, outlined the obstetrical admission policies and procedures.

Marilyn Sparks, R. N., Patient Care Coordinator, distributed a packet of pamphlets to the class. This packet contained information on labor, delivery, formula preparation, breast feeding, child care and infant nutrition.

A series of four mini-films were shown to the group. The film topics were "Prenatal Care 9-9 Months," "Labor and Delivery," "Post Partum" and "New Baby."

Following the filmed presentation Mrs. Sparks outlined the labor and delivery policies and procedures of the hospital. Highlight of this program was a tour of the hospital and visit to the labor and delivery areas with a thorough discussion of the equipment used in association with normal childbirth.

Concluding the program was an informal coffee break followed with a question and answer period.

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

Immunization

Clinic Here

Fri., Oct. 12

The Free Immunization Clinic sponsored by the Texas Department of Health in Eagle Lake will be held on Friday, October 12, 1979 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mission Center, 400 W. Prairie Street.

Immunizations for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP), Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella will be given to infants, preschoolers, and school age children. Tetanus and or Diphtheria will be given to adults.

Personal immunization record cards, showing dates and kinds of immunizations received are given to patients who have the immunization record of each child.

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Serendipity

Subject: Magic
La Sully bounced into the house the other day and asked, "Say, do you know anything about Houdini?"

"Yes," I replied, "his real name was Harry" but he cut me off with my voice in the air.

"I know, I believe his back lies out at Fort Thomas, and he's got his finger in every pot. He's out to the kitchen, and is nothing flat without a wasted motion can contain a delicious meal. Don't see how he can do it."

"It's an art with her reply."

"Yes, I know," said La Sully, "I'm adventurous in the kitchen, too. I stayed here recently and baked a cake."

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ELMS Band Officers Named



Eagle Lake Middle School band has elected officers for the 1979-80 year and they are shown above, front row, left to right, Renee Dierbach, vice president; Lisa Cornas, reporter; Roxanne Ripper, president; Michael Klekar, 7th grade council; back row, left to right, Ann Scholten, secretary; Coby Shorter, 8th grade council; Connie Pratz, 8th grade council; and John Atkins, 7th grade council.

Dale Cassadys, Orville Powers' Attend B-24 Reunion In Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cassady and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Powers were among the crowd of 450 people at the Liberal, Kansas Airport, Friday, September 21, to watch the arrival of the B-24, "Delectable Doris," which was to be the focal point of the weekend reunion celebration planned by the Liberal Chamber of Commerce.

The arrival of the big plane brought back many memories to the men who worked on them, flew in them, and saw friends die in them during those days of their lives never to be forgotten during WWII. Many eyes could be seen to dampen as they watched the only flying combat configured B-24 around anywhere as it roared low over the field and then curved away for a pass over the city of Liberal.

This particular plane was used in the filming of "The Last Prince," a TV film about Joseph P. Kennedy, brother of Sen. Edward Kennedy. During WWII over 19,000 of these B-24s were built, more than any other one type of aircraft used during that war. At the peak of the war effort the Ford Motor Company's Willow Run Plant in Michigan was turning out one B-24 every 55 minutes.

The 35-year love affair with the stubby Liberator showed in the faces of many as it landed and taxied in to stop in front of the crowd. A roar of applause was heard over the roar of the four throbbing engines. The bomber crew was promptly surrounded by Air Force Veterans who wanted to talk to the men who were still able to take occasional flights in the Liberator.

Formerly on B-24 Crews The Cassadys and Powers made pictures of the old plane and took turns standing in the open bomb bays as husbands pointed out the inner workings of the plane to their wives. Dale recalled his experiences as he served as a bombardier with the 448th Bomb Group based in England and operating in the European Theater. Orville spent two years in Norwich County, England, 1943-45, as a ground crewman with the 388th Bomb Group. Seeing the huge plane come in brought back vivid memories of anxious nights of waiting for the planes returning from bombing missions.

The crew who brought the plane to Liberal are a part of a private group of collectors who try to preserve flying models of the country's historical aircraft. Among the crew was Jerry Fend of Hickory Hills, Illinois, who told Cassadys and Powers he had hunted Jesse in Eagle Lake with Jimmy Reel in years past.

Occupying the motel room next to the Powers were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boggess of a patrolman in Wallis.

Agricultural Observations

from TEXAS A&M RESEARCH SITE
EAGLE LAKE 1/

TABLE DATE 17						
4-Inch						
Date	Air Temp		Soil Temp		Evap	Rain
Sep	Max	Min	Max	Min	(ins)	(ins)
25	91	65	87	76	.199	
26	95	69	96	78	.287	
27	96	71	94	81	.236	
28	93	71	93	81	.201	
29	90	72	89	81	.138	0.26
30	84	74	90	80	.738	
Oct						
1	88	63	85	74	.217	

In cooperation with National Weather Service & Texas Water Development Board

2/ Sheltered air temperatures

Two cool fronts within three days and neither one should unsettle Coastal Plains weather. A very weak cool front will be evident primarily as the reason behind light north winds over the Rio Belt. A somewhat stronger front will arrive Wednesday night or Thursday. This second front will be more noticeable, bringing slightly cooler temperatures and possible windiness to both the Rio-Belt and the Coastal Belt. However, neither one will see much in the way of rain or cloudiness through Saturday.

