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Poll Reveals Priorities Facing 67th Legislature

What do the people of Texas want, legislatively? This is the big question facing members of the 67th session of the Texas Legislature as they begin meeting in Austin.

A recent Texas Crime Poll suggests that a broadened aggravated rape law, instructing jurors about parole laws, legal wiretapping, and restitution to crime victims are at the top of the list.

These conclusions come from recent random surveys of 1,836 Texas residents. The surveys were conducted by the Criminal Justice Center at Sam Houston State University.

Sen. Caperton Named To 3 Committees

Senator Kent Caperton of Bryan, has expressed pleasure with his committee assignments announced by Lt. Governor William P. Hobby during the opening session of the Sixty-seventh Texas Legislature.

Governor Hobby appointed Senator Caperton to three committees: State Affairs, Jurisprudence, and Human Resources.

Senator Caperton also was appointed to three subcommittees: Civil Affairs, of which he will serve as vice-chairman; Consumer Affairs; and Elections.

"I am pleased with all the assignments and now I am ready to get to work," Caperton said following Governor Hobby's announcement.

"I am especially honored with the vice-chairmanship of the Civil Affairs Subcommittee."

Senator Caperton took the oath of office as senator of the Fifth Texas Senatorial District during the Senate's opening session January 13, 1981.

Wiretapping - More than two out of three (67.4%) of the respondents said that law enforcement agencies should be permitted to legally use wiretapping. It should be authorized by a member of the Texas Supreme Court or the attorney general, a majority believe. Investigators for the attorney general were chosen by 78% as the appropriate law enforcement agency to use wiretapping. Only 41.8% favored its use of the DPS, 40.2% by the district attorney investigators, 21.1% by sheriffs, and 21.8% by municipal police officials.

More than two out of three approved the use of wiretapping in cases involving the sale of illegal drugs, arson, conspiracy to assassinate, and misconduct by public officials.

Drug money forfeitures - Only 15.4% of the respondents favored giving authority to the law enforcement agency that seized it. Some 31.8% suggested turning it over to the city, but 38% did not think it should go to either the court, city, or law enforcement agency.

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Austin Co. Officers Find No Sign Of 'Camp Lenin'

A joint investigation by the Austin County Sheriff's Department, and the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Department has determined that "Camp Lenin," as described by a major Houston news media, does not exist in the areas surrounding Wallis.

Officers did, however, find the place where the news team filmed their report. This place is located 2.2 miles south of Wallis on Farm-to-Market Road 1968, then approximately 500 yards west to a wooded area on the San Bernard River.

There are no buildings, barracks, training equipment, tanks, bazookas or commandos at this location.

This is a common area where many citizens from Wallis and surrounding areas go to hunt or fish. It is not leased to anyone and the owner advised he has given people permission to go on this property for hunting and fishing purposes several times each week for the past several years.

A resident of the area advised investigating officers that about one weekend each month two or three men would come into the wooded area with Army rifles and wearing army-type clothing.

Offenses against children - In response to the marked increase in assaults against children, Texas residents appear to join law enforcement officials and prosecutors in wishing to see penalties for these crimes raised.

Prohibition and parole - When parole services are not available, 70.2% said the parole board should be allowed to contract with probation officers for parole services. A total of 91% said convicted offenders should financially repay their victims, and 89.4% said repayment should become a condition of the offender's parole if it has not been accomplished by that time.

When an offender's probation is revoked and they are sent to prison before restitution is complete, 81.8% said they should be required to complete payments. A total of 67.5% agree with the use of halfway houses to ease the transition from prison to community.

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24 YEARS AGO LET'S LOOK BACK

(Nov. 15, 1964)

Seven high-stepping young ladies lead the Eagle Lake High School Band. They are: Donna Lou Thomas, assistant drum major; twirler Susan Davidson; head drum major, Ruth Ann Tate; the band mascot, Patricia Tate; twirlers Glenda Altman and Donna McCreary; and head twirler Jo Ann Konvicka. . . Barbara Boggess, Eagle Lake Junior High School band twirler won the coveted honor of being named the Junior High School Football Queen at the Eagle's final game. . . Mr. and Mrs. David Zahradnick celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary with a barbecue at their home. . . Ricky Walton, eleven-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Walton, was commemorated by his parents with a birthday party. . . The Eagle Lake Woman's Home Demonstration Club met on November 8th and officers were elected. They are Mrs. Hans German, president; Mrs. W. C. Elkins, vice-president; Mrs. Joe Anderson, secretary; Mrs. Lee Stahl, council delegate; Mrs. W. L. Brumlow, council alternate; and Mrs. H. T. Neiswander, reporter. . . Miss Wilma Fay McGlothlin

and Airman Burris were united in marriage in the Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake.

