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3 From Bank Attend Mid-Coastal Meet

Barbara Miller, Assistant Vice President of the First National Bank of Eagle Lake, and Carolyn Dwyer and Barbara Harborth, Assistant Cashiers, attended the meeting of the Mid-Coastal Area Group held in Midfield, Texas, November 27th at Bill's Restaurant. More than 60 banking women from the area attended. The arrangements for the meeting were made by the First State Bank of Edna and Citizens State Bank of Galveston.

The program included a dinner and business meeting with the program being "Changes in the Texas Usury Laws." Presenting the program were Mimi Brehm and Doug Adamson, Assistant Vice Presidents, and Peter Clark, Vice President, all of the Cullen Bank and Trust, Houston, Texas.

This group is a part of a National network of some 21,000 women bank officers joining forces to serve the banking industry and women in it.

Oct Hill Estate Home Burglarized

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department was called at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7th by Mrs. R. W. Maertz who resides in Alletton but owns a house in the Oak Hill Estate near Columbus, that her house had been entered.

Investigating officers said entry was made by pushing in a screen and raising an unlocked window. Apparently the burglars were in the house for some time, leaving cans, cigarette butts, etc. about the house. They apparently departed through a back door and took with them the following:

- A portable GE dishwasher, a black vinyl couch and chair, a Teleson pong game, an Admiral portable TV, 12 cassettes, 2 boxes and several arrows, 2 jewelry boxes filled with costume jewelry, assorted clothes and towels and several boxes of children's games.

Entry was made some time between Nov. 19 and Dec. 7th hence the officers have few clues with which to work in investigation of the entry.

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Numerous Thefts Reported In City

Numerous thefts were reported to local police Tuesday morning, obviously done some time during Monday night.

Included among the thefts were batteries taken from the cars of Donald Bandy parked in the garage at the Bandy home at 100 East Prairie from a car owned by Mrs. T. W. Scott parked in front of her home on Cemetery Street; and from a pickup truck owned by Rick Higgins at 500 East State. Also a tool chest with tools was stolen from the pickup truck.

A number of lights were stolen from decorations at the Sam Austin and Buck Swords homes on Willow Lane in the Meadowbrook Addition early Monday night.

City patrolman Lou Villarreal and Deputy Sheriff Jerry O'Connor are investigating the incidents.

Damages Asked From S.P. R.R. Result of Collision

A suit was filed in District Court Dec. 7th by Isabel Rodriguez, individually and next friend of George Rodriguez and Loretta Rodriguez, and Edith Cabrera, individually and as next friend of Enrique Cabrera, seeking damages as the result of an auto and train collision in Columbus May 3, 1979 at 8:30 a.m. Defendant in the suit is the Southern Pacific Transportation Co.

The defendant alleges that three minors were in the car when it was hit by a locomotive and damaged in excess of the minimal jurisdiction limits of the court. The plaintiff seeks for \$4100 damages to her car.

Free Fiesta Dinner

Joe Cardenas, Jr. this is a treat for a Fiesta Dinner at La Fiesta in Eagle Lake where you get the finest in authentic Mexican foods in a pleasant atmosphere. City limits out and present at La Fiesta no later than Dec. 18, 1979.

Some outstanding entertainment has been booked for the Eagle Lake Lions Club's annual Christmas Party to be held in the Community Center at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 13th.

A musical aggregation, the English Brothers, will provide entertainment for the Lions, Lionsesses and guests following the banquet.

President Bill Appelt will preside at the event.

\$400,000 Damages Asked In Fire In Hog Houses

In a suit transferred to District Court, in this county from Harris County, damages are asked as result of a fire in some hog houses on April 27th of this year. Plaintiff in the suit is the Agrow Swiss Corporation and defendant is Billy W. Brown, doing business as Brown Electric Co.

The plaintiff alleges that Brown did some electrical work on April 26, 1979 and at 4 a.m. on April 27th a fire resulted in two of the hog houses owned by the plaintiff destroying the houses and contents.

Actual damages of \$100,000 are asked in the suit, but the plaintiff alleges that due to defective workmanship and negligence on the part of the defendant that the corporation is also entitled to triple that amount under the Deception Trade Practices Act. The suit also asks for attorney's fees and costs of court.

