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### Co. Budget

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maintenance of public roads \$3,600 for lunacy and alcoholism cases; \$1,332.50 for mental health and mental retardation; \$19,502 for ambulance service; \$609 for county health officer; \$2100 for rent for county health nurse facilities; \$1,500 for indigent medical care; \$7,000 to the libraries of the county; \$2,000 to services to senior citizens; \$4,782 to veterans' service officer; and \$3,374 for foster child care; a total of \$120,356.

#### Regular Budget Expenditures

The proposed general budget for 1981 includes the following expenditures: \$28,022.50 to the jury fund; \$155,910.60 to countywide road and bridge funds; \$990,745.50 to precinct road and bridge funds; \$363,685.66 to the general fund; \$75,000 to perm. improvements; \$566,305.30 to the officers' salary fund (which also includes county employees' salaries); \$378,000 for the additional ad valorem fund for precinct use in road and bridge construc-

tion and maintenance; and \$82,969.00 in the interest and sinking fund; a total of \$2,190,811.56.

#### Salary Increases

The proposed increases in pay for elected officials adds a total of \$26,719.50 to expenditures for 1981.

Salaries of the county auditor, county clerk, county auditor, the county clerk and the county sheriff would be increased by 10% or \$1,468.20 to \$15,790.80 annually. The county judge's salary would be increased by 17.5% or \$2,497.40 to \$16,820 and the judge's travel expense would be increased by \$600 to \$1200 per year. The district clerk's pay would be increased by \$1,404 to \$15,104.40; the pay of the tax assessor and collector by \$1,468.20 to \$16,030.80; of the county treasurer by \$1,032.90 to \$11,220; the county attorney by \$1,404 to \$15,104.40.

Salaries of the four commissioners deviate also from a 10% increase schedule with the pay proposed for the commissioners to be increased by 22.5% or an increase of \$2,743.60 to \$14,990.80.

Increases for the Justices of the Peace and Constables

in the eight precincts follow the 10% increase schedule as follows:

J.P. Precinct 1, up \$1008 to \$10,848; J.P. 2, \$89.20 to \$960; J.P. 3, up \$25.20 to \$271.20; J.P. 4, up \$365 to \$4,011; J.P. 5, up \$300 to \$3300; J.P. 6, up \$25.20 to \$271.20; J.P. 7, up \$25.20 to \$271.20; and J.P. 8, up \$627 to \$6,747.

Constables: J.P. Precinct 1, 4 and 8, up \$77.40 to \$836.40; J.P. Precincts 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7, up \$47.40 to \$513.

### Intruder

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started to leave but returned and the woman shot one time at close range and it is believed the man was hit since officers have been unable to find any trace of the bullet. The man fled out the back door of the home. However, up until late Tuesday, no trace of blood had been found at the scene, nor had any hospital in the area treated a victim for gunshot, stated Chief of Police Jimmy Smith who is heading up the investigation.

A number of possible suspects were questioned Tuesday however so far no arrest has been made. An artist is expected to be brought here to make a composite drawing of the man from the woman's description, added the chief. The woman was unharmed, except for a scratch on a shoulder. The two sons reportedly slept right through the harrowing experience.

### Police

(Continued from page one) Pendleton and a number of items taken in the burglary were found in their custody. Officers said that at least two of the juveniles were recently involved in a rash of bicycle thefts in this community.

3 investigations Friday  
Local officers investigated three incidents last Friday night. In the first at 10:07 p.m. a fight was reported at

### Enrollment

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expect however to register around 35 to 40 more students in the first week of school to push the enrollment for the first week up to around 1550 or about 23 more than had been expected.

Principal Fred Grahmann reported that "everything ran like clockwork" on the first day at Rice High School with enrollment figures listing 135 freshmen, 125 sophomores, 97 juniors and 111 seniors. He expected 5 or 6 more students on Tuesday.

At the Eagle Lake Middle School, the 442 students enrolled on opening day included 75 in fourth grades, 90 in the fifth grades, 93 in the sixth, 90 in the seventh, 81 in the eighth grades and 13 in special education, according to principal James Crabo.

#### Elementary Figures Up

Enrollment at Eagle Lake Primary School may reach 350 by the end of this week, predicted principal Major Benge. On opening day there were 330 enrolled in the following grades: kindergarten, 38; first grade, 78; second, 78; third, 77; special education, 9; and early childhood, 9. There is some repetition in special education and early childhood with some students enrolled in both.

One hundred and thirty-three students enrolled at Sheridan School Monday included the following: kindergarten 15, first grade 15, second 11, third 14, fourth 16, fifth 14, sixth 18, seventh 13 and eighth 17. Principal William

C. Gohlke expects eight more enrollees later this week.

Garwood principal John Mader expects five more students to be added to the 141 total at the Garwood elementary school. On opening day, he reported the following enrollments: kindergarten 20, first 13, second 9, third 18, fourth 11, fifth 27, sixth 14, seventh 15 and eighth grade 14.

#### First Holiday Monday

Schools in the Rice District will be closed all day Monday, Sept. 1st Labor Day for the first holiday of the 1980-81 school year.

The Rice High School Raiders open their 1980-81 schedule on Friday, Sept. 5th when they host the La Grange Leopards in a non-district contest.

Season tickets are on sale and must be picked up at the high school principal's office not later than this Friday.

Sept. 1st School tickets are picked up by then will go on sale to the general public when schools open on Tuesday morning, Sept. 2nd.