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital uses over 500 units of blood from the Blood Center. . . annually, noted sponsors of the event. . . If you feel you would like to give a unit of blood you may sign up at any church either in person or by calling the church office. If you have any questions, call your church office and they will be happy to answer them.

Your gift of blood is the gift of life for someone else, say the ministers.

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Garwood and NADA Community News

Mrs. J. P. Strulka - 755-3552

Mr. and Mrs. John Strulka and family of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Martin and baby, Misty, spent the past weekend at their dear camp at Sandies.

Information Given On Health Careers

The Texas Hospital Association in coordination with the Eagle Lake Community Hospital presented an assembly on Health Careers to two groups of local students on Wednesday, January 14.

The first Health Career Explanation Assembly was held at 10:30 in the meeting room at Rice High School for the Health Club sponsored by Alene Peck, school nurse.

The second assembly was held in the new cafeteria at the Eagle Lake Middle School for seventh and eighth graders from Eagle Lake, Garwood and Sheridan.

Leon C. Anderson, Field Representative, from the Texas Hospital Association, presented the assemblies. The students were given information on how to start preparing now for a career. A pamphlet with an interesting check list was given to each student. Those with a possible interest in health careers were encouraged to fill out the check list and return it to the Texas Hospital Education and Research Foundation. At that time the student's name will be placed into a computer. The student will periodically receive information about Health Careers until he or she graduates. In addition, each student will receive a catalog on Health Careers which tells the requirements for a particular position as well as where he or she can receive

the necessary training.

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HOSPITAL News Notes

Patients (Jan. 20)

Eagle Lake: Phillip Wyer, A. J. Williams, Mrs. Diana Rowe, Argant Davis, Mrs. Connie Morales, Abel Cardenas, James Taylor, Clarence Epps, Mrs. Audra Renee Cantu, Rufus Tillman, Ms. Pauline Parker, Mrs. Marlene Munoz.

Columbus: Mrs. Lila Meyer, Mrs. Eunice Bratcher, Mrs. Maria Luisa Gonzales; from Brady: James Barclay; from Lissie: Herbert Meyer; from Sheridan: Alton Gotta; from Alair: Norman Baker; from Oaklark: Ms. Agnes Walick; from East Bernard: Paul Nawara, David Hartley.

Dismissals

Eagle Lake: Andy Anderson, Mrs. Charlyne Spaniel; Mrs. Estella Gonzales, Adolph Dornon, Robert Parker, Jr., Pete Episcopia, R. L. Baird, Sr., John Wesson, Walter Shanklin, Ms. Maudine Mason, Mrs. Clodine Yell, Mrs. Mandy Thomas, Mrs. Mattie Bricker, Mrs. Creasia Williams, Mrs. Katie Ney, John Fella, Mrs. Sophie Mackie, Mrs. Willie Mae Brown, Mrs. Nita Schindler, Mrs. Stella Hancock, Ms. Verla Owens.

Columbus: Mrs. Willie Mae Ehlly, Mrs. Catherine Jenkins, Baby Boy Jenkins; from Weider: Mrs. Josie Cook; from Alletton: Ms. Lydia Rodriguez, Mrs. Juanita Gales, from Sheridan: Frank Gonzales; from Wharton: Mrs. Barbara Janik, Baby Boy Janik; from San Antonio: Ms. Vicki Sims; from El Campo: Ms. Dominga Ortiz; from East Bernard: Mrs. Benita Arregui, Jose Lopez, Mrs. Connie Cavness, Baby Boy Cavness, from Rock Island: Mrs. Joyce Rucker; from Garwood: Charlie Labay, Mrs. Manuella Lopez; from Sealy: Mrs. Bohumila Sula; from Athens: Greece; Ms. Penelope Causey; from Bridgeport: Johnny Jobe; from Houston: Mrs. Bernice Banks; Baby Girl Banks; from Schulenberg: James Zimmerman.

might seek a fifth term as speaker, overturning a previous statement that the present term would be his last.

Despite the obvious rumblings prompted by that statement, Clayton's tenure is appreciated by many, especially those who believe he is the one Democrat tough enough to challenge Republican Gov. Bill Clements in the '82 gubernatorial election. It's the same toughness which often leads his opponents to consider him tyrannical.