Cautious Approach Seen On Suspension Of Grain Sales

[By Cong. J. J. Pickle]

The agriculture community is taking a cautious approach on President Carter's decision to suspend 17 million metric tons of grain to the Soviet Union. Farmers screamed bloody murder when the President acted in retaliation to the Russian invasion of Afghanistan. Up expected market disruptions are hard to take. Regardless of increased trade with Russia in recent years, the bottom line remains our markets will never be 100% secure when playing capitalism with communists.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has pledged to cushion the blow. Congress has set hearings for later this month to review the actions.

After the President's decision, grain cash prices and futures went down as expected. However, at the end of last week, four out of six commodities were priced higher than before the suspension. Two varieties of wheat have increased in price, while a third variety is slightly down. Corn and soybeans are both up, while sorghum is slightly behind. It appears the market is adjusting to the situation.

USDA is moving to take care of the additional surplus. Mexico just announced it will buy 4.8 million metric tons of additional grain this year, including 1.7 million metric tons of corn. The U.S. is also talking with other trade partners.

The Administration has announced a program to encourage gasohol production, utilizing some of the surplus. Gasohol is not our sole salvation in either the energy or commodities field, but it can play a role in using surplus grain and extending our supply of unleaded gasoline.

Although the program has not begun, USDA has pledged to buy all the surplus grain destined for Russia, to guarantee that no exporter will suffer a loss. Additional shipments are planned for the PL 480 Food for Peace Program. Loan rates will be increased to encourage more farmers to put crops into the farmer owned reserve, thereby removing grain from the market. This move is designed to take care of some slack, while helping hungry nations overseas.

Finally, the Administration is expected to announce a paid diversion program for next year, where farmers are paid to keep land fallow. Branded as wasteful in the past when people are hungry overseas, a diversion makes better sense now, to get the surplus out of the way.

These programs may not be easy for everyone to take. The actions so far are costing the government some $2.5 to $3 billion in fiscal years '80 and '81. A diversion program will also cost money. Some farmers may feel some additional sacrifices, but Congress will work to distribute the blow equally. But so far, the market is responding well. If Russia thinks it can be the world's bully, we must do our share, economically and militarily to show our disapproval.

Time To Control Soil Insects In Garden Plot

[By Leroy J. Hejdik
County Extension Agent]

Now is the time for Colorado County vegetable gardeners to start thinking about soil insect control. Control measures for soil insects should be applied 2 to 4 weeks before planting.

Most soil insects attack either the seed at planting time, or small tender plants. Insects in this group include wireworms, cutworms, white grubs, mole crickets, and various maggots or fly larvae.

Diazinon is suggested for use in controlling soil insects. For 1,000 square feet of surface area, use ¾ cup of 25% emulsion concentrate or ½ cup of 50% wettable powder in 2½ to 3 gallons of water. The insecticide should be applied to the surface and mixed thoroughly into the soil to a depth of 4 to 6 inches.

Before applying any pesticide, read the label and follow all directions.

Victoria Man Charged For Defrauding S.S.

A Victoria, Texas man pleaed guilty on Monday, Jan. 7 in the U.S. District Court, Corpus Christi, to one count of defrauding the Social Security Administration, according to Bruce Grady, manager of the Brenham Social Security Office. J. P. Young was charged with falsely representing that his deceased mother, Grace Young, was still living in order to continue to receive Social Security benefits on her behalf, Grady stated.

Sentencing is scheduled for February 14. The maximum sentence for such an offense is five years imprisonment and a $10,000 fine, Grady said.

Ray Bazinets Welcome Baby Girl Jan. 12

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bazinet of Wharton happily announce the arrival of a baby daughter born at 4:15 p.m. Sat., Jan. 12th, 1980 in the Sharpstown General Hospital in Houston.

The little lady, who has been named Eris Anne, weighed five pounds and eleven ounces at birth and measured eighteen and one-half inches in length.

