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1980 Beef Referendum Registration in Jan.

Items of interest to beef growers in Colorado County and deadline dates are listed by the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service as follows:

The registration period is January 28 through February 6, 1980, and the voting period is February 19 through 22, 1980. The representative period, or period of time that



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Irrigation Pipelines For Rice Can Reduce Costs

[By Soil Conservation Service, Colorado County]

With fuel and energy costs skyrocketing, it might be a good idea to consider installing an irrigation pipeline for the production of rice. An irrigation pipeline, since they are installed under ground, provide a 35 to 40 per cent increase in acreage which can be farmed to rice when compared to an open canal. This increase in acreage represents more efficient use of irrigation water as well as substantial savings in fuel and energy costs. An irrigation pipeline provides outlets where they are needed so that the water is readily available for use. Better control of water is another advantage of using an irrigation pipeline. The cost of installing an irrigation pipeline is approximately \$5.00 per running foot of pipe installed. This includes the pipe, fixtures, and installation.

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County Agent's NOTEBOOK

[By Leroy J. Hajda, County Extension Agent, Colorado County]

Prune Trees And Shrubs Properly

As the dormant season for many plants approaches, home gardeners should review proper pruning techniques before mowing pruning shears and saws.

Improper pruning can result in poor growth, an untidy plant form, poor flavor and fruit production, and occasionally even death of the plant.

Following basic guidelines for pruning can transform a tree or shrub into a beautiful plant specimen. To begin, have a reason for pruning. Consider technique, season of the year and the need for pruning before taking that first snip. Many times there is no reason at all for pruning if the tree is half dead and hearty.

The dormant season of November through January may not necessarily be the best time to prune every plant on your landscape. Deciduous trees and shrubs, vines, ground covers, and

evergreens probably can be pruned at this time of year. However, exceptions include spring-flowering shrubs such as anemones, forsythia, bridal wreath and gardenias, which should be pruned after they flower. Do not prune roses until mid-February.

Using proper tools is important for safety and adequate cutting. Use hand shears for small twigs under one-half inch in diameter. Long-handled lopping shears are best for branches one-half to one inch in size. Larger branches require a pruning saw. A long-handled pole pruner or saw is necessary for cutting higher branches.

We recommend making cuts flush with the trunk since stubs do not heal properly. As years pass stubs decay and the deterioration spreads down the trunk until the tree falls over.

Seal cuts more than two inches in diameter with a pruning paint sealer. The sealer will dry hard and protect the wound from insect and disease invasion and moisture loss.

As important as seasonal pruning is, it's even more important to prune when

Ballots Due Back Friday In Montezuma Election

Club Montezuma members are reminded that ballots in the directors' election are due back this Friday, Jan. 4th, reminds secretary Mrs. Billy Joe Williams.

Ballots went out to members last week to elect seven new directors. Listed as nominees for the positions on the ballot are: Bob Waddell, Jo Ann Gertson, Kay Clippson, Carol Ripper, Virginia Waldrop, Johnny Prazak, Bonnie Miller, Gus Seaholm, Davis Waddell, Brenda Corman and Diana Brunner. Three men and four women are to be elected.

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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 the 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. (Sandy) Spaniel or Joe N. Frantz.

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needed. Prune and repair damaged plants as soon as possible. And always prune after transplanting, particularly with balled and bared rooted plants. Pruning will compensate for roots the plant lost in the digging.

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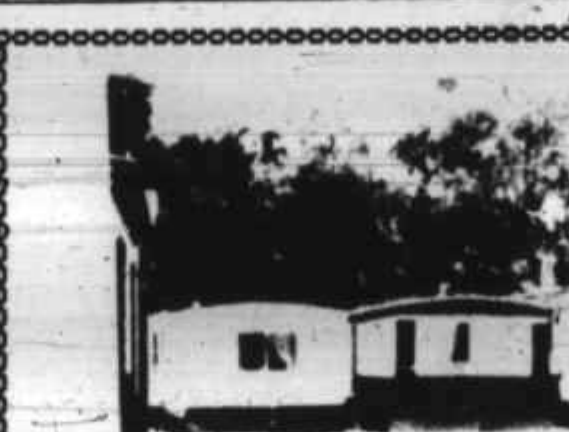
Thurs. Fri. & Sat., Jan. 3, 4 & 5

GIRLS 8TH GRADE		
East Bernard	Thurs. 2:00 p.m.	ELMS
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Columbus	Sat. 11:30 a.m.
Thurs. 3:15 p.m.	Shulenburg	
GIRLS 7TH GRADE		
East Bernard	Thurs. 4:30 p.m.	ELMS
Thurs. 8:15 p.m.	Columbus	Sat. 9:00 a.m.
Thurs. 5:45 p.m.	Belville	
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Fri. 5:45 p.m.	Sealy	

Communitair Connects Wharton, Houston Airports

Communitair, a scheduled commuter airline providing intra-city service to three Houston airports (Intercontinental, Hobby, and Huli Field), began service to the Wharton-Eagle Lake City area on Monday, December 17.