The weather picture through Saturday remains very bright for cotton harvest and related field work, hay cutting and baling; plus the drought of fields ahead of the second rice harvest. Late morning dew drop will remain the chief factor slowing up harvest work and hay baling. We'll have seven to eight hours for field work between dew drop and sunset.

Dew will also help keep disease active in soybeans. Shorter intervals between fungicide treatments may be needed just as if it were showery weather. Expect less favorable spraying winds as the front approaches about Thursday.

Last Rites

Wed. For

A. J. Kremling

Alois J. Kremling, a Garwood resident and businessman for many years, passed away Monday, Oct. 1st, 1979 in the Sweetbriar Nursing Home in Columbus. His death came at 6:00 p.m. Monday following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were scheduled to be held from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nads Wednesday, Oct. 3rd at 8:00 p.m. followed by interment in St. Mary's Cemetery. Monsignor Victor Schmidt is officiating.

Palbearers included Louis Crane, Jr. of Nads, Albert Fustejovsky and L. J. Spauld of Eagle Lake, Justin Stein and W. E. Darlek of Columbus and Anthony Kallins of Garwood. Henneke Funeral Home of Columbus is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Kremling was born June 7, 1908 in Schlenburg the son of Frank and Mary Kremling. He lived in Garwood for 43 years and operated a machine shop there for many years before retiring.

On October 17, 1929, he and Miss Annie Rossi were united in marriage. She preceded him in death in January of this year.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Anna-Lou Kasmierky of Garwood; three grandchildren, Paul Russell, Laurie and Suzie Kasmierky of Garwood; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Durand of San Antonio and Mrs. Ward Lindsey of Oconowoc, Wisconsin; and other relatives and friends.

Mr. Kremling was a faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and a charter member of the Nads Council of the Knights of Columbus; also of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus; the Garwood Lions Club; the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department.

A Parish Rosary was led by the Rev. Edward Geiser at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Henneke Funeral Home and at 8:15 a.m. a Rosary was recited by the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Kremling had many friends in the area and he will be greatly missed by his loved ones and by his friends. Deepest sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

3 Face Charges After Use Of

Bogus Credit Card

Three of four persons traveling in a 1971 Ford LTD west on IH 10 from purchasing gasoline at Stuckey's with a bogus credit card, are in county jail on charges filed after their arrest.

The county sheriff's office received a call at 3:15 p.m. Sept. 25th from Bill Shelton, manager of Stuckey's on IH 10 east of Columbus, that he had taken a credit card for purchase of 90 worth of gasoline and a check with the company which issued the card, revealed that the card was no good.

Shelton's officers stopped the vehicle at the intersection of IH 10 and 71 in Columbus shortly after work four passengers in the car.

A James W. "Red" M. of Greenville, Pa. told the officers he had found the card on IH 10 near Lafayette, La. and was hitchhiking and caught a ride with the other men in the car. Hack W. Lockhart, 19, of Cedarhurst, Ga. driver of the car, signed the name on the card, a Lionel W. Rabb, to the charge slip.

A charge of misuse of the credit card was filed against Rabb and misuse of the card and forgery against Lockhart.

Marjann Fend Investigation further revealed four ounces of marijuana in the car and John P. Hasty, 30, of Houston, said that it belonged to him and he was charged with felony possession of marijuana.

The fourth man was cleared and released.

Justices of the Peace Richard and Schmidt set bond on Rabb at \$2000, Lockhart at \$7500 and Hasty at \$2000 and all three are still in county jail in lieu of the bond and

will be brought before the grand jury in November.

Investigation has failed to locate anyone by the same printed on the credit card, added officers.

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Last Rites Here For Alma Torres, 19

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1st from Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church for Alma Torres, 19, El Campo, one of three persons who were killed in an auto accident at around 6:00 p.m. Saturday on Farm Road 441 near El Campo.

Also killed in the accident were Abigail Gutierrez, 4, of El Campo; and Marcelina Gutierrez, 4, of Canado. Six other persons were in the car and they were seriously injured when the driver of the car lost control of the vehicle when heading north on the farm to market road at 6 p.m. Saturday and the car skidded 350 feet and hit a culvert.

Among those seriously injured and in Hermann Hospital in Houston are Cynthia Torres, 1, in critical condition.

Mrs. Torres was the daughter of Pete Munoz and Stella Munoz and her husband was Eloy Torres, formerly of Eagle Lake.

Mrs. Torres was charged in the accident.

PEMEX, a new public relations manager, Reynaldo Zentella, said the company, if pushed, will pay damages resulting from the 1971 oil well blowout in the Bay of Campeche.

Zentella cautioned "we'll do our best not to pay when we're not supposed to. They'll have to prove it was oil from Itzac 1" that damaged the beaches.

The company is still trying to cap the blowout, but an attempt to put a giant \$3 million "concrete" designed by Brown and Root of Houston over the hole in the gulf floor was disrupted by choppy seas.

The plaintiff alleges that objection was raised to the sale and he asks the issuance of a decree for the defendants to fulfill terms of the contracts and for costs of court.

The plaintiff asks to be appointed guardian of Gary Wayne Delfart and for damages in a sum in excess of the jurisdictional limits of the court and costs of court and legal interests.

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Texas, Mexico Flex Muscles On Beach Damage Issue