Fire Dept. Elects 1980 Officers; Spanihel Chief

Eagle Lake Volunteer Firemen have elected officers for the 1980 year, including the re-election of L. J. (Spanihel) Spanihel as Fire Chief for the department; T. J. Smith as First Assistant Chief; Mickey Kochweil as Second Assistant Chief; and Ronnie Miller as Major and Training Coordinator.

Melvin Stanick was re-elected secretary and Pete Canaris was re-elected treasurer. Gary Glisner will serve again as captain of Co. 3 and Chuck Stephens will be lieutenant. Thurston Webb will continue as captain of Co. 2 and Clark Powers will be lieutenant. Gene Jones was re-elected captain of Co. 3 and Johnny Prazak will become a lieutenant.

Racing team captains will be Darrell Gertson and Prazak, Shane Glisner will be the new mascot, succeeding Darrell Stanick.

Serving on the Pension Board will be Monroe Briscoe, Prazak and Powers; Bobby Joe Marsalis will be the new sergeant at arms; Clark Powers the new chaplain; and the membership committee will include Ed Sunderman, Stephens and Gary W. Grant.

The firemen made plans for the annual Ladies Night Christmas Banquet and Dance to be held in the Community Center this Saturday, Dec. 15th at 7 p.m.

Special Closings For Christmas Holidays

If your business firm will be closed for a special period, other than for the regular holiday on Tuesday, Dec. 25th, the Headlight will be glad to list that closing for you. Call the Headlight office before noon Monday, Dec. 17th to list special closings for Christmas and by noon Monday, Dec. 24th to list holidays for New Year's.

Schools in the Rice, Coppied District will close at the end of classes on Thursday, Dec. 20th and will remain closed through Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, reopening for regular classes on Thursday, Jan. 3rd.

Gifts of Distinction will close at noon Mon., Dec. 24th and remain closed through Dec. 25th; and also will close at noon on Mon., Dec. 31st, New Year's Eve and remain closed through Jan. 1st.

Colorado County court-house will be open on a limited basis due to renovations to the electrical system Thurs. and Fri., Dec. 20th and 21st. Also the offices in the courthouse will be closed all day on Mon., Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve, and all day on Tues., Dec. 25th, Christmas Day.

Colorado County Farmers Supply Co., Inc. of Eagle Lake will be closed Dec. 24th and 25th and also on Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The offices of Dr. Rose Roquemore in the Thomas Roquemore Clinic will be closed Dec. 17th through Dec. 25th while Dr. Roquemore is moving her

Fire Dept. Ladies Night Banquet Sat.

The Eagle Lake volunteer fire department will stage its annual banquet and dance Saturday night, Dec. 15th and the event promises to be another gala event.

The firemen and their ladies and many guests will enjoy a banquet and program followed by a dance. During the program firemen will receive "bonus" checks for participating in the two-month practice drills.

Also a report will be made on the number of fires extinguished in the past year. The event will be at the fire station at 7 p.m.

Lions Club Christmas Party Thurs.

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Rapist Active On IH-10; Caution By Drivers Urged

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department has issued a warning to college-age girls who might be driving on Interstate 10 in this county, that two rapes have occurred on IH-10 in the past three weeks, one in this county and one in Austin County.

The sheriff's department advises that in both cases the rape was committed by a single male who apparently finds a young girl driving alone on IH-10, follows the car, and then forces the vehicle off the road. In a pretense to offer assistance, the rapist produces a knife and forces his way into the vehicle and rapes the driver, according to information gathered by local law officers.

Both incidents have occurred between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m. in the morning and in both incidents the drivers were college age girls driving alone.

A word of caution is extended to drivers that might be followed and forced off the highway, not to allow anyone to enter their vehicle, under any conditions.

Christmas Concert At Garwood School Thurs., Dec. 20

The Garwood Jr. High School Band will hold its annual Christmas concert on Thursday, Dec. 20th at 10:30 a.m. at the Garwood school.

Following the concert, school will dismiss at 2:15 for the holiday break. The public is invited to attend.

