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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

Overconfidence Adds To Swim Pool Perils

The terrors of the deep are not confined to murky ocean mysteries. "The deep" can be a few feet of water in the neighborhood swimming pool or even stock tank.

The hazards of these calm waters are revealed by Texas Department of Health statistics that show swimming

pools and tanks claimed about 45 percent of the 985 people accidentally drowned in Texas last year.

Major dangers of these seemingly safe waters are overconfidence, the Texas Medical Association (TMA) says. If they do not take simple precautions such as checking the depth before diving and watching where they are swimming, even experienced swimmers can hit their heads on pool sides or bottom. Submerged trees and rocks add to dangers in tanks.

Diving boards are another springboard to danger through carelessness or overconfidence. But even the best swimmers can be injured if a diving board is stuck or in bad repair.

Overconfidence in estimating swimming ability often plays a role in drowning because of exhaustion, which is another big cause of drowning. A swimmer who is too tired to swim properly may drown.

Knowing how to swim could save many people in such situations but often drowning victims, especially young children, do not know how to swim even well enough to get to the nearby shore. Alcohol adds to problems, can confuse even a good swimmer and contributes to some pool drownings, TMA says.

TMA recommends everyone learn to swim at least well enough to survive falling in water and that adults keep a close watch on young children in the vicinity of a body of water. Teaching youngsters about water behavior is another important task for adults because it can help prevent the perils of overconfidence and carelessness when the child is older.

24 YEARS AGO LET'S LOOK BACK

(March 29, 1956)

Mrs. L. G. Tietch of Eagle Lake brought in a three-year-old egg which came from her chicken. The Becker's Package Store, formerly the Holm Store, is now open for business. The grand champion Hereford in the Garwood FFA Show and Sale was owned by Bobby Hunt. The calf weighed 900 pounds and sold for 35 cents per pound to the First State Bank. Five candidates filed for the two positions on the Eagle Lake School Board of Education. They were Oscar Miller, F. M. Dromgoole, R. L. Cook, C. E. Eversitt, Jr., and H. L. Parker. Henry Kretschmar advanced to first chief of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department since the death of A. H. Dipple.

Over seventy rifles were entered in the annual Eagle Lake Lions Club Cub Scout Kite Tournament held at Skull Creek Ranch at Altair. Mary Metzger and Barbara Smith were initiated into Zeta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa fraternity of the Wharton County Junior College.

The Eagle Lake Eagles outfit the Hallettsville High School team with a final score of 6 to 5 in a ten-minute contest. Last night's game was held at the Eagle Lake High School gymnasium. The game was a close one, with the Eagles leading 6 to 5 in the final minutes.

Funeral services for Frank Eggenmeyer of Garwood at El Campo and was buried in the Nada Catholic Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee Andrews of Good Hope, Louisiana announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Barbara Lisa to James Edward Jochens, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jochens of Eagle Lake.

Steve Burger, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Burger of Eagle Lake, wins the right to take a trip with 105 other Houston Chronicle carrier boys to spend four days in Monterey. Ed Lee Schneider and his first winning hog was the center of attention at the Garwood FFA Show and Sale. The 180 pound hog was purchased by the Garwood Dairy Mart for \$35 a pound.

New Subscribers Added to the Eagle Lake Headlight's subscription list during the past week were: H. D. Barrington of Spring, J. Garcia of Rosenberg, Mike Barron of this city; Lewis R. Epps of this city.

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Free Tony's Dinner
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Following easy steps like these really can help reduce your gasoline bills. So keep up the good work!

LITTLE BY LITTLE IT ALL ADDS UP.

Let's Look Back
48 Years AGO

(June 18, 1932)
B. B. Heyle, a bridge workman, fell to his death at the Altair bridge Tuesday afternoon. He was working on a scaffold near the middle of the bridge when a board slipped and he fell thirty feet and hitting some heavy steel in the water. G. P. Stores, Inc. is opening a new store in Columbus. The organization already has a chain of stores in South Texas, including one in Eagle Lake. Funeral services were held for Mrs. Almaron Pinchback of Garwood, one of the oldest women of this section. At a family home in Garwood and interment will be in the family burial grounds, at Miller's Lake. First truck load of watermelons from the Chesterville area were taken to Houston by Bogie Chatman. Bogie is a well known watermelon farmer of the Chesterville area. Postal will advance to 3 cents July 6th. That's not including postal cards, private mailing cards and post cards. Fred Wendell F. Leinhard, presently living in Nixon, is a well known musical instructor and director of school orchestra. He plans to organize an orchestra in this area. The first flowing well was drilled unintentionally in 1818 at the mouth of

the Veterans Community Center of Columbus will have an all-day celebration on the fourth of July at the Center. The celebration will begin with beauty contests to be held this Thurs. July 3rd, at 7:30 p.m.

The entertainment on the fourth will begin with a Flag Raising Ceremony at 10:30 a.m.; a Bar-B-Q chicken and sausage dinner from 11:00 to 1:30; and a Chalk Cook-off with plenty to eat and drink. The affair was reportedly enjoyed by all.

