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County OK's \$85,000 Bill On C'house
 Colorado County Commissioners' Court in session Monday authorized a claim for \$85,000 for work done during the period Dec. 20th to Jan. 25th on the courthouse restoration project and authorized the issuance of a Certificate of Obligation for that amount.
 The claim was submitted by the contractor, Circle Double "C" of Woodlands, Texas and payment was recommended by the project director, Arthur J. Willmott.
 The payment of \$85,000, added to \$175,000 which has already been approved for payment, makes the total claims by the contractor of \$260,000 on his contract bid of \$267,200.
 The county however retains 10% of the claim as assurance of completion of the project in accordance with the contract, hence the total payment actually made to date amounts to \$200,000.00.
 Charles Clark, owner of the contractor firm, met with the court Monday to discuss the claim and the court was satisfied that the work was completed. He had estimated that it would take ten months to complete the restoration project, but now anticipates completion well ahead of that date.
 Judge Crane reported to the court that the county has received a check for \$5,162.50 from the Texas-Historical Commission as that agency's final payment of Phase I of the courthouse restoration work done on the roof of the courthouse.
 Judge Crane noted that the State Legislature has now excluded public buildings from further financial assistance under restoration projects.
 Approve Resolutions
 The court also approved resolutions of respect to the family of the late Tillie M. Aschenbeck, who served for a short time as commissioner in Precinct 3 following the death of her husband, and to Kermit Kieker a long-time election judge in the Freisburg Precinct No. 13.
 Mrs. Aschenbeck served as commissioner from the period of April 15 to Dec. 31, 1956 after the death of her husband, Arthur Aschenbeck. Mr. Kieker served as alternate judge in the Freisburg precinct beginning Oct. 1, 1967 and as presiding judge from July 14, 1969 to Jan. 14, 1980.
 The court approved telephone applications from Colorado Valley Telephone Co. for laying of new lines on the Cummings-Stain Road in Precinct 3 and accepted a letter from Exxon Company pledging liability for damages in County Road 101 that might be incurred by the company's heavy equipment to be moved to the Alvin R. Pavlovic oil and gas drilling site on Precinct 1. The court voted to accept a similar letter from Aro Company for liability for a pending liability for damages which might be incurred by that company which is moving equipment to a deep drilling site on Lester Schindler land. The Aro approval was contingent upon receipt of a pending liability from an authorized company representative. This will be in Precinct 3.
 after which Mrs. Dale Casady, department leader, discussed the rights of the week of Feb. 16 and 17 when Dr. George Gaston will meet with the church for conferences. She advised that Adult II Department will meet at the Robert Griffith home on Saturday night, Feb. 16th at 6:30 for a light supper and conference time with Dr. Gaston. All department members and associates are urged to attend.
 Willie York was elected class president and outreach leader of the class. Group Captains elected were Mrs. Roy A. Van Nort and Mrs. Roy W. Stott. Mrs. Herman Booher is the capable teacher of the Martha Class.
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SPORTS

County Sells Lot At Garwood For \$320
 A 25-foot by 145-foot lot of property in the townsite of Garwood was sold to the Garwood Lions Club on its bid of \$320 in action taken by the Colorado County Commissioners' Court Monday.
 Garwood Lions had asked about purchase of the lot which is located next to the City Cafe and the Garwood Lions Hall, both owned by the club. The club offered the only bid received by the court.
 The county acquired title to the property in a tax sale conducted in 1964 and the Garwood Lions requested the amount of taxes which were delinquent on the property at the time of the sale.
Men's Bowling Tourney Feb. 29, Mar. 1-2
 The Colorado Valley Men's Bowling Association Tournament will be held at Skull Creek Lanes in Altair on Friday, Feb. 29 and Saturday and Sunday, March 1 and 2.
 Entry blanks may be obtained at the desk at the lanes, say the Graham owners of Skull Creek Co.