She is also being welcomed by a sister, Dana Ray, 5; and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sanders of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Mary Bazinet of El Campo; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Mary Baca of El Campo.

Photo Special At Sportsman's Motel Next Tuesday

A photographer from Olan Mills Studio will be at Sportsman's Motel in Eagle Lake next Tuesday, Jan. 29th from 1 to 9 p.m. for a portrait special. An 8x10 color portrait will be offered for $1.50.

Jack K. Larsen

Jack Larsen Exec. VP Of Mesa Pet. Co.

Mesa Petroleum Co. (NYSE) announces that Jack K. Larsen, formerly group vice president, has been promoted to executive vice president effective immediately. He will continue to have primary responsibility for the company's exploration activities along with additional administrative duties.

Larsen joined Mesa in 1969 as vice president-exploration, was named group vice president in 1974 and was also elected to the company's Board of Directors during the same year. Prior to joining Mesa, he was employed at Southern Natural Gas Co. as exploration manager from 1964 to 1969, including division geologist, division exploration manager and chief of operations in the Gulf Coast areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

Keep up with all activities of the Rice School District by reading the Headlight.

Jerry Werlla, 52 Passes Away January 12th

Jerry Howard Werlla, age 52, passed away on January 12th, 1980, in a Houston hospital. He was a resident of Conroe, Texas, and a member of the First Assembly of God Church in that city. Last rites were held in Conroe Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Werlla was a former newscaster for the Conroe Radio Station and at the time of his death was associated with an electronics corporation in Houston.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Miller Werlla; a daughter, Jerri Lynn Werlla; son, Jay Howard Werlla, all of Conroe; and mother, Mrs. J. O. (Tennessee) Werlla of Houston, as well as a number of cousins. He was the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Miller of Eagle Lake.

Werlla had many friends in Eagle Lake, having visited here on numerous occasions, during early childhood, with his father the late Julius O. Werlla of Houston, formerly a resident of Eagle Lake; and with his grandparents, the late Carl and Julia Werlla, pioneer residents of the Eagle Lake community.

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COLORADO COUNTY, TEXAS - - FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

