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Census Report

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with a total county of 5,247 and wit.. 2,030 housing units.

Columbus' population is up according to the preliminary report from 3,342 to 3,907 and housing units are up from 1,242 to 1,617; while the Columbus division lists population of 7,340 and 3,358 housing units.

The Garwood division lists a slight decrease in population with 2,465 in 1970 and 2,396 in 1980 but housing units are up 940 to 1,133.

Weimar's 1980 population is listed at 2,086 as compared to 2,104 in 1970 but housing units are up from 789 to 887.

Austin County

The reports shows Austin County's population up from 13,831 to 17,689 and housing units up from 5,500 to 7,860. Bellville's population is up from 2,371 to 2,862 and housing up from 954 to 1,231; Sealy's population up from 2,685 to 3,888 and housing up from 1,042 to 1,513. Wallis' population is listed at 1,127 and housing at 487 units.

Fayette County

The Fayette County population, according to the preliminary report, is up from 17,650 to 18,824 and housing units up from 7,949 to 9,517. Fayetteville's population is down from 400 to 353 and housing up from 192 to 198; Flatonia down from 1,108 to 1,070 and housing up from 480 to 500; La Grange's population up from 3,092 to 3,780 and housing up from 1,324 to 1,771.

Lavaca County

Lavaca County's population is up from 17,903 to 18,935 and housing is up from 7,494 to 8,700. Halletsville's population increased from 2,712 to 2,832 and housing is up from 1,090 to 1,267; Moulton's population up from 968 to 1,006 and housing up from 396 to 436; Shiner's population up fom 2,102 to 2,194 and housing up from 813 to 975; and Yoakum's population up from 3,299 to 3,830 and housing up from 1,263 to 1,501.

Wharton County

Wharton County lists population of 39,993 up from 36,729 and housing increased from 12,220 to 15,315. El Campo lists 10,431 up from 9,332 and housing up from 3,230 to 3,853; and Wharton up from 7,881 to 9,016 and housing up from 2,741 to 3,661.

School Board Honors Kallina

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the RDEE instructor Mrs. Helen Craig were present at the meeting to discuss evaluation of the enrichment program for gifted students. The class this year includes 13 students and the principal and instructor recommended that the class be continued again in 1981-82 and that the program be expanded to include another class of students from the 5th and 6th grades. The present RDEE class includes students from 7th and 8th grades.

Crabb told the board members that the RDEE program fills a void and has been effective in "challenging the students." He noted that the program this year has been concentrating on language-arts.

Mrs. Craig told of some of the work being done by the class. Currently the class is making a study in local history and will make its first field trip this Wednesday to the Northington Museum in Egypt.

She noted that the primary objective of the class is "to make independent learners" of the students and to make them aware of the facilities available for expanding their education. She told the board that the class members "seem more self-assured" and have developed greater self confidence since the class was started last August.

Recognizes Academic Ability

The class was set up to "recognize that academic ability also needs special attention if it is to develop to full potential the student's abilities," the teacher commented in her evaluation report. The activities of the class are designed to generate a different type of production by use of written reports, essays and descriptive reports.

Kallina Honored

The board adopted a resolution commending Anthony V. Kallina, board member from Garwood, who has served faithfully on the board for just over nine years. Board president Jane Clipson read a letter of commendation noting that Kallina has a record of nine years of "untiring and faithful service to the children and patrons of our district." The board adopted the resolution since the March meeting will be the last for Kallina as he is not seeking re-election in the April 4th election.

In a break during the session, all present for the meeting enjoyed delicious German chocolate cake, served in appreciation of Kallina's service on the board.

The board also asked that resolutions of appreciation be written for outstanding student activities including resolutions honoring the Rice High School boys and girls cagers, FFA members, Art Dept. students; and others who have distinguished themselves during the 1980-81 school year.

Other Board Action

In other action the board:

- Approved closing in a 640-square foot back porch at Rice High School in order to make the area available for the athletic department's weight program in order to alleviate the crowded condition in the boys' locker room, where the weight equipment is now located;
- Adopted textbooks for 1981-82 upon the recommendation of the textbook committee, chaired by Asst. Supt. Charles DeShazo;
- Voted to sell surplus lunchroom equipment from the former Eagle Lake Middle School cafeteria (now replaced with new equipment). Bids will be asked on sale of the items as a group or on individual pieces.
- The board also approved an application for federal funds for the district's vocational programs. DeShazo told the board members that some $8500 will be made available to the district and that most of the funds are to be used in travel and transportation expenses affiliated with the vocational programs.

Substitute Securities

The board also approved substitution of securities pledged by the district's depository, the First National Bank of Eagle Lake. The pledges now total $1,630,000, slightly over the maximum deposits recorded by the district.

