Colorado County's 485 Outlets Had $54,478,470 1st Quar. Sales

State Comptroller Bob Bullock reports that gross sales in Texas during the first quarter of 1980 totaled $60.9 billion.

He said first quarter sales this year passed 1979 first quarter sales by $12.4 billion.

Colorado County had 485 reporting outlets with gross sales during the first quarter of 1980 of $54,478,070 with $14,897,969 subject to sales tax.

Austin County's 420 outlets reported $38,031,962 in gross sales of which $10,060,626 was subject to sales tax; Lavaca County had 391 outlets, $38,165,643 in gross sales, $8,129,776 taxable; Wharton County had 848 outlets, $97,291,667 in gross sales, $31,679,310 taxable.

Michael Todd Mathis Makes Arrival Sept. 22

Little Michael Todd Mathis made his arrival at the Bay City Hospital on Monday, Sept. 22nd weighing eight pounds and two ounces and twenty inches in length.

Todd is the first child for Gary and Diana Mathis of Bay City. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Mathis of Bay City. Mrs. Sam Mathis was formerly Josephine Fruka of this city.

County FB Convention Set Oct. 21

The Colorado County Farm Bureau will hold its annual Colorado County Farm Bureau Convention on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Columbus High School cafeteria.

Mikeska's Catering Service will be catering a barbecue meal.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Jack Jackson, humorist, with American Airlines in Dallas.

Susan Henicke, Larry Tietze To Wed Dec. 6 In Columbus

Susan Rose Henicke and Larry Henry Tietze announce their engagement and approaching marriage. Miss Henicke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henicke of Alleyton and Mr. Tietze is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Tietze of Sugar Land.

The bride-to-be is employed by Southern Pacific Railroad as a clerk/operator. The prospective groom is also employed by Southern Pacific as an engineer.

The wedding will be on December 6th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Columbus.

St. John's Church, Hungerford, BBQ-Bazaar Sunday

Members of St. John's Catholic Church in Hungerford have slated their annual bazaar and barbecue this Sunday, Oct. 5, at Hungerford Hall.

Barbecue beef, chicken and sausage with all the trimmings will be served beginning at 11 a.m.

There will be all-day entertainment, including a country store, a cake booth, doll booth, games, rides and events for people of all ages.

An auction will begin at 1 p.m. and the day will end with a dance at 7 p.m. with music by the Texas Plainsmen.

Arbor Day Trees Available For Sale

The National Arbor Day Foundation reminds local organizations that they need to contact the Foundation now to line up a fund-raising project involving the sale of trees for fall planting.

Youth and school groups, clubs, churches and other organizations can sell trees in their community to raise money for their activities, and the Foundation will mail the trees directly to the customers' homes. The local sponsoring organization never has to handle the trees, according to the Foundation.

Red Maple, Sugar Maple, Redbud, Weeping Willow, Tulip Tree, and White Flowering Dogwood trees are sold for $3.50, including a profit of $1.25 per tree for the local sponsoring organization.

The trees are four to six feet tall and come with complete planting instructions. They are delivered at an appropriate time for fall planting. The Foundation says that for best results, trees should be sold from August 15 to October 31 for fall delivery.

Organizations may obtain sample sales literature and further information by calling (402) 474-5655 or writing the National Arbor Day Foundation, Arbor Lodge 100, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

Lions Hear Program On Crime Prevention

Ken Parsley of Houston, noted crime prevention fighter, who admittedly ripped off insurance companies on 1,300 occasions for amounts said to total a million and one-half dollars, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Eagle Lake Lions Club on Thursday of last week. He brought a stirring and informative message on the ease with which a smart crook can make a successful business of collecting claims in insurance frauds and other "white collar" crimes.

Parsley received national attention for his prowess, but he eventually got caught, received a 20 year sentance, and now his job is devoted to informing others how easy it is to commit crime and methods of detecting and preventing crime. Parsley served only three years of his 20 year sentance and that was in the Maxwell Air Force Base minimum security (because he had been an officer of the law). He described his confinement in a "country club prison" as a life of luxury.

Parsley told the Lions and guests that too often the courts do not convict persons with the "right kind of money" but added that such is not the case in a federal court. "There are no deals in a federal courtroom," he stated.