Communitair offers four scheduled flights daily, Monday through Friday, twice in the morning and twice in the afternoon from Intercontinental through Hobby to Wharton. All flights arrive and depart from Wharton Municipal Airport on Highway 39. Free parking at the



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ELMS Basketball Tourney Gets Underway Thurs.

Sixteen Teams To Compete In 4 Divisions; Finals Set For Saturday

Sixteen teams will open play this Thursday and Friday when the annual Eagle Lake Junior High Basketball Tournament gets underway at the Middle School gymnasium.

The tournament will consist of four divisions with seventh and eighth grade boys' and girls' teams making up those divisions.

The action will get underway on Thursday with first round and consolation games scheduled for the girls. On Friday, second round, boys' games and consolation games will be played.

Girls Host Magnolia Fri., Royal Thurs.

Begin Defense of District 20AA Crown

The Rice Raiders girls will get their regular schedule of District 20AA play underway this Friday night when they take on Magnolia for three games in Raider Gym beginning at 5:00.

This Tuesday night the Raiders will be at home again, hosting Royal for three games, also getting started at 5:00.

Rice, coached by Reuben Wunderlich, has already chalked up a pair of league wins with victories over Belville and Waller for a perfect 2-0 record. Rice has also collected a win over Magnolia, but that was in non-district action.

Coach Wunderlich is anticipating a hot race and expects his Raiders to be in the middle of it when the dust settles in the middle of February. The Raiders are the defending District and Bi-District champions having swept through both halves of their league competition last year.

This year, however, Wunderlich expects Sealy and Hempstead to cause a lot of problems in his team's attempt to regain that crown. Sealy has 1 of its players returning from a successful season last year and Hempstead is returning the bulk of its squad. Royal made a run for the title last year and could put together another good season this year.

Some bad news for the Raiders came prior to the Christmas holidays as Sharon McTeer received a knee injury. Her condition prior to

the holidays was questionable and Coach Wunderlich is not expecting her knee to improve enough to help out this season.

Hoping to take up the slack for the Raiders will be other starters including Yolanda McTeer, Patricia Banks, Mary Ann Beck and Phyllis Carter.

Thus far this season the Raiders have racked up an impressive 12-4 record with most of the losses coming against larger schools.

Much of their success comes from the aggressive play that has become a trademark of Wunderlich's teams lately. A quick aggressive defense and the use of a good fast break with good inside attack has led to most of Rice's wins.

The Raiders have games scheduled on Thursday and Friday nights with three games slated for each. Freshmen games get underway at 5:00 with the junior varsity and varsity following about 6:15 and 7:30. Raiders fans are invited to attend these games and help support Rice to another district title in 1980.

Besides the four ELMS eighth graders, East Bernard at 2:00 and Columbus playing Sealy at 3:15. In the seventh grade division, which also opens play on Friday, East Bernard will meet ELMS at 4:30 and Columbus will play Sealy in the other match.

Finals Sat., Jan. 4th

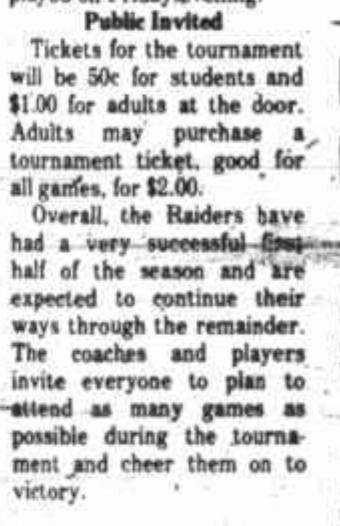
Finals will get underway on Saturday morning with the seventh grade girls' championship game at 9:00 and eighth grade girls' at 11:30 a.m. The seventh grade boys' finals will be at 10:15 a.m. with the eighth grade championship game scheduled to start at 12:45 p.m.

Both girls' consolation games will be played Thursday evening and both boys' consolation games will be played on Friday evening.

Public Invited

Tickets for the tournament will be 50¢ for students and \$1.00 for adults at the door. Adults may purchase a tournament ticket, good for all games, for \$2.00.

Overall, the Raiders have had a very successful first half of the season and are expected to continue their ways through the remainder. The coaches and players invite everyone to plan to attend as many games as possible during the tournament and cheer them on to victory.