Women's Bowl Tour Feb. 22-24
 The Colorado County Women's Bowling Association is planning the Annual City Tourney to be held February 22, 23 and 24. The ladies will compete in team play, singles and doubles.
 For more information you can contact Skull Creek Lanes or Ernie Sommerlatte.



Garwood Raider Girls' Cage Team
 The Rice Raider girls wound up their District 20AA basketball season during the past week, closing out the year with losses to Sealy on Friday night and Hempstead on Tuesday.
 The loss to Hempstead on Tuesday night put Hempstead, Sealy and the Rice Raiders in a three-way tie for the second round title. According to district guidelines Sealy becomes the outright district champion since they were the first half winner.
 The Raiders officially knocked themselves out of the race last Friday night, suffering a 53 to 50 loss to Sealy in Raider Gym. The loss was their second in second half district action and fourth in league play. Rice, coached by Reuben Wunderlich and Paula Valis is the defending district champion but this season could not regain the "magic" that won them the crown and gained the Raiders a berth in the Regional Tournament.
 Despite their failure to regain that title, the Raiders can boast of an overall good season. Going into Tuesday night's action they were 19-6 for the season and the future looks even more promising.
 Only one player, Gwen Black, will be lost to graduation as the bulk of the "varsity" squad is eligible to return. Both the freshmen and the junior varsity had successful seasons and could provide added depth to the varsity next year.
 Law To Sealy
 To action against Sealy last Friday, the freshmen and JV Raiders both were victorious while the varsity lost.
 Mabel Bluntson pumped in 22 and Kim Wunderlich added 13 points to lead the freshmen to a 47 to 20 win in the opener. In the JV game it was Gloria Amos with 22 and Sealy with 10 that led to a 27 to 21 win.
 In the varsity game it was Sealy winning by a score of 53 to 50. Joyce Clayton led Rice scoring with 23 points and Patricia Banks added 12.
Split With Hempstead
 The Raiders suffered a disappointing 38 to 37 loss to Hempstead on Tuesday night, losing the race in a three-way tie which killed any hopes for Royal to win the second half Royal would have won the second round had they ended in a two way tie on alone at the top.
 In that game, Yolanda McFarland Rice scoring with 14 points.
 In the junior varsity contest in Hempstead the Raiders edged out a win 32 to 30. Gloria Amos with 12 points in the game to lead Rice scorers.
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Raiders Girls End-Year With 19-9 Cage Record
Sesly Is The District Champion
Coach Darden Looking Toward Successful Rice Track Season
Six Team Members In Astrodome Meet This Saturday
 With the winding down of the basketball season, attention turns to the Rice Raiders who have already begun track, baseball and tennis workouts.
 Coach Clifton Darden will lead up the Rice varsity track team this season and several members of their team will participate in their first meet this Saturday.
 The meet, Brooks Invitational, will be held in the Astrodome in Houston and will feature some of the top high school, college and open division amateur athletes from throughout the Houston area, Texas and the nation. A few of the more popular athletes include sprinters Houston McTeer and Harvey Glazer and high jumper Dwight Stoner.
 Six Raiders participating in the high school division of the competition, including Robert Barrion in the pole vault, Roger Fry in the 100 yard dash and Craig Wicks, David Long, Ricky Toliver and Bruno Leal in the mile relay.
 Coach Darden expects the team to be a top contender in the field events.
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Domestic Rice Consumption Is Increasing, Rice Council Says
 (By Nelson Antosh Houston Chronicle Agriculture Editor)
 More people in the United States are eating more rice than ever before, according to officials of the Houston-based Rice Council for Market Development.
 "In discussion with rice mills, food brokers, wholesalers and others in the food retail and food service business, the Rice Council has come to a basic conclusion: the sale of rice domestically has increased more rapidly in the last 12 to 15 months than ever before," officials said Thursday in a report to the membership of the Texas Rice Council, one of its state organizations.
 Furthermore, a recent report by the U.S. Department of Agriculture predicts that rice consumption will increase about 5 percent during the 1979-80 marketing year, almost double the rate of growth in prior years.