After being paroled, Parsley decided that the threat of confinement was frightening, even though his term was described as being a pleasant one, and he started his own consulting firm, Houston Crime Prevention, and spends his time lecturing to insurance representatives, business and industry personnel, pointing out the areas where insurance frauds are most likely to crop up.

Parsley claims that during his short six year criminal career, he met thousands of corrupt doctors, lawyers and secretaries, enough to make him suspicious of just about everyone. "If you have your witnesses and paperwork in order you can make any amount of money you want," he stated.

He described some of the schemes which he used to collect some of the 1,686 insurance settlements.

Over the course of his career, Parsley accumulated over 200 fake identifications and with the help of credit workers got each of them clean credit records.

Crime Prevention Keys

Parsley says that he spends much time with prisoners in the Texas Department of Corrections, studying their methods of operation and gleaning information which might be passed on to private and business individuals in order to head off crime.

He stressed that too often the public is ready and willing to give the criminal the information which he needs to commit crime, especially in cases of rape and burglary.

"Take your address off everything you have," he urged. "Get a private box and use it as your street address. Register everything to a post office box. Remove the means of the potential criminals against you from happening."

"Cut off accessibility to where you live," said Parsley. "This cuts off most crime. You can't always depend on the police anymore."

Other hints offered by Parsley as crime deterrents were:

- Leave only the ignition key with your car in a parking lot. Don't give people the opportunity to duplicate your house key. If they traced your home address through your license plate, they would not only have the key to your house but would also know where it is located.
- Doors should have locks that require keys on both sides. If a burglar breaks into your home or apartment, and cannot open the door to get out, chances of theft are greatly reduced because articles would have to be carried out through the windows.
- When leaving for a vacation or trip leave the television or lights on.
- He also suggested taking addresses off of listings in telephone books; if cashing a check for a large sum of money, do so with discretion so that everyone in the bank or savings and loan doesn't know that you are carrying money, thus making it a temptation for the robber.

Another Session Planned

Lions President Joe Herbert McCreary announced that plans are in the making to have Parsley to return here at a ladies night program to give more information of vital importance to every individual or business — any of which can be prey to an insurance fraud or crime.

Persons who might be interested in attending such a session are invited to contact McCreary. Another announcement will be made in this paper relative to further plans for this informative meeting.

Parsley will present a program on crime prevention on Houston TV Channel 26 at 7 p.m. this Sunday.

Travel Show In Comm. Cen. Wed., Oct. 15

Eagle Lake area residents are invited to make plans to attend a gala travel show to be sponsored in the Eagle Lake Community Center at 7 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 15th by The Travel Bag, Ltd. of Houston.

The Travel Bag is owned by Peggy E. Polydoros and Neelima Pandit, formerly with Sakowitz Travel, is manager of the agency. Pandit says that she has had the privilege of arranging travel excursions for many citizens of Eagle Lake and surrounding areas and the travel show will give her and the staff the opportunity to become reacquainted with friends here.

During the travel show, the staff of Travel Bag will be present to answer questions on tours to all parts of the world.

A short film will be presented and there will be free door prizes and free wine and hors d'oeuvres.

Admission to the show will be free however you should make reservations in advance by calling The Travel Bag, 713 965-9500 or by mailing your request for reservations to 1770 St. James Place, Suite 110, Houston, Texas 77056.

TODAY'S MOBILE HOMES

by Mary Ann Pittman

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John Wilson Summarizes Proposed Amend. On Bingo

[By State. Rep. John Wilson]

On November 4, 1980, Texas voters will decide the fate of 9 proposed amendments to the Texas constitution. Often, voters arrive at the polls with very little information about Constitutional amendments, especially in Presidential election years when their attention is focused on other matters. During the next few weeks, I will provide an analysis of the amendments to assist you in making your decision. If you desire additional information about any of the amendments, please contact my legislative office.

The proposed amendments range from legalization of bingo to changes in the Governor's budget powers to performance of private lunacy work by counties. This week, I would like to start with the amendment legalizing bingo, which promises to attract the most attraction.

The Texas Constitution, in Article III, Section 47, provides that "no lottery shall be authorized in this State, and the buying or selling of lottery tickets within this State is prohibited." The Courts have held that a bingo game at which a prize is awarded and at which a charge is made for the opportunity to play is a lottery. The Attorney General has ruled that a law exempting churches and nonprofit organizations from the lottery prohibition violates the Constitutional ban. As a result, a Constitutional amendment is necessary to authorize any organization to conduct bingo games.