January 1, 1979 through December 31, 1979

Fund	Certificates of Deposit 1-1-79	Cash Balance 1-1-79	Transactions between Funds: Cash Received	Transfers between Funds: In	Transfers between Funds: Out	Cash Disbursed	Cash Balance 12-31-79	Certificates of Deposit 12-31-79
Road and Bridge Funds:								
Class 2	$ 76,000.00	36,980.19	156,839.16		49,089.35	94,811.48	49,918.52	62,000.00
Special	60,800.00	25,907.07	116,598.42		101,900.00		40,605.49	54,500.00
Right of Way Fund	40,000.00	46,206.86	427,223.59			472,997.14	433.31	36,000.00
Auto License		-0-	175,000.00		175,000.00		-0-	
Road & Bridge Precinct #1		5,065.86	3,282.33	95,926.05		96,355.28	7,918.96	
Road & Bridge Precinct #2		4,701.88	6,014.68	95,926.05		106,236.06	406.55	
Road & Bridge Precinct #3		564.76	2,007.95	145,015.40		147,515.61	72.50	
Road & Bridge Precinct #4		8,486.67	2,719.68	95,926.04		106,602.04	530.35	
Lateral Road Refund Acct.:								
Lateral Road Pct. #1		78.19		8,064.24		8,142.43	-0-	
Lateral Road Pct. #2		6,695.24	208.75	8,064.24		14,968.23	-0-	
Lateral Road Pct. #3		-0-		8,064.24		8,064.24	-0-	
Lateral Road Pct. #4		-0-		8,064.24			8,064.24	
Lateral Road Unallocated		-0-	32,256.96		32,256.96		-0-	
Total Lateral Road Refund Acct.	$	6,773.43	32,465.71	32,256.96	32,256.96	31,174.90	8,064.24	
Total Road & Bridge Funds	$ 176,800.00	134,686.72	922,151.52	465,050.50	358,246.31	1,055,692.51	107,949.92	152,500.00
Revenue Sharing Funds:								
Revenue Sharing Pct. #1	$	2,578.17		15,000.00		16,598.76	979.41	
Revenue Sharing Pct. #2		(18.44)		15,000.00		9,633.29	5,348.27	
Revenue Sharing Pct. #3		(182.27)		15,000.00		14,816.38	1.35	
Revenue Sharing Pct. #4		1,846.30		15,000.00		16,529.44	316.86	
Revenue Sharing General		42,223.00	169,992.28		60,000.00	147,977.68	4,237.60	30,000.00
Total Revenue Sharing Funds	$	46,446.76	169,992.28	60,000.00	60,000.00	205,555.55	10,883.49	30,000.00
General Fund	$ 111,400.00	32,419.80	284,734.32		2,000.00	254,752.23	60,401.89	89,500.00
Permanent Improvement Fund	$ 130,600.00	51,889.96	97,282.64			100,750.25	48,422.35	138,500.00
Officers Salary Fund	$ 100,000.00	95,897.76	470,180.25		11,500.00	536,449.43	18,110.58	175,000.00
Jury Fund	$ 5,000.00	1,096.73	12,755.44	13,500.00		24,818.94	2,533.23	3,500.00
Additional Ad Valorem Funds:								
Additional Ad Valorem Pct. 31	$ 89,625.00	19,496.63	42,060.43	62,690.63		118,951.78	5,295.91	50,000.00
Additional Ad Valorem Pct. #2		13,032.95	3,124.85	62,690.63		53,758.45	25,193.82	15,000.00
Additional Ad Valorem Pct. #3		137.24	104.38	62,690.63		62,869.85	62.40	
Additional Ad Valorem Pct. #4		(580.54)	1,739.59	62,690.64		59,833.34	4,016.35	
Additional Ad Valorem Unallocated	143,700.0	64,827.90	257,076.43		250,762.53		71,141.80	114,500.00
Total Additional Ad Valorem Funds	$ 233,325.00	96,914.18	304,209.52	250,762.53	250,762.53	295,413.42	105,710.28	179,500.00
Contingency Fund	$ 75,263.00	8,446.52	98,357.67		106,804.19		-0-	
Social Security Fund	$	15,557.32	95,181.87			93,804.51	16,934.68	
Interest & Sinking Fund		-0-	919.52				919.52	
Check Coll. & Processing Fund	$	-0-	10.00				10.00	
Unemployment Fund	$	-0-	4,401.15			3,728.36	672.79	
Payroll Fund	$	1,070.90		863,359.61	861,455.20		2,975.31	
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	$ 832,288.00	484,408.65	2,460,176.18	1,652,672.64	1,650,768.23	2,570,965.20	375,524.04	768,500.00

COLORADO COUNTY, TEXAS - - FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 31, 1979

Current Assets:		
Cash in First State Bank, Columbus, Texas	$ 396,055.94	
Minus Warrant Outstanding	20,531.90	
Total Cash on Hand December 31, 1979		$ 375,524.04
Certificates of Deposit-First State Bank		768,500.00
Total Current Assets		$1,144,024.04

The Fixed Assets of the County, unallocated, current and delinquent taxes, fines & fees, and interest and penalty thereon, are not included in the statement of December 31, 1979.

I, M. L. Briscoe, County Auditor of Colorado County, Texas, certify that the within and foregoing statement of beginning and ending balances, receipts and disbursements for the Calendar Year 1979 and as the close of business December 31, 1979 is true and correct.

M. L. Briscoe
M. L. Briscoe, County Auditor
Colorado County, Texas

"Depression Glass All Just a Fad"

That's what antique dealers and a few people predicted back in 1969. After ten years it is still growing strong.

The National Depression Glass Association, Inc., held their annual convention in Orlando back in July, hosted by the South Florida Depression Glass Club. The show and sale made a great impact on the public. New collectors are off and running.

