



A number of vacationers from this community report some outstanding trips. The Headlight would like to hear from you if you or your family or friends make some interesting trips, have guests, or host or attend functions of noteworthy importance this summer. Call us at 234-2783, or better yet, write the details down on paper or card and send them to us or drop them by the Headlight office. Your reports will be appreciated and will be enjoyed by our readers all over the state and many states of the United States.

In Hawaiian Islands for a vacation and to attend an Automobile Dealers' Confrat. The Headlight office last Friday were W. S. (Bill) Gordy of Hot Springs, Arkansas and son, Carl Gordy of Columbus, both former residents here. The W. S. Gordys were in the area for a vacation visit and Father's Day with the family of their son. He said that he enjoyed renewing lots of acquaintances at the Catholic Barbecue held here June 8th.

Boxie Kallina of Garwood is one of the area's most talented photographers and his talents were on Monday, June 23rd, through Saturday, June 28th for vacation, reports owner Les Evers. He reports the cooperation of citizens during the closing so that employees of The Grill may have a vacation. Drug store facilities will remain open as usual.

Marsha and Ritchie Cunningham, owners of The Custom Shoppe in Eagle Lake, announce that the store will be open only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 5 p.m. until further notice.

Swimming pools continue to become more numerous in the city. Some of the latest are those for the Wayne Cormans on Peyton Lane, the Jim Woods on McCarty, and the George Burkes on Lakeside Drive.

Mrs. Joe Lee McCrory underwent surgery in St. Luke's Hospital Tuesday morning of this week and is reported to be getting along nicely. She is in room 1546 of St. Luke's Hospital, Houston, Texas 77030.

Friends wish her a speedy recovery to good health.



The "bogus" \$1000 bill shown above on the "United States of America" signed by "A. P. Kennedy" and "J. L. Cantanelli" was passed in the Eagle Lake area last weekend by a man who was told to "hold" the bill in exchange for a \$100 bill. Chief of Police

July 4th Plans Police Dept.

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The directors decided at Monday's meeting to stage the dance, as advertised, on Walnut Street in front of the Community Center. Some thought had been given to having the dance on the covered pavilion, however the directors decided to reserve that portion of the area for the erection of booths.

It was noted that interest in booths is increasing and organizations which would like to sponsor a booth are urged to contact the chamber as soon as possible to reserve a space on the pavilion area. There is still a need for more food booths and also for game booths for young and old.

Kiddie rides will be available beginning at 6 p.m. on July 4th courtesy of Eagle Lake Lions Club and other booths which are booked to date include:

The Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps will sell T-shirts with iron-on patches, ribbons and other novelty items; The VFW will man a beer stand;

Boy Scouts will sell cold drinks; Mt. Olive Church will sell foods; Alpha Delta Phi Sorority will sell cup cakes and balloons;

Little League will sell snow cones; Catholic Youth will sell sloppy joes; Steve Almazan's softball team will sell t-shirts and tamales;

Catholic Altar Society will sell sandwiches and cakes; Also expected to have booths will be the Colorado County Fair organization and the NADA CYO group.

To book a booth, call Dorothy Jones at 234-2780. Other Entertainment: New entertainment features for the Fourth of July celebration will be music by Andy Gerton's musical group known as "Lost," from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Country Playboys will play music for the street dance which will be held from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight only. During the first intermission, a group of Marilyn Thomas Super Strutters will perform some night-time "live fire" baton twirling routines.

Fireworks donations will be accepted several times during the dance in order to help defray expenses of the music for the dance. All activities of the day will be held at the Eagle Lake Community Center. The barbecue dinners may be enjoyed in the air-conditioned hall or in a fast curbside service line in the pavilion area.

In addition to the booths and entertainment outdoors, there will also be some activities in the air-conditioned comfort of the Community Center. All activities of the Fourth of July event will conclude at midnight sharp in order that the area may be completely cleaned in time for the opening of business on Saturday morning, July 5th.

Herman and Elizabeth Bothe

claimed. If you're missing a bicycle, go by the police station and check those still remaining to be disposed of. If not claimed by 30 days from the date of recovery, the bikes will be disposed of, said the police chief.