The board discussed salary schedules for the 1981-82 year and asked Supt. King to survey schools in the area to obtain a comparison of the pay scales offered by this district with others in the area.

Also the superintendent was asked to bring further information at a future meeting on the possibility of setting up a long-range facilities study. The study, suggested by the superintendent, will assist the district in making long-term decisions regarding maintenance, energy use, new construction, etc.

The superintendent reported that such long-range facilities studies generally require the hiring of outside consulting engineers or planners and he was asked to look further into this possibility.

Supt. King noted that "we have an obligation to the taxpayers to spend money wisely by use of technical and expert advice." He added that such technical advice could result in savings, especially in energy costs, if handled properly on a long-range effort.

No Late Filers For Apr. 4 Elections

The March 4th deadline passed without any additional filings in the Eagle Lake City Council and Rice School Board elections to be held on April 4th.

Only contest is for the city council where three positions will be filled with the three incumbents, Mike Duarte, Ralph Truly and Alvin W. Kohleffel, incumbents, and former councilman Wilfred Loedecke to be listed on the ballot.

John Engstrom will be unopposed for the Garwood Pos. 6 on the Rice school board (a position formerly held by Anthony Kallina); and Mrs. Jane Clipson is the [illegible] Eagle Lake, Position 7 on the Rice board.

Other Contests In Area

Contests developed for mayor and city council in Columbus and also for the Columbus school board.

Columbus mayor Richard Heffley will be opposed by incumbent councilman Jay Hastedt; and incumbent councilman Thomas Etheridge, Larry Solansky, Jerome Dvorak and Mrs. Evelyn Wagner seek two Columbus council positions to be filled.

Dr. Tom Hancher filed for the Columbus school board opposing incumbents Mrs. Nina Kraft Burt and Dr. Charles Moeller for two positions on the Columbus school board.

For Weimar city council a contest resulted for Pos. 3 held by Henry Beyer who is not seeking re-election, with Glen Bray and Jack Kroll seeking Beyer's position; and incumbents Don Miser and Bennie Kosler are unopposed in re-election to Positions 1 and 2. Also Weimar school board members Charles Trefny, Pos. 1; and Mrs. Laurene Hayward; Pos. 3, are unopposed.

E.E. Candidate Withdraws

Charles Chauvin who holds Position 2 on the East Bernard School Board has withdrawn his candidacy due to business interests; and Frank Kramr is seeking re-election to Position 1. Glen Kaminsky is seeking the position which is now held by Mr. Chauvin. There is no opposition on the ballot for either position.

Absentee voting will begin on the city and school elections on March 16th and end on March 31st.

Houstonian Enters Plea In Feb. 9 Charges

On Wednesday of last week, Mar. 4th, James M. Wilson of Houston waived grand jury action in Austin County and entered a plea of nole contendre (which is considered by the courts as a guilty plea) to charges of aggravated assault and felony possession of marijuana. The charges resulted when Wilson was arrested by Colorado County Deputy Sheriff James Brooks, Jr. on February 9th.

An altercation followed during the transporting of Wilson to the county jail from Austin County where he was arrested.

Wilson was assessed a fine of $1500 and given six years of probation for aggravated assault and a $500 fine and two years probation on the possession of marijuana.

Wilson also entered the nole contendre plea to driving while intoxicated charges in Colorado County where he was fined another $350 and Wilson agreed to pay all doctor and hospital bills on himself and Deputy Brooks.

Car Hits House

Eagle Lake Police Dept. was called at 5:10 p.m. Friday to investigate an accident in which an automobile hit the front porch of a house at 1505 E Street.

Investigation showed that an automobile driven by Dorothy Tillman Stovall turned off Fairview Street and was going west on E Street when the driver attempted to park and hit the front porch of the house occupied by Dolores Ramirez.

It was estimated that $250 in damage was done to the porch. The driver was cited for failure to control speed of vehicle to avoid accident.

Nada Woman Dies In Wreck On 71 Sat.

Mrs. Hubert Swoboda Dies In Car-Truck Collision

A tragic auto-truck accident on Highway 71 in the townsite of Nada at 5:45 p.m. last Saturday, March 7th, claimed the life of Mrs. Hubert (Walburga) Swoboda, 74, a lifelong resident of the Nada community.

Highway Patrolman Gary Eden of Columbus was the investigating officer. He reported that Mrs. Swoboda was traveling south in a 1974 Mercury and crossed Highway 71 into the path of a westbound 1980 Ford welding truck and the truck smashed into the side of Mrs. Swoboda's car.

She was rushed to the El Campo Memorial Hospital by the Garwood Emergency Ambulance Corps but was pronounced dead on arrival.

The truck was driven by Pedro Deras, 22, of Bay City. He escaped injury. The Mercury was demolished, the truck had little damage.

