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ABOUT TOWN

At least the 100 hours of service as a volunteer Park Lady... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bohrens on observing their fifth wedding anniversary on Saturday, February 9.

Daughter Born For Gary Harris

Elizabeth Celeste Harris was a welcome arrival into the family of Mr. and Mrs. Gary L. Harris of Missouri City at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Rosewood Hospital in Houston.

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Restoration Driver Escapes Serious Injury In Truck Jackknife

The clean up, 75 percent of the exterior work, 70 percent of the interior work, and 50 percent of the toilet accessories, fenders and blinds, 80 percent of the weatherstripping and three-halves, 50 percent of glass and glazing, 50 percent of mill work, 50 percent of rough carpentry, 50 percent of the plumbing, 50 percent of the heating, air conditioning and the county has made payment of 40 percent of the profit.

In the motion to approve the \$85,000 payment to Circle Double, C. Conestoga, Ottis Lomas, Rafael Venetosa and "Crockett" Layton, the vote for and Commissioner Bill Stiles agreed.

Stiles agreed that a certified architect from the architectural firm should make periodic inspections. He contends that some work is "being covered up with putty and patching" that should be replaced, including in particular window sills.

Charles Clark, owner of the car, said that he had estimated that although he had estimated the project, work to date has been progressing well ahead of schedule. He estimated that from 55 to 60% of the work is completed, but agreed that the finishing process which are coming up will move along much more slowly.

Clark said that some of his sub-contractors are becoming concerned because of questioning about work done. Clark asked that in the future that any questions concerning the restoration be referred to his superintendent (his brother, Albert Clark) or to himself or to the architect.

Wilcock added that it would be helpful if county officials and the citizens in general note any discrepancies to the county judge's office for reference to the architect and contractor for proper action.

Meeting with the group were members of the Restoration Advisory Committee, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hopkins, Miss Lee Nesbitt, Ernest Lawrence and J. T. Pilkington representing D. R. Wintermann.

In the action to approve the \$85,000 payment to Circle Double "C", the order also called for issuance of \$85,000 in certificates of obligation to make the payment.

Plan For Visitation Day

A New Unit man escaped serious injury at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, as his 1975 Mack truck and tractor jackknifed when heading east on Highway 90A west of Eagle Lake.

Highway Patrolman Andy Taquard investigated the accident. He reported that Henry John Goshman was driving a truck owned by Jones Fisher, Inc. when he lost control of the truck and hit an unlevel portion of the road and started a slide sideways.

Goshman received injuries to his head and arm and some cuts and bruises. He was brought to Eagle Lake Community Hospital by his wife, who was called to the scene for treatment of the injuries. Heavy damage was done to the truck.

Accident on IH-10 In another accident investigated at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, by Trooper Taquard, a 1970 Ford driven east on IH-10 went out of control and went off the roadway into a field and hit a tree.

The driver, who was identified as Robert W. C. Reed, who served as secretary of the club for many years, was the program for the meeting on Wednesday last week.

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TV Dinners for Prisoners Would Be More Costly!

Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Broussard brought figures to the Colorado County Commissioners' Court Monday showing that feeding TV meals to prisoners in the county jail would be much more costly than the present method used.

Broussard added, "we're not complaining, but this information should be made aware of the court should be aware of in discussing costs of feeding confined prisoners."

County Judge Lester J. Craek said that there has been some thought for some time for the county to go together with Columbus city officials to discuss this situation, and he noted that this might be a good time to initiate this discussion.

Jail Renovations The judge brought some good news from the recent meeting of the state association of county judges and commissioners in College Station, when Robert E. Vienna, executive director of the Texas Jail Commission, told those attending the conference that "Colorado County is just a mite behind certification of its county jail."

Vienna told the group that this county lacks correction of only 1 major deficiency, in electrical areas. Included among these are: some rewiring which the county has been having trouble in getting bids for to be done; providing a generator for emergency use; and in installing communication between the main station. Also some work remains to be done on completion of a recreation area; and Broussard said he will testify before the commission soon in hopes of getting a variance on the deficiency of having automatically operated doors on the second floor of the jail.

Judge Craek noted that the county is "almost there" and added that once certification is complete the county will join an elite group with certified jails.

Feb. 11-17 Is Classroom Teacher Week

Eagle Lake Mayor Elmer Struss signed a proclamation this week designating the week of February 11-17, 1980 as Texas Classroom Teacher Week.

Jane Frazar Wells To Wed Clay E. Crawford March 22nd

The engagement of Jane Frazar Wells to Clay E. Crawford, son of Dr. and Mrs. E. Stanley Crawford of Houston, has been announced by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rush Wells, Jr. of Eagle Lake, parents of the bride.

Miss Wells, a planner and retail sales manager with Norton Ditto, attended San Marcos Academy and graduated from Eagle Lake High School and from Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri.

The prospective bride is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Newton Frazar and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rush Wells of Eagle Lake.

Mr. Crawford graduated from St. John's School, Houston, and the University of Pennsylvania, and received a J.D. degree from the Bates College of Law of the University of Houston. He is an associate with the law firm of Smith, Bacon & Murdaugh in Houston.

Mr. Crawford is the grandson of Mrs. John Clay Easter and the late Mr. Easter of Jasper, Alabama, and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd Crawford of Evergreen, Alabama.

The wedding will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 22nd at the home of the bride, Mrs. Robert Rush Wells, Jr., 1100 S. 24th St., Houston, Texas.

Landowners Must File For Open Space Exemption

All landowners must file forms with their local tax offices by April 1 if they want to get their homestead exemptions and special agricultural or open-space valuations for their land. It is very important that you file these forms because you may be faced with a large tax increase if you do not.

