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HOSPITAL NEWS NOTES

Patients (Dec. 24):
Eagle Lake: Charles Vlachovsky, Miss Junita Corcosado, Mrs. Bernice Karber, Mrs. Dale Rodgers, Mrs. Allen Jones, Miss Clara Lee, Mrs. Georgia Schmidt, Baby Roy Schmidt.
Also, from Garwood, Otto Danklefs and Mrs. Sylvia Danklefs; from Sheridan, Mrs. Earlene Botard; from Columbus, Miss Marie Seidel; from Austin, Miss Lida Hutson; from Alletton, Miss Margaret

May you find a world of joy.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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May yours be bright and full of promise.

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VFW Donates To Three Agencies



The Rice Area Memorial Post 5753, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Eagle Lake, last week presented \$100 checks to three worthy organizations to continue providing outstanding service to the community. Accepting the checks were: left to right, Fire Chief L. J. Spaniel for the

Anniversary, Birthdays Are Honored At Stephens' Sing-a-long

From Eagle Lake, Willie G. Yells, Sr., Delano Fraka, Guadalupe Torres, Mrs. Ernestine Carroll, Baby Girl Carroll, F. E. Broesche, Mrs. Judy Sackay, Mrs. Peggy Ashton, Mrs. Ruby Davis, Ryan Torres, Marco Munoz, Mrs. Judy Lueders, Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, Mrs. Carmen Wiese, Garmer Tate, Also, from Garwood, Mrs. Edith Butler, Mrs. Jackie Walker, Mrs. Elvera Shaw, Mrs. Annie Schneider, from Sheridan, O. J. Coats and Stacy Mueller; from Sublime, Mrs. Aileen Peck and Baby Boy Peck; from Columbus, Mrs. Elanore Sudd, Mrs. Myrtle Simmons, Eric Middleton; from Hallettsville, Mrs. Mary Henry; from Alletton, Mrs. Pauline Gendelich; from East Bernard, Mrs. Connie Luns and Baby Girl Luns; from Linnie, Willie Schroeder; and from Austin, Arthur Thomson; Also, from Rock Island, Fred Albertson; from Cat Springs, Mrs. Jean Waddell and Willie Roensch; from Kendrickton, Ole Aycock; from Glidden, Mrs. Gerlie Fry; from New Ulm, Mrs. Mary Henneke; and from Altair, Norman Baker.

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Happy Hoofers Plan 4th Charity Ball Feb. 2nd

The Happy Hoofers Dance Club announces plans for the fourth annual Charity Benefit Ball which will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2nd in the Eagle Lake Community Center.

Tickets will go on sale soon at \$25 per person with proceeds earmarked for the benefit of the Cystic Fibrosis Fund, the Knights of Columbus Deaf Community Fund and the Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital.

Dancing will be from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight and will feature the music of Jurecka's Orchestra. Snacks and drinks will be provided during the event, concluding with a midnight breakfast.

The formal event has become one of the highlights of the social year in this community.

Attendance at the event will be limited, as in the past, to the first 100 couples who purchase tickets to the event, said J. T. (Tommy) Pilkington, president of the club. For more information you may contact Pilkington, L. J. (Sonny) Spaniel or Joe N. Frazer.

NOTICE

We will be closed
Mon. and Tues., Dec. 31-Jan. 1
for New Year's

Colorado County Farmers Supply, Inc.
Eagle Lake

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Let it be known that the barbeque cooking team of Murphys Law has competed in many various events in South Central Texas and are aware of the fact that certain rules and regulations apply. However, in no case have we ever been disqualified because of a rule that was not printed in the rules and regulations sent out to contestants.

Murphys Law Cooking Team
Leon Dittmar, Jr.
David Frank
Richard Harris



HAPPY NEW YEAR

May all your days be merry.

The Sewing Center
Mrs. Irene Skucas
Eagle Lake

MARKET REPORT

Columbus Livestock Co.
Columbus Livestock Commission Co. held its final sale of 1979 last Thursday with 851 head of cattle going up for sale. Good to choice butcher calves sold 70 to 75, heavier packer cows brought 55 to 60, commercial packer bulls went 65 to 70. Heavy Hereford and Angus steer calves sold 80c to \$1 and heifers 70 to 80. Good stocker cows and heifers went \$400 to \$500. No. 1 hogs brought 38 to 41 and lambs 50 to 70.

The market was active and fully steady on all classes of cattle last week.

The next sale will be on January 2nd.

Rock Island Water Supply Corp. Annual Meet Jan. 25

The Rock Island Water Supply Corporation will hold its annual meeting on Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rock Island Community Center.

On the agenda will be the election of one board member for a two year term and a financial report on the system.

Refreshments will be served.

Alton A. Novosad is president and James Frenzel is secretary-treasurer of the water corporation.

Effective Jan. 2, 1980, single copies of the Headlight will cost 25c per copy.