Funeral Services Monday

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Hubert (Walburga Schneider) Swoboda Monday, March 9 at 1:30 p.m. at Triska Funeral Home in El Campo with a mass following at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada at 3:00 p.m. Monsignor Victor G. Schmidtzinsky, Monsignor Aloysius A. Leopold and the Rev. Ben Mazurkiewicz of Fayetteville officiated. Interment was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. St. Mary's Choir sang the mass.

Mrs. Swoboda was born May 1, 1906 in the Garwood-Nada area. Her parents were Marie and John Schneider. On November 17, 1925, she and Hubert Swoboda were united in marriage in St. Mary's Church in Nada. Mr. Swoboda preceded her in death twelve years ago.

Survivors include daughters, Mrs. Ernestine Bubela of Garwood, Mrs. Lillian Albracht of Amarillo, and Mrs. Caroline Curtis of Hattiesburg, Mississippi; sons, Lenhart Swoboda and Bill Swoboda of El Campo, Everitt Swoboda of East Bernard, John Swoboda of Houston and Marvin Swoboda of Bellaire; twenty-three grandchildren and four great grandsons; and one sister, Mrs. Paul Laake of Garwood.

The deceased was a faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic Church at Nada, and a member of the Christian Mothers and Catholic Daughters.

Grandsons serving as pallbearers were: Michael Bubela of Houston, Steven and Daniel Swoboda of East Bernard, Cory Curtis of Hattiesburg, Miss. and Jack and Nick Albracht of Amarillo.

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• Tip of the hat this week to the Rice FFA members for their outstanding work at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, especially to the four youth, Ricky Miller, Raymond Mahalitc, Patrick Pavlu and Glen Hefner, for "sweeping" the four top prizes in the commercial steer show.

• Also congratulations to Mano Graham for rolling a perfect 300 game at the Skull Creek Bowling Lanes last Saturday, the first ever to be rolled at the lanes in over twenty years of operation. Mano says, "it's been a long time in coming."

• Mr. and Mrs. Billy Reynolds and family have moved to Bridgeport, Texas. They had resided in Bridgeport for some time but returned to Eagle Lake and, now have returned to Bridgeport to make their home. Mrs. Reynolds will be remembered as the former Elizabeth Seaholm.

• Ric Weaver, a former coach at the Eagle Lake Middle School, used some ingenuity to come up with a title for his new business in town. He calls it "The Roach Coach" and the business specializes in termite control.

• Best wishes go to Sam K. Seymour, Jr. of Columbus who is in the St. Luke's Hospital this week for a series of tests.

• Some of the home-town folks have been on some exciting trips during the past few weeks.

William H. and Rosanne Harrison spent a week cruising aboard one of the "tall" ships in the Caribbean with the final destination to Martinique and return to Florida.

Ted and Louise Brunner, Jim and Catherine Clipson and George and Marian Burke spent ten days in the Hawaiian Islands visiting on Oahu, Maui and Hawaii.

Jimmy and Evelyn Thomas and Steve and Linda Ballas and Doris Clipson spent a delightful weekend attending Mardi Gras activities in New Orleans.

Roy and Myrtle Van Nort enjoyed a visit last week in Las Vegas, Nevada.

• Friends in the Eagle Lake and Altair areas were glad to visit with Mrs. Charlie (Pauline) Tyler of Corpus Christi. She spent from Sunday to Wednesday in this area renewing acquaintances with friends in the area. Mrs. Tyler is one of the Headlight's most avid readers and she says that she really looks forward to the "news from home" every week.

• Also a visitor in the Headlight office during the past week was J. G. Jenkins and a friend from San Antonio. Mr. Jenkins resided for many years in the Sheridan and Rock Island area and was prominent in oil and gas leasing activities. He still maintains a great interest in the oil and gas activity in the area.

Back From Singapore

• Mr. and Mrs. Scott Blair and children, Jennifer and J. Scott, returned to the States two weeks ago following seven and a half years in Singapore. He is associated with Hughes Tool Co. They are residing in Houston.

Mrs. Blair is the former Julia Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wells, Jr.

Chas. Waltons Visit Here

• The Rev. and Mrs. Charles Walton were delightful visitors briefly in Eagle Lake Tuesday afternoon. Friends were very pleased to see the former Colly Memorial Methodist Church pastor and his wife Ann.

They are pastoring a church in Midlothian and were presently enroute to Houston to visit a son, Rick, and his family.

Virnau & Sons Celebrates 20th Year This Thurs.

W. A. Virnau & Sons, Inc., with stores in Eagle Lake and Sealy, will be celebrating twenty years in business with a big "sell-a-bration and open house" Thursday, March 12th and citizens in the area are invited to make plans to attend the event.

The firm will be offering big discounts on parts, whole goods and toys.