 Preliminary figures from the USDA point to a "surprising" per capita consumption of 9.1 pounds per person in 1978. However, this estimate may be optimistic, said Bill Goldsmith, executive vice president, Curtis Leonard, the council's state representative, and Si Grider, director of international relations. In recent years per capita consumption has been approximately eight pounds.
 "One Iranian eats as much rice as 10 of us," Grider told the group of farmers assembled in the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.
 Another possibility, also presently dimmed by politics, is Russia. The Russians annually import about 300,000 tons of rice, but in past years the United States has only supplied a small portion, ranging from a high of 70,000 tons to a low of 10,000 tons, he said.
 Grider made a trip into the principal rice growing area of Russia in late 1979 at the invitation of the Russian minister of agriculture. This area is on the north side of the Black Sea. Russia's rice belt stretches more than 5,000 miles across the country. Total annual production is said to be about 2,500,000 tons.
 "This decade will be a good one for rice exports, Grider believes. "In the next 10 years there will be 1 billion more people in the world. It's not wheat, corn or potatoes they will be wanting. Rice is our favorite food," said Grider.
Mrs. York Elected Martha SS Class President
 Fourteen members and associates of the First Baptist Church's Martha Sunday School Class met at the home of Mrs. W. L. Bauer on Monday night, February 11th.
 The business portion of the meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Clara May Nash. There were reports from various committees

HOSPITAL News Notes
 Patients (Feb. 11):
 Sumner, Charles V. Vicksburg, Mrs. Selma Taylor, 85, Nolle Shell, Francisco Solis, Randolph Buffington, III, Mrs. Gay Engelhard, Mrs. Ardelia Pettus, Mrs. Olivia Rodriguez, Mrs. Mandy Thomas, Sabino Gordoza, Vered McGrew, Juan Valgraha, Luis Posada, Lucy Moore, Jermaine Booker, Mrs. Pauline Packer, Horace Norris, Mrs. Elizabeth Kany, Columbus, Mrs. Myrtle Simmons, Miss Patty Stallman, Lasse Willie Schroeder, Aleyton, Herman Moore, Ms. Annette Huff, Mrs. Rock Island, Mrs. Evelyn Speck, Sheridan, Mrs. Debra Wilson, Baby Girl Wilson, East Bernard, Mrs. Anita Alanis, La Grange, Edgar Angel, Houston, John Brown, New Ulm, Mrs. Shirley Woods, "Baby Boy Woods."
 Dismissals:
 Eagle Lake: Mrs. Bernice Karber, Mrs. Susan Wilkerson, Lucie Vance, Rosel Roberts, Mrs. Milton Victoria, Gary Trach, Mrs. Elnora Castille, Mrs. Christine Schneider, Mrs. Lue Wolfe, Juan Gonzalez, Mrs. Mary Veselka, Elizabeth Tillman, Valeria Yanez, Wayne Shiffert, Harold Thomas.
 El Campo: Mrs. Betty Stewart, Annie Lemmie McGrew, Sr., Columbus, Richard Littlehales, Mrs. Haze Scott, John Denzler, Mrs. Barbara Grasson, Moore, Mrs. Carolyn Alvord, Mrs. Hester Hurd, Goldings Henry Wolfe, Mrs. Dorothy Moore, Rock Island, Mrs. Evelyn Speck, East Bernard, Mrs. Anita Alanis, Sealy, E. N. Bandy, Hallettsville, Miss Kelly Keaton.
 10th at 6:30 for a light supper and conference time with Dr. Gaston. All department members and associates are urged to attend.
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Rec. Center Dues Are Due By Mar. 1st
 Rules Cited For Use Of Golf Course By School Students
 Gen. Joe N. Frazier, president of the Eagle Lake Recreation Center's golf club, reminds members that annual dues, or a portion thereof as detailed below, must be paid by March 1st of each calendar year. Failure to pay any portion of dues by March 1st will disqualify members from play in membership tournaments held thereafter.