The price increase in the past six years boggles the mind. Those few collectors who completed their dinnerware sets a few years ago are indeed lucky.

The following break down is the percentage increase based on prices six years ago to today. Dinner plates in the six most popular patterns:

Pink Mayfair	344%
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Green Princess	366%
Green Cherry Blossom	214%
Pink Sharon	200%
Pink Miss America	160%

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(Reprinted from "Depression Glass Daze" published Jan. 1, 1980, Otisville, MI 48463)

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Estate Planning, Investment Seminar At WCJC

"Coping in Times of Financial Turbulence, Estate Planning, Investments, Insurance and Company Benefits are topics of discussion for the second in a series of seminars sponsored by the Community Education Department at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton.

A "Personal and Financial Planning Seminar" is scheduled Saturday, Feb. 9 from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. in the Dixon Hansen Fine Arts Auditorium.

Registration fees of $5 may be paid at the seminar or in advance by writing to Yvette Grosvor, director of community education, WCJC, 911 Boling Highway, Wharton Texas 77488, phone 532-4560, extension 27.

Details about the session are available in a free brochure which reports that two representatives from Kanaly Trust Company in Houston, financial consultant Judy Bozeman and counselor and trust officer Steven P. Kanaly, will speak.

County Officials Conference

Challenges facing county government in the 1980s will be the theme of the 22nd annual County Judges and Commissioners Conference at the Ramada Inn in College Station, Feb. 5-7. Such key issues as energy and transportation will be discussed, and Gov. Bill Clements will deliver the keynote address.

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Davis, Stafford Named To WCJC Foundation Board

Roy Davis of Ganado and Harrison Stafford of Edna have been named directors of the Wharton County Junior College Foundation Board which receives and administers funds that benefit the college through donations, endowments, devises and bequests.

Stafford and Davis are prominent Gulf Coast rice farmers and ranchers who have served with distinction in many other educational, civic, charitable and humanitarian endeavors.

Both graduated from Wharton High School in 1929 and were teammates on the Tiger football team.

Serving with Davis and Stafford on the WCJC Foundation Board are Whartonians Sol Alpard, Carl Ferguson, Mrs. M. G. Johnson, Mrs. Jack F. Hutchins, Mrs. Julius LaDieu, Dr. R. D. Little, Dee McElroy, Irving Moore, Jr., Dr. L. Bolton Outlar, Jr. and Mrs. R. D. Wright; also, El Campoans Donald M. Duson and Guy F. Stovall, Jr.; Dr. Joe C. Yelderman of Needville; [illegible] Sealy; Richard Dobson of Egypt; R. B. Trull of Palacios; William H. Harrison of Eagle Lake; and Columbus residents Morris Hodges and W. A. Kuehar; also, Bay Citians Dr. Robert B. Kelly, Mrs. C. C. Mehrens, Bert C. Steves and John Wilson. Directors from Richmond include Charles Drewes, E. O. Mason, Hilmar G. Moore, Sr. and Milton Robinowitz.

Harrison Stafford

Roy Davis

Jerry Janek Found Dead Here Last Sat.

Jerry J. Janek, 60, a long time resident of Eagle Lake, was found dead at The Sewing Center at 102 Bootle Drive at 8:30 Saturday morning, apparently from a heart attack. Mr. Janek was found on a cot in the business place by the owner Mrs. Irene Skuca. Janek reportedly spent some nights in the business since he operated a Ram Leather Goods van from the location.

Eagle Lake Police Chief Lupe Villarreal and Justice of the Peace M. M. Jones were called to the scene after the body was located. Judge Jones held an inquest and ruled that the man apparently died at around 12:30 a.m. Saturday of an apparent heart condition since it was known that he was taking medication for a heart condition.