Fires

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The firemen were called to the fire on the wrecked car on Glen Flora Road where a trash fire went out of control. Both were put out without damage.

Lawrence Fire: The firemen were called on Monday evening, during fire practice, to a reported house fire on Yett Street in the NewTown area. It turned out that fumes from gasoline in a lawnmower were ignited by a hot water heater and the mower was removed from the building in which it was housed and the fire was under control by the time the date include:

At 8:30 p.m. Monday the firemen participated in a search for a missing child in the Ridgefield Addition, but the child was found safe and sound in a nearby neighbor's house.

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2 Injured In Crash Of Pickup Sat.

Two local citizens received injuries when a 1968 Ford pickup truck driven by Lavon Nicholson went out of control on Highway 90A about three-tenths of a mile west of the city limits at 1:55 a.m. Saturday, June 14, Highway Patrolman Joel Garcia investigated the accident.

His report stated that Nicholson told him that she was attempting to pass another vehicle when the driver of the other vehicle tried to force her truck off the roadway as she was in the act of passing. The officer noted that the incident took place in a passing area of the highway.

The pickup truck went off the left side of the roadway and struck a concrete culvert. Nicholson, who received cuts, bruises and abrasions and some injuries to her face and chest after hitting the steering wheel, managed to get out of the truck and tried to get help from nearby mobile homes and finally flagged down a motorist who summoned the Eagle Lake

Shooting

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he was not in serious condition. At 11:30 a.m. Monday, June 16th, King turned himself in to the sheriff's officers in Columbus. He stated at that time that Smith was trying to break up his home and when confronted with this, Smith said that he was going to take King's wife away from him. King also told the officers that he had heard that Smith was a karate expert and when Smith started to get out of his truck, he (King) shot him in the leg with a 20 gauge shotgun. King also stated that just before Smith got out of the truck he reached across the seat of the truck and he (King) did not know if Smith had reached for a gun or not. Norgun was located in Smith's truck, according to the report on the incident.

King was charged with attempted murder, however, after further investigation, the charge is expected to be reduced to aggravated assault. He is out of jail under a \$1500 cash bond and the case is scheduled to be presented to the next grand jury for its consideration.

News From Wintermann Library

(By June Pirle, Librarian)

128 Enrolled In Summer Reading

The summer program at the Wintermann Library is designed to encourage reading for pleasure and we are

pleased to say it seems to be working. There are 128 children in the reading program and of these 28 have read over 10 books and six have read 20.

Last week the younger group was led by Cherry Corman. There were 63 children in this group. They saw a filmstrip, "Little Bears Visit," and then Cherry taught them how to draw a bear using circles.

The older group was led by Michele Isenhower. There were 64 in this group. Michele taught them some aerobic dancing.

This week, June 18th, Bill Blair and Paul Causey will demonstrate karate to the older group and Becky Anderson will lead the younger group.

"Were You Counted?" Census Form Printed

Were you counted in the 1980 Census of Housing and Population? If you think you or your family might have been missed, fill out the "Were You Counted?" form printed in this week's newspaper as a public service. Cut it out and return it by mail to U.S. Census Office, Building 100, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas 78241. The form will be checked against the master address list for your area so there is no chance of an individual or household being counted twice.

This appeal to the public is made by Ernesto Villalobos, manager of the San Antonio area District Census Office.

St. Citizens Apt. Project

In final action last week the council heard a report on the construction of the Senior Citizens Apartment project on Austin Road. According to the contractor, work is expected to be completed on July 20th, with another two and one half weeks before final approval of finances by HUD.

Airport Being Missed?

It was brought to the attention of the council last week that several complaints concerning misuse of the city's airport had been filed. Though no action was taken, the council is planning to review current airport policies and take possible action at their next session June 24.

Praise For Hospital

Dear Editor, Herman and I are very appreciative of the splendid write-up in this past week's Headlight concerning our Eagle Lake Community Hospital. We received both information and inspiration.

Our community is blessed to have this hospital which is so well-staffed, well-administered, and well-equipped.