 Dues may be paid annually by March 1st, semi-annually half on Jan. 1st, half on July 1st, or quarterly, Jan. 1st, April 1st, July 1st and Oct. 1st.
 He also cited the following rules in effect at the golf course for students using the golfing facilities:
 Golf teams at the high school and junior high school level are encouraged to use the course but there must be control exercised while student groups use the golf course. The Board of Directors, therefore, establishes the rule that school golf teams may use the course for practice without charge while supervised by the golf coach (each coach must be present on the course).
 School golf team members using the course for play or practice at any time the golf coach is not present to supervise shall pay the appropriate green fee if said team member or parents have not paid current dues to be members of the Eagle Lake Recreation Center.
 For school tournaments, visiting school teams are to pay a green fee.
 The golf coach or coaches of a heavy consolidated SED shall be issued a complimentary membership in the Eagle Lake Recreation Center. The superintendent of schools shall designate these coaches each year.
Student Membership
 The Eagle Lake Recreation Center offers a student membership, available from Sept. to Sept. The annual dues are \$25.00, payable to the Recreation Center, in care of E. J. Parma, P. O. Box 424, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.
 The membership allows the student playing privileges only, and is available to any Rice District student whose parents are not participating members.
 The farm-to-retail marketing bill for food in the U.S. is estimated at \$163 billion for 1979, up \$19 billion or 13 percent from 1978.
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Garwood Boys' Basketball Team
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 Photo by Bert Tise

ELMS 8th Boys Take 2nd In Lamar Tourney
 The Eagle Lake Middle School eighth grade Raiders took second place honors in the Lamar Optimists Basketball Tournament held in Rosenberg during the past weekend. The action concludes the season for the Raiders. All other ELMS teams finished play two weeks ago.
 The eighth graders, coached by Dale Norris, finish the season with an impressive 19-5 record. All other ELMS teams finished play two weeks ago.
 The Raiders opened their final action of the year in the Fayetteville Tournament on Friday against Moulton and lost 41 to 38 in a real close contest. The Raiders led through most of the game, at one time by 12 points, but fell behind late in the game to lose 41 to 38. Mel Pratt had 15 in that game for Garwood with Kenny Johnson adding 16.
 The loss put the Raiders in the consolation bracket against Sacred Heart and they came out with a 36 to 23 win. An outstanding defense was the key to the win, according to Michalka. Pratt had 12 and Michael Hemphill eight to lead Raider scoring.
Loss Consolation
 In the game for consolation on Saturday the Raiders met Columbus and lost 39 to 35. Though it was the worst start that the Raiders had all year, behind 26 to 6 at halftime, they regained their composure and out Columbus' lead to 10 after three quarters. The Raiders did have two players scoring over 100 points for the season with one

Fun Golf Tourney At Rec. Center Sun.
 Weather permitting the Eagle Lake Recreation Center will have a fun tourney on Sunday, Feb. 17. Tee-off time will be 1:30.
 Interested golfers should register at the course by 1:15 p.m. Sunday.
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Jane Dostal Scores 40 Points To Lead Blinn Past WCJC
 Jane Dostal scored 40 points to lead the Blinn Junior College Lady Bucs to a 78 to 62 victory over Wharton College Junior College in Wharton Monday night.
 A 1976 graduate from Rice High School, Jane is the all-time leading scorer in Raider history and is now continuing her record setting performances as a Lady Buc.
 The next home game for Blinn is this Friday night in Brenham when they host Temple in a Texas Junior College Athletic Conference game beginning at 7:30. The Lady Bucs close out their home schedule next Thursday, Feb. 21 hosting San Jacinto in another TJCAC battle.
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\$190 Wolf Bounties Paid In Jan.
 County Judge Lester J. Crane reported to the Commissioners' Court Monday that bounties of \$20 each were paid on five wolf scalps to special trappers and the \$5.00 bounty on 18 wolves killed by private citizens.
