

Eagle Lake Headlight

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Canadians A Long Way From Home



This party of ten Canadians visited in Eagle Lake Monday to study efforts being made in this area to conserve and care for migratory wildlife, ducks and geese in particular. Included in the group here on a cooperative effort between the Canadian Fish and Wildlife Service and the United States Fish and

Wildlife Service were: front row, left to right, Vince Ecken of Tuktoyaktok, Northwest Territory, Canada; David Kaomayok, Cambridge Bay, Northwest Territory; Chief Sam Johnston of Teslin, Yukon Territory, Canada; Chief George Johnson, Bacwash Landing, Yukon Territory; back row, l. to r., Bob Bailey of Saskatoon,

Saskatchewan, Canada; Hammond Dick, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory; Chief Henry Beaver of Fort Smith, Northwest Territory; Pat Larocque of Yellowknife, Northwest Territory; Josiah Kadlutsiak of Igloodik, Northwest Territory; and Chief John Abel of Old Crow, Yukon Territory.

Canadian Group Visits Here For Study Of Migratory Wildlife Facilities

Four Indian Chiefs, 3 Inuit Leaders View Migratory Facilities

A group of ten Canadians including four Indian Chiefs and three Inuits and three officials from the Canadian Fish and Wildlife Service were visitors in Eagle Lake Monday of this week to make a study of facilities, refuges and sanctuaries in this area, noted as the Goose Hunting Capital of the World, for care and conservation of migratory wildlife, especially ducks and geese. The Canadians were here on a cooperative effort between the Canadian Fish and Wildlife Department (of the Department of the Interior). A number of state and federal wildlife officials were also here to escort the Canadians on a tour of the facilities here and elsewhere in Texas and other migratory

flyways in the States on a week-long visit. Objective of the trip was a concerted effort by the Canadians to explore the handling of migratory birds in the United States and in particular in Texas and Louisiana to determine if proper management procedures are followed in harvesting of the wildlife (ducks and geese in particular) which come from the nesting areas in the Canadian provinces. It was explained that these birds contribute substantially as a food source to the very existence of the Indians and Inuits and they want to be assured that excessive or abusive harvesting methods do not materially lessen or damage the population of the birds returning to the nesting areas in the spring of each year. Their reports are expected to help establish hunting regulations in the Canadian provinces.

The group visited facilities in New Mexico and visited the Aransas Pass Refuge in Texas where the whooping cranes come annually for the winter, prior to coming to Eagle Lake. They were due to leave Tuesday morning by airplane from Eagle Lake airport for Lake Charles, La. where they were to view migratory facilities and refuges before moving on to other states. The group of Canadians and state and federal officials was hosted for a social and supper by David R. Winter. [Continued on page 3]

Garwood Fire Dept. Benefit Ball Sat.

Garwood Volunteer Firemen invite citizens to make plans to attend their annual Benefit Ball to be held Saturday, Feb. 7th at the Nada K. J. T. Hall. Proceeds from the event will be used in the purchase of new equipment and operation of the department to better serve the citizens of the Garwood and Nada area. The dance is the department's major fund-raising event of the year and the firemen hope that you will support their work with attendance and donations to the department.

The Back Forty will provide music for dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Admission will be by donation.

You may make table reservations, at 25¢ per chair, by calling 758-3522.

County Farm Bureau Open House Tuesday

Colorado County Farm Bureau has proclaimed February 9th-14th as Farm Bureau Week and President Ted Brandt and the Colorado County Board of Directors and the office staff invite you to an open house from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Tuesday, February 10th.

Comm. Sweetheart Banquet At Lissie Saturday

A community Sweetheart Banquet hosted by the men of the Lissie United Methodist Church will be held at the Lissie Fellowship Hall Sat., Feb. 7, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. Sandra Rings, noted Houston ventriloquist, will provide entertainment for the evening. Tickets for the banquet are available from any member of the Lissie Church. The public is cordially invited and children are encouraged to attend the entertainment at 8:00 p.m.

Primary School Title I Parents Meet Feb. 12

Title I parents are encouraged to attend the meeting in the Eagle Lake Primary School Gym at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, Feb. 12th. Officers

Central Appraisal District Begins Work

Five Employees Hired, Office In Courthouse

During the month of February, the Colorado County Central Appraisal District will begin its mandatory re-appraisal. All properties will have to be inspected and improvements measured and classified, reports Bill Youens, Chief Appraiser.

The information obtained will be used by all taxing jurisdictions, but will not be used until all of the re-appraisals are finished. If a property is located within the boundaries of three separate entities (example: County, City, School) all three will use the same taxable value after 1982, and there will be a three man Appraisal Review Board to hear taxpayer appeals. "We are planning to call

Gil Steen Is New Patrolman For Eagle Lake

Eagle Lake's police force is back to full strength with the hiring of Giland (Gil) W. Steen, 36, a former officer with the Wharton County Sheriff's Department. Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner said that Steen was due to begin duties here on Tuesday. He was in Austin to complete certification Monday. He is the third former Wharton County officer to join the local staff since Winebrenner was formerly chief deputy and acting sheriff and city patrolman Jack Reed was formerly a jailer with the Wharton County sheriff's office. Steen has 12 years of experience in law enforcement, including duties with Texas A&M University security, Richmond and Rosenberg police departments.

Officer Steen served as identification officer and training coordinator with the Wharton sheriff's department.

He and his wife, Betty Lee, have three sons, Billy Wayne, 11, James Ernest 6 and John Westley 4. The family will continue to reside in Wharton until the end of the current school year and Mr. Steen will commute to his duties as patrolman until that time.