The proposed amendment would authorize the Legislature to pass a law permitting and regulating bingo games conducted by church, synagogue, religious society, volunteer fire department, nonprofit veterans organization, fraternal organization, or nonprofit organization supporting medical research or treatment programs. The voters of a political subdivision would also have to determine by majority vote whether bingo games could be held in their particular town, city, county, or justice precinct if such a law was passed. Other safeguards are also required.

Those favoring the amendment cite several arguments supporting the proposal. First, proceeds from the games may only be used for charitable purposes, so the public will benefit from the projects which the group conducting the games are able to undertake. Second, since the law provides for local option elections, local community attitudes can determine whether bingo will [illegible] current law does not allow bingo games, the law is unevenly enforced. This amendment would allow the voters to determine whether they really want the law enforced. Fourth, bingo games provide entertainment for many community members, especially among the elderly. Prohibiting charitable organizations from conducting bingo games deprives many individuals of their primary social activity.

The amendment's opponents also offer several arguments for their position. First, one of the primary reasons for restrictions or prohibitions on gambling is the possibility of fraud in the conduct of the games. No regulatory scheme can totally remove the possibility of fraud. A second argument is the possibility that organized crime could become involved and contribute to a growing crime problem in the state. Third, games of this type tend to attract persons with low income who can least afford to lose their money and could result in even greater hardships for them. A final argument is that any game which promises the possibility of "easy money" conflicts with the work ethic [illegible] would discourage hard work and initiative.

Next week, I will discuss the amendments which would give the Governor budget execution powers and allow removal of gubernatorial appointees.

Car Wash At Mt. Olive Sat.

There will be a Car Wash this Saturday, Oct. 4th at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. sponsored by the Youth Choir.

Members of the choir invite all car owners to call 234-3545 for pick-up and delivery.

Wreckage of Trucks

Here are more scenes of the tragic two-truck wreck on Highway 90A two and one-half miles west of Eagle Lake at 9 a.m. Friday which claimed the lives of drivers of the trucks, one a T Inc. gravel truck and the other a van-type truck under lease to Blue Bonnet Express.

The top photos show the Eagle Lake Volunteer Firemen battling the blaze; the lower two photos show some of the wreckage remaining after the collision and fire which followed.

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It costs a lot to irrigate crops these days, and for many farmers irrigation costs are higher than they should be because of pumping inefficiency.

That's why a demonstration on measuring irrigation wells will be highlighted at the 1980 Western Rice Belt Field Day and Tour Tuesday, Oct. 7 near Katy.

Field day headquarters will be the Chester Jordan farm south of U.S. 90 on Woods Road between Katy and Brookshire. The event will begin at 3 p.m. with a "walking tour" of demonstration plots, points out Dr. Arlen Klosterboer of Beaumont, area agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Field demonstrations will also be observed on the Raymond Franz farm nearby.

Demonstrating how to measure irrigation wells will be Wayne Keese, Extension agricultural engineer.

A barbecue followed by a panel discussion featuring Extension Service specialists will conclude the field day.

Harris County is hosting this year's field day which is sponsored annually by different counties in the western rice growing area of the Upper Texas Coast.

EGYPT NEWS

[Mrs. B. H. Tolliver]

Belated Happy Birthday to Mack Wade Dromgoole, who was 11 years old Sept. 23rd.

Mrs. O'Farrell Pauly and daughter, Cindy, attended a Church Relay in Houston Saturday.

Janet Dobson of Houston spent the weekend with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dobson.

Elizabeth Krenek of El Campo and Gerard Krenek, students at Sam Houston College in Huntsville, spent the weekend at home.

Dr. and Mrs. John Wall of Houston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Northington III Saturday and Sunday.

Friends of Mrs. Ed Zaskoda are pleased that she is able to be at home after several days' stay in the El Campo Hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sauers of Kingsland visited for several days this week with her sisters and niece, Mesdames C. E. Carter, G. M. Longmire, and Heyne Dromgoole.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peikert and children spent Sunday with friends in Bay City.