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Rice Bandsmen In All-District Band



Pictured above are members of the Rice Raider Band who earned a position in the District Band. District II of Region XIII held tryouts for membership Tuesday, Dec. 4 in El Campo. These students who did well at the district tryouts will advance to Region tryouts to be held Thursday, Dec. 13 at Industrial High School. Those making District Band are: first row, left to right, Kevin Pellerin, Luanne Brown, Kitty Thomas, Irma Yanes and Philip Leopold;

SHERIDAN NEWS
By Velma Kutzner (234-3988)

Mrs. Aileen Peck Honored At Baby Showers

The Iram Brisco, Jr. home at Lake Sheridan was the setting of a Baby Shower honoring Mrs. Aileen Peck on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 7:00 p.m. Guests were greeted at the door by Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Brisco, and then were registered in the honoree's baby book at the registry table in the foyer.

The guest of honor, along with her mother, Mrs. Albert Board, and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Monte Peck, were seated in the den, and each presented with a pink and blue baby carriage.

Several games were played by the guests; one in which they "helped" the honoree "name" the baby. Carol Dross, the honoree's sister, registered the gifts as they were opened. Mrs. Peck thanked everyone for the many lovely and useful baby gifts and for their having attended the affair.

Refreshments for the occasion were served by the hostesses. The refreshment table was centered by a white-cake cake trimmed in pink and blue and topped with pink and blue sugarpun baby booties. "Congratulations Aileen and Monte" was inscribed on the cake. A crystal bowl held lime sherbet punch and coffee was served from a silver service. Other refreshments included finger sandwiches, nuts and mints. Hostesses for the occasion were: Helen Brisco, Helene Brisco, Barbara Brisco, Zelda Walker, Lois Taylor, Vernita Doplad, LaVerne Chovanetz, Carmen Jackson, Vera Moshe, Mary Lou Criswell, Ethel Potter, and Jeanette Nance. Their gift to the honoree was a Levi's denim baby stroller.

Mrs. Peck was also honored with a "surprise" Baby Shower by her friends and co-workers at Eagle Lake Community Hospital on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

Yvonne Wagner, R.N., registered gifts as they were opened. Cake, punch, sandwiches, chips and dips were served in the hospital dining room.

Employees of all departments attended to help Mrs. Peck (a R.N. on the 3 to 11 shift) celebrate the happy occasion.

Christmas Program At Baptist Ch. Sun.

The community is cordially invited to attend the Christmas Program at the Baptist Church this Sunday evening 6 o'clock. The pre-school will present the Birth of Jesus while the older children sing Christmas carols. Refreshments and Christ-

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MARKET REPORT

Columbus Livestock Market: Columbus Livestock Market reported the market again steady with a lot of buyers on hand at the Dec. 6th sale with 1005 head of cattle handled by the firm.

Good to choice butcher calves and yearlings sold 70 to 75; Halstead's feeder cows 50 to 60; and commercial feeder bulls 65 to 68.5. Heavy Hereford and Angus steer calves brought 75 to 81 and heifers 70 to 85 while steers and calves went 75 to 81 and heifers 70 to 80. Good steers went and heifers sold for \$400 to \$500. Six 1-year brought 35 to 40 and lambs 40 to 45.

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Date	Air Temp	Soil Temp	Evap	Rain
	Max	Min	Max	Min
Dec	66	43	58	47
7	73	35	56	47
8	72	38	58	47
9	71	36	58	48
10	71	40	58	49

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Elvis Presley's Autos Coming To Don Elliott Chev. Fri., Sat.

Elvis fans and area residents will have a rare opportunity Friday and Saturday to view two of Elvis Presley's vehicles. In fact, these are the only two vehicles which have been sold all over Wharton County and surrounding areas.

The cars are a unique Cadillac station wagon and a Chevrolet. Dooley Silverado and were used by Elvis until his untimely death in 1977.

These cars will be on display at Don Elliott Chevrolet, 1225 N. Richmond, in Wharton Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There will also be drawings (obligation free) for door prizes and free rides in Elvis' cars.

Don Elliott announced that he is having the exclusive promotion because of the great interest in Elvis Presley by thousands of fans all over Wharton County and surrounding areas.

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There will also be continuous showing of Elvis' films.

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22 From Nada Make Pilgrimage To Mexico



The twenty-two members of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada, Texas, who made a pilgrimage to Mexico, are pictured above. The group left Houston for Mexico on Thursday, Dec. 13, and returned on Sunday, Dec. 16.