MOONLIGHTERS LEAGUE

The local Knights of Columbus team rolled the 983 high game during Moonlighters League action last Thursday evening while the Redskins posted the 2484 high game. Wolf Ignatka's 576 600 series was the high in individual stats.

Father Tom's Alligators lead the league with 39 total wins, two ahead of the Sand Buggers with 37. Blood and Guts had down three 35 and one-half with A. J. Smith Furniture on their tail with 35. Webb's Electronics team is in fifth with 34 and the Knights of Columbus have 32 for sixth place.

The Raiders last season, Royal, Columbus and Hempstead promise to be contenders and this Tuesday's game at Royal should give some insight into what is to come.

District scheduling, as last year, will be split into two halves, with the first half and second half winners meeting at the conclusion of the season to determine the winner. Last year, the Raiders won both halves, so no playoff game was necessary.

The district race is not expected to be an easy run-away as it was for the

Dove Shooting Resumes Sat.

The second split of the dove season in the South Zone of Texas will resume this Saturday and will allow hunting through Jan. 20th.

Hunting hours, beginning this Saturday, will be from 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset with a bag limit of ten and possession limit of twenty, after the first day of the season.

Deer Season Is Closed

The 1979 deer hunting season came to a close on New Year's Day, Jan. 1st, with deer kills reported

Both Sheridan And Garwood Resume Cage Action Thurs.

Both Sheridan and Garwood Raiders will resume basketball play this Thursday evening after taking a long holiday break.

Sheridan will reopen its season by traveling to Schulenburg for a pair of games with the girls starting at 4:30 and the boys playing at 5:30.

Garwood will host Flatonia as it returns to action with games scheduled for 4:30 and 5:30.

The Sheridan Raiders, coached by Bennie Machac, will be looking for improved play as they start the second half of their season. Both the girls' and boys' teams are currently 2-4 on the season and have won two of their last four games.

Coach Machac doesn't expect the Raiders schedule to get much easier but hopes his team will continue to show improvement as it did prior to the holiday break.

Sheridan will host Shiner next Thursday, Jan. 10 and will be the only team to play in the Schulenburg Tournament on Jan. 24-26.

The Garwood Raiders, coached by Mike Michalka, played five games prior to the holidays with the boys' record being 3-2 and the girls' record being 3-2.

Rice Boys Win Two In E. Bernard

The Rice Raiders boys escaped a near disaster last Friday night as they defeated East Bernard 45-37 after trailing by nine points at half.

It was the first time the Raiders had been on a basketball floor since defeating Strake Jesuit on December 21 and the week's layoff was obvious.

"We didn't look very good at all," said Coach Grammer. "We turned the ball over 16 times in the first half but managed to play a little better in the second half."

Those turnovers were costly as Rice found itself trailing at half 41 to 32 to a team that had beaten 83 to 27 in an earlier contest.

Grammer fingered his team's defense in that first half and also the connecting of 13 of 13 free throws by the Brahmas as main reasons for that first half deficit.

The Raiders did manage to clean up their act in the second half as they outscored East Bernard 45 to 16 to take the 73 to 57 win.

Larry Haynes led the Raiders in scoring and rebounds against the Brahmas hitting 24 points and pulling down 17 rebounds. David Grammer added 17 points and Dennis Bluntton had 12. Darrel Appelt had 7.

The Raiders junior varsity, coached by Gil Stalbaum, upped its record to 4-3 on the season, winning handily over East Bernard in the first game played last Friday.

The Raiders have now won four of their last five games after dropping their first two contests. Other wins came over Tomball, Bay City and Strake Jesuit.

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considerably lower than normal throughout this area.

The lack of continued cold weather is believed to have had some effect on the movement of the deer and hunters found the bucks hard to find.

Hunters will now turn their attention to dove shooting which will resume this Saturday, Jan. 5th at one-half hour before sunrise.

Quail Are Scarce

Quail hunters also have been finding the birds hard to come by. The Parks and Wildlife Commission increased the limit this year to 16 birds per day in anticipation of an abundance of birds. But the experts think there have been coming to us are that the quail just aren't here. Places where covers were known to abound, have produced only scattering of birds.

The reason for the scarcity of the birds in this area has been hard to explain. Some have expressed the opinion that heavy rains in September may have killed more birds than was at first anticipated.

The season on quail continues through Feb. 17th.

Ducks, Geese Still Legal

Ducks and geese continue to be legal targets through January 20th and record kills are being reported by most hunting club operators in this area.

The season on jackknipe continues also through Feb. 17th and squirrel are legal throughout the year in this county.

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