Funeral services were held for Mr. Janek at 10:00 a.m. Monday, Jan. 21st from the chapel of the Mill Bauer Funeral Home with the Rev. Tom Hanus, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, officiating. Interment followed in the St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery in Columbus. Serving as pallbearers were Leonard Girndt, Sr., Leonard Girndt, Jr., Laddie Lee Krenek, Ben Richter, Alfred Girndt, and Joe Koudelka.

Jerry Johnnie Janek was born June 18th, 1919 in Weimar, Texas the son of John and Carrie Janek. He resided in Weimar before coming here.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. L. J. (Edna) Schilling of Garwood, Mrs. Ewald Girndt of Columbus and Mrs. Agnes Smith of Baytown; and other relatives and friends. A sister, Mrs. Vlasta Rau, preceded him in death only three weeks ago on Dec. 31st.

EL CYO Goes To Brenham Deanery Meet

On January 13th, the members of the Eagle Lake CYO went to Sealy to the Brenham Deanery meeting. At the meeting, the election of officers took place in which Philip Leopold, president of the Eagle Lake CYO, was elected co-historian of the Brenham Deanery for the upcoming year. Among other subjects of discussion were dues and reports from each CYO about the projects that they accomplished the past year.

After the business meeting, everybody went to a pizza parlor and ate as much pizza as they could, compliments of the Sealy CYO. Reporter.

EGYPT NEWS

[Mrs. B. H. Tolliver]

Mrs. Jerald W. Obenhaus spent the past week in Houston.

Ed Zaskoda was a recent visitor in Industry for a Homecoming.

Mrs. Rex Sanders had the misfortune to break her arm when she fell at her home. She was a patient in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital for several days, and is able to be at home now.

Michael Hershey of Austin spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Olive D. Hershey.

The Rev. Terry Jesse of Houston gave the Sunday morning service at the Bonus Baptist Church. He, Mrs. Jesse and their small daughter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Peikert.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Donald Obenhaus and the other members of the family in the passing of her mother, Mrs. Teresa Guffey of Wharton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Smith and family and Mrs. Charles Breeding of San Antonio were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Northington III.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dittmar, Jr. and small son Wesley spent Sunday in Wharton with Mrs. Dittmar's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Francis.

Mrs. Will Meriwether spent Sunday in Rock Island with the family of her nephew, Reese Wynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Johnson and daughter of Louise visited with Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Peikert, Saturday.

Friends and neighbors of Leland Eisel extend deepest sympathy to him and other members of the family in the passing of his father, George E. Eisel, in Wharton.

Miss Elizabeth Kresek of Louise spent the weekend at home from her teaching duties.

With the sick folks of the community, Otis Brooks, Sr. is a patient in Gulf Coast Medical Center, and Howard Houston returned home last week from several days' stay in Caney Valley Memorial Hospital.

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Police Chief & Mrs. Villarreal Welcome Daughter

Eagle Lake Police Chief and Mrs. Guadalupe (Lupe) Villarreal are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter in Eagle Lake Community Hospital Thursday, January 17th at 2:44 in the afternoon. The little lady has been named Julia Maria and at birth she weighed seven pounds and fourteen ounces and measured nineteen and one-half inches.

The little lady is being welcomed into the family by a sister, Delicia, who is seven years old; and a brother, Guadalupe III, 14 months of age.

Julia Maria's maternal grandmother is Julia Ojeda of Austin and maternal grandfather is Charles Ojeda, Sr. of Austin and her paternal grandmother is Maria Villarreal of Elgin. Bernarda Ojeda of Austin is the newborn's maternal great grandmother.

HOSPITAL News Notes

Patients (Jan. 21):

Eagle Lake: Mrs. Carolyn Randall, Mrs. Lula Chunney, Miss Willie Farrow, Willard Stuart, Joseph Dangler, Mrs. Dorothy Newsom, Mrs. Gladys Pidgeon, Mrs. Oliveria Villarreal, Baby Girl Villarreal, Mrs. Donna Stephens, Baby Boy Stephens, Charles Viaclosky, Louis Schneider, Mrs. Bobbie Green, Mrs. Lola Moore, Miss Carolyn Morgan, Mrs. Bernice Karber, Miss Barbara Toliver.