Family members said, "Thank the good Lord for times like these. If the good Lord will, the family is looking forward to another successful meeting next year."

The bride-to-be and Mrs. Carl Seasholtz, Jr., mother of the groom-elect, were presented with carnation corsages. A special guest was Mrs. P. D. Beaven of San Antonio, Jeff's grandmother.

The buffet dinner, served from the dining table, included lasagna, fresh fruit salad, mixed green salad and garlic bread. Pears, chiffon and orange cream tarts were served for dessert.

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ELMS Lists School Supplies For 1980-81

Listed below are the school supplies needed by Eagle Lake Middle School students upon the opening of the 1980-81 school term. Additional supplies may be requested by a teacher. They are needed throughout the year, announces Principal James Crabb.

Fourth Grade: One standard size notebook, regular ruled paper, two No. 2 pencils, one pencil eraser, one bottle Elmer's glue, one red ball point pen, one twelve inch ruler with metric system, one pair of pointed scissors, one box of sixteen crayons and six folders with brads and pockets. No special clothing is required for physical education classes. Fourth grade students will not suit out for P.E.

Fifth Grade: One standard size notebook, regular ruled paper, two No. 2 pencils, one pencil eraser, one bottle Elmer's glue, one blue or black ball point pen, one twelve inch ruler with metric system, one box of sixteen crayons, seven folders with brads and pockets and ink eraser, one twelve inch ruler with metric system and six folders with brads and pockets. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls should have a gym suit for P.E. (available from Duncan and

son Dry Goods), tennis shoes and white socks. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade boys should have gym shorts for P.E. (available from A. J. Struss Auto Supply or Duncan and Son), a pair of tennis shoes and white tee shirt and white socks.

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College Level Exams Slated At WCJC July 10th

Students and adults may translate life experiences into college credit by participating in the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) which will be administered Thursday, July 10 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in Room 107 of the J. R. Peace Building at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton.

The CLEP Program offers people of all ages and backgrounds, regardless of their formal education, an opportunity to gain academic achievement by successful completion of examinations in English Composition, General Chemistry, College Algebra, Biology, American History, Trigonometry, and Western Civilization.

In order to be admitted to the advanced placement testing room, students must bring a petition from Billy Griffith, director of CLEP testing at WCJC. Petitions may be secured at the WCJC Counseling Department which is located on the Second floor of the Pioneer Student Center. The mailing address is 911 Bolling Highway, Wharton, Texas 77488. Telephone (AC 718) 532-4500, extension 28.

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Community Vacation Bible School July 21-25

Plans are again underway for Community Vacation Bible School to be held this year July 21st through July 25th. Children who are three years old through the completed sixth grades are invited to attend.

The school is sponsored by the school are the Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches of Eagle Lake.

Children planning to attend are asked to bring one package of cookies and one large can of H-C juice on the first day of Bible School. Sessions will begin at 9:00 a.m. on the 21st of July and will continue at 11:30 a.m. each of the five days.

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Hot Weather Can Cause Heat Exhaustion or Heat Stroke

The Emergency Ambulance Corps of Eagle Lake reminds everyone to be aware of the possibilities of heat exhaustion or heat stroke due to the current hot weather we are now experiencing.

Heat exhaustion occurs in individuals working in hot environments and may be associated with heat cramps. It is brought about by the pooling of blood in the vessels of the skin. This condition may lead to an inadequate return of the blood to the heart, and eventually to physical collapse. Symptoms of heat exhaustion are weak pulse; rapid and shallow breathing; weakness; pale and clammy skin; profuse perspiration; dizziness and possible unconsciousness.

Emergency care for heat exhaustion would be to remove the person to a cool place and remove as much clothing as possible. Give cool water in which some salt has been dissolved. Fan the patient, but do not allow him to become chilled or overcooled.

Heat stroke is even a more serious threat to life. It comes about after the

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Serving as pallbearers were Henry Underwood and Leonard Seville of Houston, 19 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Three sons, Joe, Andrew and James, preceded their father in death.

Sympathy is extended to the family in the loss of this loved one.

110 Attend Dancy Reunion

The fourth annual Dancy Family reunion was held Sunday, June 22 in Vex Populi at the home place under the old live oak trees. One-hundred and ten people, including friends, attended.

A menu of barbecued beef, sausage and chicken with all the trimmings was served with plenty to eat and drink. The affair was reportedly enjoyed by all.

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The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stallman, Sr. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan A. Hill, all of Columbus. The groom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Hill of Houston, and Mrs. Ellis G. Miller and the late Mr. Miller of Columbus.

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James Gluecks Welcome Twins In Georgia May 15

Dr. and Mrs. James A. Glueck of 2008 North Central Avenue in Tifton, Georgia, proudly announce the birth of twins, May 15, 1980. The twins are named James Andrew, Jr. and Laura Marie. They have one older sister, Alicia Anne, who is three years old.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Glueck of Cat Spring and Mr. and Mrs. William J. Beirne of Houston. The twins' great-grandmother is Mrs. Emil Glueck of Cat Spring.

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