Herman and Elizabeth Bothe

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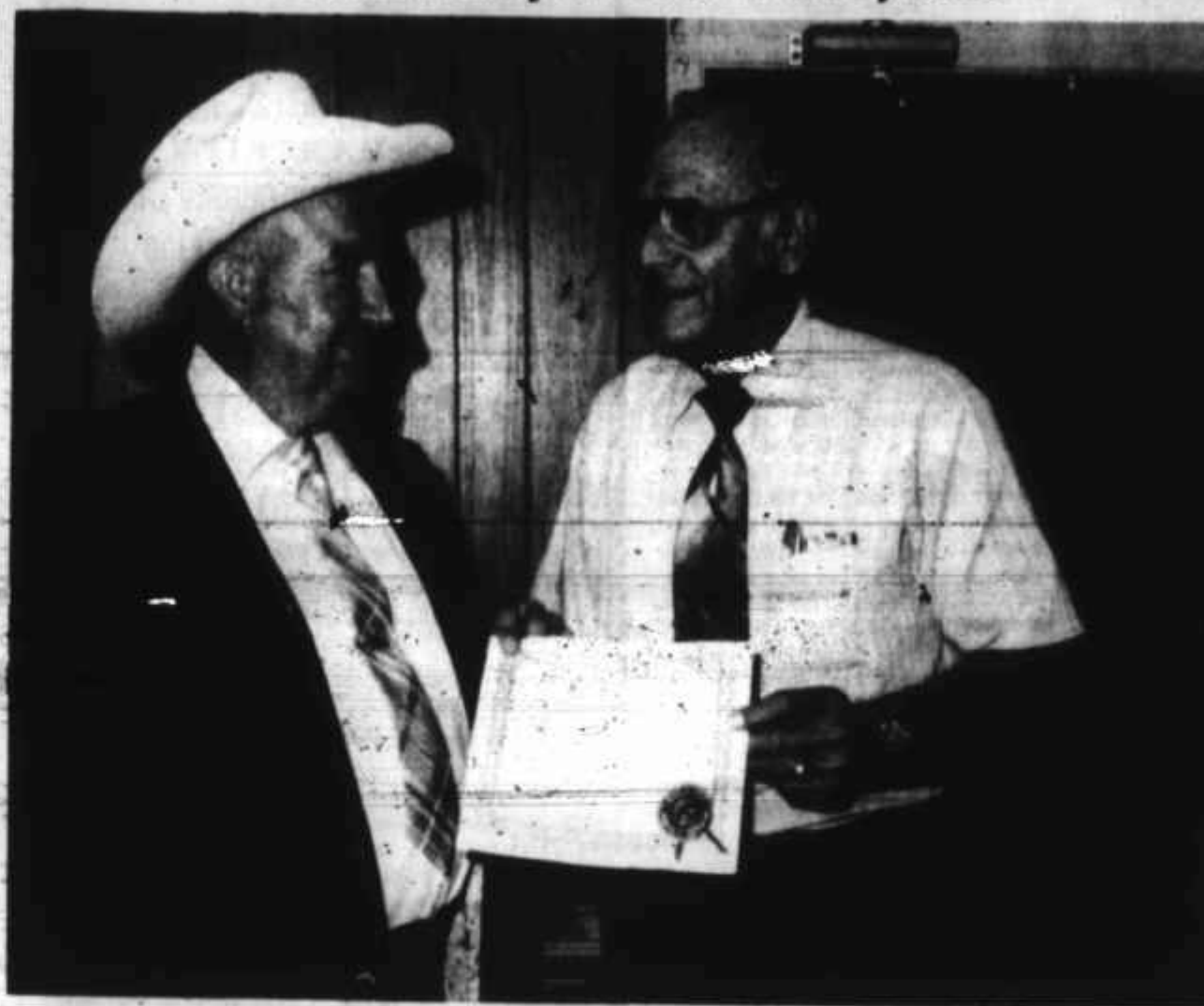
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Colorado County Jail Is Certified By State



Friday, June 20th, 1980 was a red letter day for Colorado County in that the County Jail was inspected by Maurice Wood from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, and Colorado County Jail was certified as meeting the minimum standards of the Commission on Jail Standards under Article 5115.1 VACS, and previously approved contract documents. The certification was signed by Robert O. Vittoria, Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, and the certificate of compliance was presented to Colorado County Sheriff Geo. "Doc" Mueller, left, by Inspector Wood after the final inspection and certification last week.