Garwood: Charles Pavlu; Schulenburg: Gregory Kolenovsky; Hallettsville: Dale Kolachy; Columbus: Mrs. Telesfora Banegas; Michael Kulhanek, Mrs. Lottie Wright; East Bernard: Rose Ann Luna; Altair: Mrs. Margie Wiese, Lemmie McGrew, Sr.; Yoakum: Mrs. Mary Coronado, Baby Boy Coronado; Dallas: Mrs. Beth Bell; Houston: Mrs. Jewel Starke; Alleyton: Mrs. Adela Ruiz, Mrs. Pauline Gundelach; Rock Island: J. D. Bisson; Rosenberg: Mrs. Lillian Marx; Lissie: Willie Schroeder.

Dismissals:

Eagle Lake: Miss Martha Hernandez, Sidney Miller, Johnny Hernandez, Mrs. Mary Samora, Miss Peggy Ashton, Miss Hattie Weishuhn, Mrs. Emma Green, Stephen Hernandez, Mrs. Gladys Jackson, Mrs. Ada Briggs, Esmeralda Medina, Antonio Garcia, William Powell, Mrs. Blanca Rivera, Mrs. Helen Pilkington, Miss Sandy Noska, Miss Mae Coleman, Enemesio Montana, Kameka Davis, George Rios, Miss Karen Franklin, Mrs. Ora Mae Baker, Dwayne Lopez, Mrs. Lillie Mae Williams.

Lexington: Mrs. Jeannie Dubose; Garwood: Mrs. Sharon Till, Baby Boy Till; Columbus: Reginald Glenn, Thomas Ontiverous, Wesley Knigge, Mrs. Mentha Williams, Mrs. Rebecca Banda; Sheridan: Miss Bonnie Mathison; Alleyton: Mrs. Eufemia Garcia; Brenham: Leon Roberts; Port Arthur: McAffin Jones; Fayetteville: Mrs. Rosalie Graeter, Baby Girl Graeter; El Campo: Miss Patricia Smith; Schulenburg: Gregory Kolenovsky.

Lakeside Irrigation Pres. Discusses Plans For 1980 Rice Crop Tuesday

Lakeside Irrigation Co., Inc. of Eagle Lake hosted its annual barbecue luncheon for rice producers in the area at noon Tuesday at which time LICO's president Dan A. Thornton discussed availability of water for irrigating the 1980 rice crop.

Thornton discussed litigation which is underway, in which Lakeside Irrigation Co. and Garwood Irrigation Co. are among the plaintiffs, against the permit which has been issued by the Texas Water Board for another dam on the upper reaches of the Colorado River. The suit is asking that the Water Board revoke the permit which has been tentatively issued on the project.

He told the rice producers and landowners that "Lakeside Irrigation Co., Inc. is continually working to keep its operating costs as low as possible. One of the major projects is the installation of a fifth pump at the company's river plant in order to increase its capacity but still use smaller motors in order to conserve power. A final permit from the Water Board for installation of the pump is pending, although the LICO president said that preliminary tests have shown considerable savings can be effected once the pump installation is approved.

LICO has also filed an application to increase the pumping rate from the river from 240,000 gallons per minute to 280,000 gallons per minute and this application is pending and has been since its filing in 1977.

Water Acreage Pending

Thornton also told the farmers that LICO is on a "year to year agreement" with the Lower Colorado River Authority on the number of acres to be permitted for irrigation. The year to year agreement calls for 20,000 acres, but for the past several years, an additional 7,000 have been permitted and the application has been filed for that amount this year. In the event this acreage is cut back, he indicated that rice growers in the area will have to reduce acreage watered from the canal system, correspondingly.