Cameron Duncan was a weekend guest of his father, F. B. Duncan.

Cindy and Steve Pauly enjoyed fishing at Matagorda Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heyne Dromgoole and children, Dena Shae and Mack Wade, attended a horse-show in San Antonio during the weekend.

Mrs. Seawillow Allen of Boling and O'Farrell Pauly attended the Ballet at Jones Hall in Houston Saturday evening.

Canasta Club

The Canasta Club enjoyed a pleasant afternoon last Thursday with Mrs. Charles Stephens at her home in Eagle Lake. After the games of three tables of players, a pleasing party plate was served each guest.

Visitors in the Ivy Tolliver home this past week included Mrs. Seawillow Allen of Boling and Mrs. Mabel Frankum and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Jones of Wharton.

With the sick folks, Lonnie Taylor Sr. is a patient in the El Campo Hospital for treatment and Robert Houston is in Caney Valley Hospital following surgery.

Honor Pastor

The congregation of the Sandridge Baptist Church honored their Pastor, the Rev. Henry Davis, and Mrs. Davis on his 30th anniversary as Minister of the Church. The Rev. E. S. Fields of Brazoria gave the Service, after which refreshments were served. This was

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County Agent's NOTEBOOK

[By Leroy J. Hajdik, County Extension Agent Colorado County]

Sodseeding Winter Pastures

Extend your warm-season pasture's grazing period by sodseeding a cool-season grass or legume into it. A common example is wheat, oats, ryegrass or legumes sodseeded into bermudagrass to provide winter and spring grazing.

Before deciding to sodseed, carefully consider the disadvantages and advantages.

Because of the warm-season base grass, sodseed pastures furnish less fall and early winter grazing than those planted in prepared seedbeds. Also, some warm-season grazing is lost with sodseeding, and sodseeded pasture may retard the growth of warm-season grasses during a dry spring.

In addition, sodseeded pastures require more nitrogen than those planted on a prepared seedbed and are highly dependent on rainfall near or after planting.

On the "plus" side, sodseeding uses land during a normally unproductive period by extending the pasture's grazing period. Also, seedbed preparation is simpler with sodseeding, thereby reducing land preparation costs.

Sodseeded pastures also provide better footing for grazing livestock due to the warm-season grass root system. In addition, fertilizer applied will help warm-season grasses next spring.

"Need" is the determining factor when deciding between sodseeding and prepared seedbed winter pasture. Stocker calf operations need fall and winter grazing, so the producer is almost forced to pick the prepared seedbed. Spring-calving cows and calves winter well on good hay, and sodseeded pastures provide early spring grazing.

If you decide to sodseed, allow the warm-season grass to make early September growth but don't fertilize. In late September, graze or closely cut the grass so sunlight can reach the soil.

Plant in late September-early October. While specially designed equipment is preferred, a standard drill can be used. The most popular method, disking, is the least effective.

Ryegrass at 20-30 pounds per acre can be seeded alone, overseeded on small grain or seeded in a legume mixture. Seed oats, wheat, barley or rye at 100-130 pounds per acre.

Fertilizer is the key to successful sodseeding. Determine needed nutrients by a soil test, and apply nitrogen only after the grass is up and again in late February.

Lastly, allow the sodseeded pasture to grow five to six inches before grazing it.

St. Anthony's Ch., Columbus, Picnic Sun., Oct. 12th

St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Columbus will stage its annual Picnic at the K. of C. Hall in Columbus on Sunday, Oct. 12th and citizens in the area are invited to make plans to attend.

Barbecue beef and sausage dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m. on Oct. 12th for $3.25 for adults and $2.00 for children under 12. Barbecue will be sold at the pit and dinners will be available to go.

A big country auction will be held at 2 p.m. and barbecue sandwiches will be sold beginning at 3 and there will be cold drinks and entertainment throughout the afternoon. Donnie Wavra and the Hi-Liters will provide music all afternoon. Radio Station KULM will broadcast live from the picnic from 12:15 to 3:00 p.m.

Free Tony's Dinner

Ernie Summerlatte this is a ticket for a free Tony's Deluxe Dinner at Taco Tony's on Highway 90A just west of the city. You'll find delicious foods in a pleasant atmosphere. Clip this out and present at Tony's not later than Oct. 7, 1980.

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