Final Week For Etheridge With the completion of the local police staff, Ike Etheridge, special Colorado County sheriff's deputy who has been assisting with the local police work, will end regular service with the city this week. He had no plans to announce this week.

Chief Winebrenner and city officials had high praise for Etheridge's efficient and dedicated service during the time that the local department was short of officers.

Rounding out the local police department, in addition to Chief Winebrenner and patrolmen Reed and Steen, are patrolman Gusdalupe Villarreal and special officer Bill Chavis.

for the 1981-82 school year will be elected at that time to form the P. A. C. (Parent Advisory Council) for the upcoming school year. Principal H. M. Bengue will explain the current program at the Primary School.

Title I parents are defined as those qualifying children under the District Free or Reduced lunch policy and/or parents with children performing a year below grade level in Reading or Math.

Feb. Grand Jury Returns Nineteen Indictments

To Conduct Revival



Gene and Bobbie Moore from Waco will lead the services at the United Methodist Church beginning Sun-

Revival Services Begin At Meth. Church Sun.

Revival services will be held at the Eagle Lake United Methodist Church, 200 W. Prairie, beginning this Sunday evening, Feb. 8 and continuing through Wednesday, Feb. 11. The evening services will be at 7:30 p.m. with a men's breakfast at 6:30 a.m. and ladies' luncheon at 12 noon each day Monday through Wednesday.

The evangelists will be Gene and Bobbie Moore, a husband and wife team from Waco, Texas. The Moores have been in full time musical and preaching evangelism for almost 20 years. Gene is an ordained United Methodist Minister, under appointment to First United Methodist Church, Waco, Texas.

The Moores have shared in music and word in hundreds of churches and camps throughout the United States. They have done special work for the National Board of Evangelism of the United Methodist Church, the United Christian Ashrams, Jurisdictional and Annual Conferences. They have sung for meetings in Japan,

Indonesia and India. Recorded Albums A part of their ministry has been the recording of six long playing albums. Their latest albums entitled "O Glorious Love" and "He Touched Me" were released at the first of (Continued on last page)

74-Year-Old Sheridan Man Found Dead

Colorado County Sheriff's Department received a call at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3rd to investigate the death of a Sheridan man, Jessie Franklin Shupak, 74, who was found dead at his home on FM 2734 near Sheridan. Justice of the Peace Ben Poppe of Oakland was called to the scene to join in the investigation and to hold an inquest and be ruled the man apparently died by self-inflicted causes. His body was found in a tree near his small house.

He had been living alone near the home of his daughter, Mrs. Vernita Doplauf. The body was taken to the Kubena Funeral Home in (Continued on page 11)

Theft and burglary charges dominated the nineteen indictments returned by the February Grand Jury in session Monday in Columbus. The panel of jurors was sworn in by District Judge E. W. Patteson and George Hoppe of Columbus was named foreman of the jury. Other jurors included: Earl L. Braden, Jr. and H. D. Brown of Eagle Lake; Andrew Schobel, Stanley Huth Jr., Rita Ruffeno and Randa Simmons of Columbus; Marguerite Friedrich, Edwin Anders, Milton Adams, Sr. and Albert A. Otto of Weimar; and Helen Briscoe of Sheridan.

The 19 indictments returned by the grand jury included seven for theft, five for burglary, one for aggravated robbery, two criminal mischief charges, one rape, one criminal conspiracy, one forgery and one possession charge. A total of twenty-five persons were named in the indictments.

Robert Campos, who was arrested the day he was released from the Texas Dept. of Corrections for alleged burglary of a room at the Sportsman's Motel on Dec. 13, 1980, was indicted with burglary. The indictment noted that he was convicted Feb. 18, 1980 for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

In other local burglary cases, Richard Welsch and Richard Franklin, a couple of transients, were indicted for burglary of the Eagle Lake Implement Co. on Dec. 10, 1980 and Welsch was also indicted for burglary of the Eagle Lake police department. (Continued on page 11)

VFW Gives Funds To VFD, Ambulance Corps, Rec. Center

The Rice Area Memorial Post 8783 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars recently contributed funds to three worthy organizations.

Contributions of \$200.00 were presented by the VFW members to the Eagle Lake Fire Department, the Eagle Lake Ambulance Corps and to the Eagle Lake Recreation Center.

James G. Cash is commander of the local VFW Post.

Three Receive Tenneco Safety Awards



Guy Sutherland, operations manager for the gas processing division of Tenneco, center, presented safety awards to three employees of the Tenneco Chesterville plant at a family night safety meeting in the Community Center on Thursday night of last week. Monroe Ripper, left, received a packet

knife for fifteen years of accident-free service; and Joe Frybert, right, received a calculator for 25 years of accident-free service. Charlie Matzowski, not shown, received an award for 28 years of accident free service. See related story on page 2.

New P&W Game Warden



Texas Parks and Wildlife District supervisor Sam Center, left, welcomes the new

state game warden assigned to duty in this county, F. J. (Buddy) Mills, Jr.

Citizens of Eagle Lake and Colorado County welcome F. J. (Buddy) Mills, Jr., a recent graduate of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's game warden training academy in Austin, who has been assigned to duty here. Parks and Wildlife District Supervisor Sam Center said that Mills will join veteran game warden Leo Kohlfel of Columbus and Deputy

Game Warden Alton (Butch) Herman of Eagle Lake in enforcement of state game, fish and water safety laws in this and adjoining counties. The new game warden is 23 years old and a native of San Antonio, Texas. He and his wife, Heidi, have moved a mobile home onto a lot owned by the T. J. Smiths on Stevenson Street where they will be making their home.