He praised the cooperation of the rice producers in "keeping water losses cut down to a minimum." He noted in 1978 an average of 4.53 acre feet of water were required for first and second crops and in 1979 this was reduced to 3.9 acre feet, well below the average for irrigating rice.

Thornton asked the producers to plan their water needs at least 24 hours in advance in order that canal bosses will be required to make only one round of the system daily in order to conserve gasoline and reduce operating costs.

Irrigation Rates Increase

The Lakeside Irrigation Co. president reminded the producers that LCRA directors have approved a 25% increase in cost of water for irrigating the first crop and a 313% increase for second crop irrigation. "At this time, I have been unable to determine why there was such a big increase in the second crop water, except that the company could be trying to equalize the costs for first and second crop irrigation."

He noted that the cost for pumping water from Lake Travis has been reported at $32 per acre foot which would make the cost of irrigating rice, using last year's 3.9 average over $120 per acre.

He announced that the rates to be charged by LICO for irrigating first crop rice in 1980 will advance from $40 to $42.50 per acre and the cost for irrigating second crop rice from $10.50 to $14.50 per acre.

A delicious barbecued beef and sausage luncheon was served by Mikeska Catering of Columbus, following the invocation by Frank Davidson.

The median age of U.S. farm residents in 1978 was 33.8, compared to 29.5 for the non-farm population.

SHERIDAN NEWS

By Velma Kutzer
(234-3988)

Sheridan PTS Plans Projects

The Sheridan Parents and Teachers met in their regular business meeting at 8:30 p.m. January 15th in the school cafeteria.

The first and second grades presented the program, directed by teachers Darnell Varley and Elaine Rice. Room count was won by the first grade and Carmen Jackson won the pot plant door prize.

Hostesses were Ethel Potter, Jean Lanyon, Diana Wunderlich, Cathy Fudge and Lola Greak.

New projects and goals for the new year were discussed. These will include building an outside court near the north end of the swimming pool for basketball and volleyball. The P.T.S. has donated $250.00 to the Community Center for use of the building in past activities.

President Mary Ashley invites everyone to attend the Feb. 19th meeting to hear and meet Harold D. King, Superintendent of the Rice School District.

Good Fishing Trip

Leon Williamson, Billy Sanders, John Bobby and James Williamson enjoyed fishing Saturday night at Lake Somerville. They reported having a good catch of crappie.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. David Fuller, Gary Fuller and Dennis Fuller, Melvin Fuller and James Myrick all enjoyed spending the weekend in Houston visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Butch Brinkmeyer.

Visiting in Houston Sunday with relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rodriguez.

Those spending Tuesday of last week in Houston shopping were Gayle Cobie, Mary Reinhardt, Mrs. S. G. Pence and Jackie Smith.

New Streets

The county has recently opened several new streets in town. County commissioner Otto Loessin has cleared and established several streets in the southwest part of town, but the weather has stopped the work.

John Everett DAR Hears Defense Report

John Everett Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met January 17th at the Nesbitt Memorial Library in Columbus with Mrs. Julius Rhodes and Mrs. Joe Hastedt as co-hostesses.

The meeting was opened with Mrs. David G. Gunn, Vice-Regent, presiding. Prayer was given by Miss Lee Nesbitt; the pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Mrs. Jack Brasher; and the American's Creed by Miss Kathryn McRee. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Homer Koliha and the treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Gunn.

Mrs. R. L. Praytor gave the National Defense program on "Drafting Women for the Armed Services".

The officers and committee chairmen gave reports for the year.

Refreshments were served during the social hour by the hostesses. Reported.

Greek One Acts Slated At WCJC

The Wharton County Junior College Green Room Players start off the 1980 Spring Semester with an evening of Greek One Acts according to Nanda Gilbreath, publicity chairman.

Auditions were held earlier this month. Among those included in the casts is Brenda Argo of Eagle Lake.

The production dates are February 18, 19 and 20 at the Dixon Hansen Fine Arts Theatre. For more information call 532-4560, extension 67.

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