City Sets Hearing On Annexation Of 13.6 Acs.

City Plans To Annex E.L. Implement, Grigar Properties

Eagle Lake City Council, in session Tuesday night of this week, instituted annexation proceedings to enlarge and extend the boundary limits of the city to include just over 13.63 acres of land on the eastern edge of the city.

The properties included in the annexation proceedings are two tracts owned by Eagle Lake Implement Co., Inc., one of 5.961 acres and the other of 8.269 acres; and a 30,000 square foot tract owned by the Louis Grigars adjacent to the eastern city limit boundary line and next to Eagle Lake Implement Co. properties. All are on Highway 90A east.

The area proposed to be annexed, includes two businesses, Farmers Insurance Agency, owned by the Grigars; and the new Eagle Lake Implement Company facilities (the local John Deere dealership); and the Grigar home.

A public hearing was called by the city council on Tuesday, July 8th at 7:30 p.m. in the city council chambers of the Municipal Building in Eagle Lake. At that time all persons shall have the right to appear and to be heard on the matter.

Owners within the area proposed for annexation have petitioned the city council for annexation in order to obtain services which are provided by the City of Eagle Lake.

Rice H.S. Outriders Bake Sale Sat.

The Rice High School Outriders of the 1980-81 school year will sponsor a Bake Sale Sat., June 28th in the Eagle Lake and Garwood communities. The bake sale will begin at 9:00 a.m. in front of the Rice Drug Store in Eagle Lake and the F&W Food Store in Garwood. All Outrider members are asked to bring something to be baked for the sale or make a \$5.00 donation to the sale, said reporter Karen Schneider.

Rotarian Of The Year



Eighty-eight year old Edna (Peggy) Bushkin, right, was named Rotarian of the Year for 1979-80 at the club's luncheon banquet held last week at the Community Center. T. Smith, program chairman for the year, left, presented a plaque in behalf of the club to Edna for her outstanding service to the club and to the community during her 2 1/2 years of service in the Rotary Club.

County Jail One Of Few "Certified"

Colorado County Jail joined the ranks of only a few county jails in Texas which are now in full compliance with the minimum standards of the Commission on Jail Standards and previously approved contract documents. A final inspection of the county jail facilities was

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Council Plans To Hike Utility Rates July 8

Eagle Lake city council, in session Tuesday night, tentatively approved a revised schedule of rates for water and sewer services and for garbage collection, raising the rates in order to meet inflationary costs.

The council plans to formally adopt new ordinances officially setting the new rates, on a single reading of the ordinances, on July 8th.

The increased water and sewer rates, the first increase since 1976, will hike the 3,000 gallon water minimum from \$2.50 to \$3.75 per month and raise the cost of the next 7,000 gallons from 60c to 90c per M. and all over 10,000 gallons at 70c per M. It was estimated the increase will hike the cost of average water customers from \$6.50 to \$9.15 per month. Estimated new revenue to be generated is \$1,795.90 per month.

Sewer rates for residences will go up from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per month; with corresponding increases for businesses. Estimated new revenue to be generated is \$1,732.90 per month.

The proposed garbage collection rate increases the residential rate from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per month; and corresponding increases for commercial customers. Estimated new revenue to be generated is \$1,823.00 per month. This also is the first increase in garbage rates since May of 1978.

Increases are also planned in water and sewer tap fees and for other utility and general fees.

A more complete report on the proposed new rate schedules will be published next week.

Commr. Court OK's \$20,000 County Says No Funds Available For Ct. House For Total Tax District Budget

Decision On Who Will Pay For Duct Changes Expected Later

Colorado County Commissioners' Court, in special session last Thursday, authorized issuance of a \$20,000 Certificate of Obligation to bring to \$465,000 the total payments made to date on the Courthouse Restoration Project.