School Bd. OK's Purchase Of 2 Buses

The Rice School District's board of education, in regular session Monday night, authorized the purchase of two new school buses, one full-size and one a mini-bus, approved a textbook committee report; and heard a report by Supt. Harold King on the construction of a new addition to the Eagle Lake Middle School.

The textbook committee, chaired by Assistant Supt. Charles DeShazo, recommended approval of new textbooks in the areas of Computer Mathematics, Civil Government, Automotive Trades, Beginning and Advanced Typewriting and Health Education.

Supt. King presented a report on actual and projected mileage for Rice school buses. The report showed that in the next four years the district will have six or 130,000 miles. He recommended that a schedule of 1.2-1.2 be used for replacing the buses over the next four years, and also recommended that a mini-bus or van be purchased along with a regular size bus for the 1980-81 year.

He estimated cost of a new 71-passenger bus with automatic transmission at \$15,500 plus 55 gallon gasoline tank (the latter 2 are extra options) at around \$19,000. Since the cost of a mini-bus was estimated at only \$1500 more than a van, it would provide more versatility to the district (cost of a 19-passenger mini-bus was estimated at \$14,000 the board voted to buy a full size 71-passenger bus and also a 19-passenger mini-bus.

Migrant Program The board approved participation in the State Migrant Co-op Program for 1980-81 so that planning of a budget for funding may be prepared. The board approved the migrant program for the remainder of the 1979-80 year at the January meeting. A report "I" prepared by the state board on the funds to be made available to the Rice District for carrying out this program for school children of migrant workers.

New Grading Policy OK'd Also, the board approved amendments to the board policy handbook relating to the grading system, promotion and retention and graduation requirements for the quarter or semester system this year. A full report on the new policy will be published in next week's paper.

Work Underway At ELMS Supt. King reported that work has started on the new addition at Eagle Lake Middle School but pointed out that progress has been slow because of bad weather.

Tom and Katie Northrup of Columbus, representing the Colorado County Fair Association, met with the board during the open forum session prior to the regular meeting Monday night. They outlined plans for the 1980 Colorado County Fair which is planned early in September, 1980. They discussed the various activities in which the youth of the Rice District and the remainder of the county can participate and the benefits of such participation.

Local Man Charged With Resisting Arrest

Charges of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest were filed this week against an Eagle Lake man, David Rodriguez, following investigation of an incident at the Midnight Bar at 11:40 p.m. last Saturday.

City Patrolman Roy Willford reported that he made the investigation, while on duty at the Midnight Bar Saturday night and that Rodriguez resisted arrest on the disorderly conduct charge.

The disorderly conduct charge will be heard in city court and the resisting arrest charge in county court.

2 Trucks Collide On Boothe Dr. Last Thursday

Eagle Lake city police investigated the collision of two trucks and trailers in the 100 block of Boothe Drive at 8:25 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 7th.

Chief of Police Luce Villarreal was the investigating officer. He reported that a truck driven by Otis Lee Lady of Eagle Lake and another by Lawrence P. Wagner of Eagle Lake were involved in the collision.

The report stated that the truck driven by Lady made an improper right turn and had a defective turn signal and collided with the truck driven by Wagner, dragging the second truck for a distance before coming to a stop.

There was some damage to the trucks, but the drivers escaped injury.

Highway Dept. Asks For Bids For Reflective Markers

Bids for the installation of raised reflective markers on over 511 miles of highways in Calhoun, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Gonzales, Jackson, Lavaca, Victoria and Wharton Counties are scheduled to be received in February by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

Yoakum District Engineer Carl Ramert said the new markers are designed to delineate more effectively the traffic lanes at night and during inclement weather, thus providing a greater degree of safe driving.

Lane-line markers for four-lane roads are a new development. They are a white light reflector for vehicles moving in the correct direction, but will show a red light reflection for those traveling the wrong way.

Ben W. Bohulsky of the Yoakum is the department's engineer in charge of the project.

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at her home in Eagle Lake. Each guest was served a pleasing party plate after the games.

Sympathy Extended Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Terry Brown and the other members of the family in the passing of her grandmother, Mrs. Bruno Winkels of Wharton, who died on Tuesday of last week. Services were held at the Holy Family Catholic Church on Friday with burial in the Evergreen Memorial Park.

Dr. JENNINGS B. COOK, OPTOMETRIST Eye Examined - Contact Lenses - Glasses Fitted Office Hours: 9:00 to 6:00 - Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 12:00 Other Hours by Appointment

Aggricultural Observations

Observations from Texas A&M Research Site Eagle Lake 1/

Table with columns: Date, Air Temp, Soil Temp, Evap, Wind, Rain. Rows for Feb. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.

1/ In cooperation with National Weather Service & Texas Water Development Board

2/ Sheltered air temperatures

Poor weather prospects could be discouraging to early season planting in the Coastal Bend. Weather the rest of this week will restrict field work in both the Rice Belt and Coastal Bend. A thick band of clouds, extending well to the west, covers the region and radar reports revealed light rain and showers moving eastward Tuesday morning.

Forecasters expected the rain to decrease by Wednesday through Saturday.

Additional light rain and poor drying in between wet periods won't allow much if any seedbed preparation or herbicide incorporation for the next five days or more. It looks doubtful that an extended warm and dry spell will arrive anytime soon. You may want to use this thick soil to finish up any equipment maintenance or short repair. Livestock care won't be as demanding under milder temperatures. However, frost precautions could be appreciated by the wet pasture and feed pen conditions.

February 1 marked the start up of an expanded soil temperature network for the Coastal Bend. It will consist of 160 highlights and 100 soil thermometers on the ground. The network will be used to monitor soil temperatures. Through the week, soil temperatures were in the 60's and 70's. Forecasts are for a wet and cloudy week with some rain and high temperatures.

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