 Precinct 3 Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker noted that the use of the special trappers is resulting in more wolves or coyotes being killed or trapped at much less cost than when the county and state employed a full-time trapper.
On the Record
 Lease, Edward A. Keppra to Jacqueline L. Ponder 30.818 acres John Dunlavy Survey, 9.20.79
 Lease, Wilbert A. Koehn et ux to Cotton Petroleum Corporation 14.24 acres Jesse Burnham Lease, 11.10.79
 Lease, C. B. Skeeters et ux to Texas Oil and Gas Corporation 320 acres G. H. & H. RR Co. Survey, 11.19.79
 Lease, Roberta Struss Presley et ux to Texas Oil and Gas Corporation 196.28 acres John L. Whitman Survey et al, 11.14.79

Garwood Boys End Season Last Weekend
 The Garwood Raider boys ended their basketball season during the past weekend playing in the Fayetteville Boys' Tournament. The Raiders ended their season this past weekend playing in the Fayetteville Boys' Tournament. Prior to that final competition, the Raiders had compiled a 9-6 record for the season. Members of the 1979-80 team include: Kneeling, L to r., Junior Nelson Dabney and Glen Hefner; standing, L to r., Coach Mike Michalka, Mark Eggmeyer, manager, Ricky Sheridan, Michael Hemphill, Douglas Baumgarten, Kenny Johnson and Thomas Waligra.
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Local Man Charged With Carrying Pistol
 Charges of carrying a prohibitive weapon on licensed premises were filed last week through the court of Justice of the Peace M. C. Jones against Jose C. Rasobanda of this city.
 The complaint in the case was the owner of the Midnight Bar who alleged that Rasobanda had a pistol in his possession while in the business on Feb. 2nd.
 The man was arrested at his home at 1128 Banner Street at 11:58 p.m. Friday on a warrant from Judge Jones' office by Eagle Lake city police.
 He was transported to the county jail in lieu of \$2,500 bond pending action by the next grand jury.
Loss Final To Lamar
 In the final game, the Raiders met the host Lamar team and appeared to have the game in hand at half time, leading 36 to 22, but lost by a score of 64 to 61.
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Spanihel Having Successful Season On SHSU Cage Team
 (By Larry Bowen Asst. Sports Information Director, Sam Houston State University)
 Led by senior co-captain Mary Jo Spanihel, the Sam Houston Lady Bearkat basketball team is starting the drive toward the TAAU state tournament to be held in Sam Marcos on February 21-23.
 Spanihel, a two-year starter at Sam Houston after playing two years at Wharton County Jr. College, was a standout athlete at Rice High School.
 According to head coach Rebecca Blinn, the Rice High ex has played an important part in the Lady Bearkat's success this season.
 "Mary Jo has helped us at both ends of the court-both on offense and defense-and she and the other seniors have provided valuable leadership for our younger players," said Blinn.
 The Lady Kat coach also praised Spanihel's shooting ability. "Mary Jo is a really good shooter. I often have to tell her to shoot more," she said.
 San Houston has fashioned a 9-13 record this season while facing a tough schedule that includes Houston this season and the second leading team in the nation, Austin, currently ranked fourth in the nation. Among the state's Division I teams the Lady Bearkat is the third leading team in the state. Spanihel is the third leading scorer for Sam Houston this season and the second leading rebounder. Her teammate, Stephanie Hester, is the team's leading rebounder. The fact that the Lady Bearkat is the third leading team in the state is a testament to the coaching of Rebecca Blinn and the leadership of Mary Jo Spanihel.

South Texas Old-Timers Meet Mar. 16
 South Central Texas Old Timers Baseball Association will hold its 1980 meeting and barbecue on Sunday, March 16th. Registration will begin shortly after 1:00 p.m. The general admission ticket will be \$2.00. The ticket also includes a check payable to Old Timers Ass'n. For the meal tickets wanted if you desire, or wait and pay for these the day of the meeting if you prefer.
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