Project director Arthur J. Willrodt, authorized the payment after checking work done to date by the contractor, Circle Double "C" Enterprises, and sub-contractors, Willrodt said the amount to be paid was a revised schedule, reduced by nearly \$13,500.00, after some work reportedly done by sub-contractors was found incomplete.

Total work done to date (including materials on site) amounts to \$517,081. Ten percent or \$51,708.10 is retained by the county for payment upon final approval. Previous payments amounted to \$445,000 leaving a current payment of \$20,372.90 but the certificates of obligation are issued to the nearest \$5,000 under the amount shown, hence the payment at this time of \$20,000.

Change In Ducting OK'd: The court authorized the project director to proceed with changes required in sub-conditioning ducting which was scheduled to be placed in a "crawl space" under the 1981 addition; however the contractor found the space was not filled in with brick and the location of the ducting was accordingly changed. The first estimate of cost for the proposed change in ducting was \$9,900 but Willrodt told the commissioners' court Thursday that now the costs should be about \$1,500. He was authorized to proceed with the ducting program in order that progress may continue on the restoration project. However, the commissioners and Judge Lester Craneek said a determination will have to be made later as to who will be responsible for the additional charges.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles asked at the last meeting to see the 1951 blueprints for actual proof if the error was that of the engineering firm or due to an error in blueprints. He questioned Willrodt about the location of the plans and Willrodt admitted Thursday he was not sure, at this time, where the blueprints were. He indicated he would turn them down for the court for their inspection.

Approval of the \$20,000 certificate of obligation came on a 3-1 vote with Stiles voting against; Commissioner Otto Loessin, Rafael Veselka and Crockett Layfender for the motion.

Willrodt said that air-conditioning

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First Place State Music Medals



Becky Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson of Eagle Lake, left, and Gilbert Correll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Correll of Eagle Lake, right, received Division One Awards in the State University Interscholastic League Music Solo and Ensemble competition held in Austin. Becky, who graduated in May, played a Piano Solo for her outstanding award; and Gilbert, who will be a senior this year, played a Tuba Solo. Rice High School Band Director Floyd Spensath praised the two individuals for their "superior performance" in the state UIL competition. Mr. Kay Williams, piano instructor at Blinn Junior College in Brenham, provided piano instructions to Becky. See story on page 14.

Annual Field Day, Tour At Rice Exp. Sta. July 2

The annual Field Day and Tour will be held next Wednesday afternoon, July 2nd at the Eagle Lake Rice Experiment Station, north-west of Eagle Lake and over 500 farmers and agriculturists from over the rice belt area are invited to attend.

Dr. James W. Stansel, Scientist-in-Charge of the Western Area Project, says many activities are scheduled for the "Show and Tell" function.

Tours of the research plots will begin at 9:00 a.m., followed by a barbecue meal at 6:30 p.m. After the meal, there will be a short program which will include Dr. Art Gerlow, extension rice economist who will discuss the Rice Market Outlook for the 1980 rice crop.

"This year's field tour will emphasize the characteristics of a dwarf rice variety that probably will be released to producers for the 1981 crop. We will discuss sprinkler irrigation research on rice

and soybeans. A 160 acre field was grown successfully by Larry Holub on 9 inches of water applied with a sprinkler irrigation system last year. You will hear the latest information concerning rice fertilizer research to reduce production costs and increase economic yields. Minimum tillage and soil seeding techniques as a means to reduce production costs will also be discussed," added Dr. Stansel.

Other items of interest to be shown will be a minimum production cost plot, rice disease research, weed control techniques, soybean variety tests with monthly planting dates beginning in mid-March. Soybean variety trials and methods of planting soybeans will also be observed plus other items of interest.

If you need additional tickets or information, contact Mrs. Markwood at the Eagle Lake Research Site, telephone 713/234-3578.

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Making Way For Progress

Workmen for Dynacore Construction Co. were here this week demolishing buildings which formerly housed Royal and later Joe Ann's in preparation for the expansion of the downtown city square.

Building of The First National Bank. The project will give an entirely "new look" to the area on the east side of the downtown city square.