### Quarterly Noon Session Sept. 3

Eagle Lake Chapter No. 1035 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its regular quarterly noon session with a covered dish luncheon Wednesday, Sept. 3rd. A business meeting will follow the luncheon. Officers will meet at 11:00 for an executive meeting.

All members are urged to be present and visitors are welcome.

Carter's Place and Malvin Rush was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and public intoxication. He posted bond of \$28.50 on each of the charges in city court with Judge M. M. Jones presiding.

At 11 p.m. officers were called to a reported hit and run accident at the intersection of Main Street and Lakeside Drive. A 1968 Dodge pickup truck driven by Antonio Salas Valles of Eagle Lake backed into a 1977 Corvett driven by Samuel Gilberto Castro of Eagle Lake while both vehicles were waiting for a train to clear the intersection. Valles was charged with leaving the scene of an accident and he posted a bond of \$28.50 on the charge.

At the same time, another call came in of a shooting at the Texas Fried Chicken on East Main. Officers reported that the owner, Robert S. Hicks, discharged a .25 caliber gun out of a small service window near some people standing near the business. He was charged with discharging a firearm in public. Bond had not been set Monday.

At 8:35 p.m. Saturday, the police department received a call that a man was displaying a gun, a pistol, at Jack's Restaurant on the Boothe Drive. Officers arrested Harold Stanley Andrews, 35, of Missouri but now working in the Eagle Lake area, for unlawfully carrying a weapon on licensed premises. Bond was set on Andrews at \$2,000 pending action by the next grand jury.

#### Burglary On East Main

Sister Stella, who resides in a mobile home on East Main Street, reported to officers at 9:20 p.m. Saturday that upon her return to her home, after being gone for several weeks, she found the home had been burglarized. Officers found that entry was made through a window at the back of the mobile home. Numerous items were listed as missing including a .30-06 Weatherby rifle, a mink stole, a portable color television set, tape players and other items ranging from sheets to household furniture, all valued by the owner at \$3,748.

Investigation of the burglary continues.

Officers participating in the investigations were Chief of Police Jimmy Smith, patrolmen Richard Saunders, Lupe Villarreal, Jr. and Larry Hill; with assistance from state troopers Joe Garcia and Andy Tacquard, Game Warden Sam Center and others.

### Commr. Ct. Receives Petition Asking Limitations On 2,4-D

Colorado County Commissioners' Court took recognition of a petition signed by 86 residents, mostly from the southern portion of the county, asking for limitations on the use of the herbicide 2,4-D in an area south of Highway 90A in this county.

The petition was brought about by some crop damage, to cotton and soybeans, by 2,4-D which drifted into this county from a farm where the chemical was used to control grass in corn. Most of the damage was noted in the Garwood area and representatives of the Texas Dept. of Agriculture were able to trace the origin of the spraying by comparing damage to a cross which the chemical drifted, according to Colorado County Judge Lester J. Crane's report to the Commissioners' Court Monday.

In effect the petition asks the commissioners' court to approve a petition to the Texas Department of Agriculture asking that the use of 2,4-D be prohibited in the area south of Highway 90A from the period from March 1st through July 31st of each year.

The petition notes that "prohibiting use of 2,4-D in that portion of the county and for the time mentioned will substantially reduce such loss and damage while not depriving those who desire to use it in their operations, the beneficial use at the authorized times and places."

Dept. of Ag. Has Authority  
Judge Crane said that he has been informed by Charles Leamon with the Department of Agriculture in the Bren-

ham office, that the limitations can be legally imposed, but asked for the commissioners' court for a petition supporting such action.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles said that the commissioners' court actually has no control over such action, and he added that he felt that the court might be subject to undue criticism if the controls were imposed. He stated emphatically that "we have too much government already."

Judge Crane pointed out however that this would give the court an opportunity to have some input into regulations imposed. Precinct 2 Commissioner Rafael Veselka supported the passing of the resolution, stating, "We need to take care of and protect our farmers."

Judge Crane suggested that the court take recognition of the petition and look into the possibility of holding a public hearing, probably in October, when citizens would have an opportunity to present both sides of the proposal. He indicated that agriculture department officials would be present at that time to discuss the controls proposed.

#### Payments OK'd

In other action the court authorized payment of an invoice for \$3147 presented by Commissioner Stiles for two carloads of asphalt to be used in patching roads and also a \$995 invoice to Southern Pacific for freight for hauling the asphalt materials. The court also approved \$1500 payment requested by Precinct 2 Commissioner Veselka for pre-

payment on an air compressor.

Several telephone burial requests were approved but Precinct 3 Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker urged that the contractor's equipment be kept off paved surfaces which are soft at this time due to the heat.

Representatives of the Austin State School were present to report on proposed changes in the contract for use of the Waldvogel house, deeded to the county for use as a Mental Health and Retardation Opportunity Center. Changes suggested by the commissioners included renegotiation of the contract at the end of a 20-year period and assuming of liability by the Travis State School. The contract will be rewritten for final approval at a later date. Meanwhile, the home is being used for the opportunity center, and the officials reported that "all is going very well" in the new location.

The court also discussed a request from the State Health Nurse, who also conducts hearing tests at the three parochial schools in the county for the purchase of a new audiometer at an estimated cost of \$545 and \$75 for accessories. The three public school districts also use the audiometer for testing. The action was passed for further investigation of the possibility of repairing the one presently in use.

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