Susan Spalinger Receives Degree At SW Texas

Susan Spalinger of Eagle Lake was among the nearly 1,000 students to receive degrees during graduation ceremonies Dec. 22 at Southwest Texas State University.

District 45 State Representative Don Rains delivered commencement addresses in tandem ceremonies in the University's Strahan Gymnasium.

Miss Spalinger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Spalinger of Eagle Lake. She received a bachelor of science in education degree with a major in elementary education.

Visiting Grandparents
Kevin Henske, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Henske of Mission, is in Eagle Lake visiting with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brethaupt and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henske, and other relatives for two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Henske and daughter Tanya returned to Mission Sunday after enjoying a weekend of holiday socials here and in Brenham with relatives.

Family members were delighted to hear Kevin sang a duet of "O Come All Ye Faithful" in a Christmas school program recently.

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First National Bank Has Had Tremendous Growth In 75 Years

(Continued from page one)

In the banking office on Jan. 3, 1906 was called to order by Chas. Davis, Pres. and A. M. Waugh was appointed as secretary. The following were elected as directors of the bank for the balance of the year, Chas. Davis, W. T. Eldridge, G. W. Deaton, B. L. Vineyard and A. M. Waugh.

First Loan In 1906

The first loan actually reported in the minutes of the bank was recorded on April 3, 1906, when "It was decided to discount for the G. W. Deaton Company about \$4,000.00 of customer paper."

At the end of the first year's business it was reported that the bank made a profit of \$2,152.96. At the first stockholders meeting following a full year of business, the following directors and officers were elected: Wm. Green, director and president; W. T. Eldridge, director and vice-president; G. W. Deaton, director and vice president; A. M. Waugh, B. L. Vineyard, directors; M. E. Gynn, director and cashier; R. E. Walker, assistant cashier; and T. W. Shugart, bookkeeper.

On March 5, 1907, the shareholders approved an increase in the capital from \$25,000 to \$40,000 and an increase in board members from five to nine, with the following nine men being named: J. J. Whitley, B. L. Vineyard, W. T. Eldridge, A. M. Waugh, Fox Stephens, Berthold Laysaht, J. N. Frazer, M. D. Flowers and

Bank Has Had Ten Presidents

The First National Bank of Eagle Lake which is observing the 75th anniversary of its founding this Friday, Dec. 28th with an open house from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. has had a total of ten presidents during the 75 year history of the bank.

They included: Charles Davis who served for one day, Jan. 3, 1906; Wm. Green from Jan. 3, 1906 to Oct. 20, 1906; J. J. Whitley from Oct. 30, 1906 to Jan. 11, 1916; Fox Stephens from Jan. 11, 1916 to March 10, 1918; and Frank Stephens from May 6, 1918 to Dec. 31, 1920.

On Dec. 31, 1920 W. S. Strickland became president and served until Nov. 24, 1942; Wm. E. Lenhart served from Jan. 12, 1943 to Jan. 12, 1960; George H. Crane from Jan. 12, 1960 to Feb. 13, 1963;



W. E. Lenhart

In October of 1957 the building occupied by Eagle Lake Store next to the bank was purchased to expand the bank's quarters. J. L. Drymlala was successful bidder for the new building at a cost of \$87,488.

The 1958 annual meeting saw the approval by shareholders of a plan to sell 1000 additional shares of stock at a price of \$100 per share and to

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This is a view of the city square in downtown Eagle Lake many years ago and at the top left is the former First National Bank building which served as banking headquarters here from 1903 to 1958.

House Bills
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Carryover Basis Repeal

As a member of the Conference Committee on the windfall profits tax, I am particularly happy that we agreed to repeal the carryover basis provision.

This tax, part of the 1976 tax bill, increases the capital tax on the sale of inherited property. But the law would have been hard to enforce and a real loss to property owners. The carryover basis would tax the increase in value of inherited property between the time an heir receives the property and the time it was bought originally.

The present system of taxing property on the basis of increased value from the time it was inherited to when it was sold is far superior. An or -helming House majority has co-sponsored a repeal bill. The Senate attached the repeal to its windfall profits tax bill, so the conference approved this welcome change.

The conference agreed that the windfall tax will produce some \$22 billion through 1990. We will meet in mid-January to finish the bill.

Aid To Chrysler

I voted for the House bill to grant loan guarantees to Chrysler. A chief concern was the Pension Benefits Guaranty Corporation, a little-known federal agency that acts as an insurance firm to back up private pension funds. If Chrysler goes under, this agency would be liable for \$1.1 billion of Chrysler's unfunded pension liabilities. This money, along with the \$2.5 billion it would cost in unemployment and other government programs, would make our budget deficit worse.

The bill only provided Chrysler enough to get them through until the end of the year. The bill would not have provided Chrysler with the \$2.5 billion it would need to stay afloat.