Walter Virnau, Jr., owner and manager, says there will be free registration for prizes and refreshments served at both stores throughout the day.

Burglars Hit Camp House Near Weimar

Tom Kahlich of Columbus reported to the County Sheriff's office at 12 noon Sunday, Mar. 8th that his camphouse four miles south of Weimar had been burglarized.

Investigation revealed that entry was gained by breaking the glass in the front door. Missing were: a .410 shotgun, a black and white television set, and two .22 caliber Derringers taken from a glass case. Mr. Kahlich estimated his loss at approximately $650.00.

The sheriff's department is working on a lead pointing to three suspects but no arrests had been made late Tuesday.

Keep up with all activities of the Rice School District by reading the Headlight.

Rock Island Fire Dept. Sets Benefit BBQ April 12

Rock Island Volunteer Fire Department is making plans for its annual benefit barbecue to be held on Sunday, April 12th at the Rock Island Community Center. All citizens of the area are invited to make plans to attend in order to support the excellent work done by the volunteer firemen in Rock Island and surrounding area.

Tickets to the chicken and sausage barbecue dinner went on sale last week at $3.50 for adults and $2.00 for children. Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. You may dine in the Community Center or there will be plates to go.

Agricultural Observations

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5	68	51	64	55	.198	
6	68	44	61	53	.062	
7	60	58	60	57	.046	
8	67	46	64	54	.144	0.02
9	67	44	65	52	.140	

1/ In cooperation with National Weather Service & Texas Water Development Board

2/ Sheltered air temperatures

High pressure over Texas will slowly move eastward and allow Gulf moisture to increase over the Coastal Plains. This will increase the chance of rain over the Coastal Bend. Showers are expected to spread over the entire region Wednesday; cool, damp weather will likely extend into Thursday and Friday. Clearing skies should be noted Saturday. Weather patterns promise a gradual warming trend this weekend.

In the Rice Belt cool, damp weather the next few days may promote seedling diseases in early planted corn and sorghum. Damp soils and temperatures at the four inch depth in the upper 50s may decrease germination rates also. Soil temperatures aren't expected to change much this week. Growers planning to spray for greenbugs or other pests should try to complete operations today. Showers Wednesday through Friday will raise the risk of early wash-off. Radar reports and local forecasts should be checked before spraying is done.

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RAIDER BOYS IN STATE CAGE TOURNEY!

Raiders Meet Top Seeded Perryton In Austin Thurs.

Win Region III Title With Wins Over LaVega, Rockdale

The Rice High School Raiders boys' basketball team chalked up another milestone for Rice High School with the school's third entry in the Boys' State Championship after knocking off Rockdale in the Region III finals in Blinn Junior College gymnasium last Saturday night in a 42-40 squeaker.

Rice High School will now advance to the Class AAA State semi-finals to be held at the Special Events Center (the Super Drum) in Austin.

The Raiders [26-10] will meet Perryton [31-4] in the Class AAA opener at 2:00 p.m. this Thursday, Mar. 19th. Powderly - North Lamar and Van Vleck will meet in the other state semi-final contest at 3:30 p.m.

The two winners will advance to the Class AAA championship game Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m.

It was an exciting weekend for Raider fans who supported Rice at Blinn this past weekend. The Raiders opened with a 76 to 58 win over LaVega of Waco Friday night and on Saturday, Coach Jack Grammer's Raiders won the Region III Class AAA title with a 42 to 40 win over Rockdale. Rockdale won its opener with Warren 55-51.

The trip to Austin will mark the third time that Coach Grammer has guided the Raiders to the state tournament. The first time was in 1975 while competing in Class AAA and Rice was eliminated in the semi-finals by Grand Prairie. In 1979, the Raiders won their opener over favored Whitehouse but then lost in the finals to Seminole, that time in Class AA competition. This year the Raiders are back in Class AAA and hope to bring home the school's first state basketball title, although the Raiders are seeded fourth in the field of four teams (Perryton is the favorite).

Tickets to the Class AAA session [two games, one at 2 and the other at 3:30] Thursday were available at Rice High School only until 2 p.m. on Wednesday of this week but will be available at the Special Events Center in Austin. The tickets are $3.00. Raider fans should specify that they would like seating in the Raider cheering section [tickets sold at the high school this week were in Section 37 from the 11th row up].

Tickets for the 11:00 a.m. finals on Saturday will have to be purchased at the Special Events Center and will be available immediately following the semi-final contest.

A large following of Rice High School students and faculty members and loyal fans from throughout the district expect to accompany the Raiders to Austin Thursday to help form a large cheering section.

Wide Open Game Expected

Coach Grammer, assisted by Coach Gil Stalbaum, is working toward a wide-open contest with Perryton Thursday. Both teams expect to use a running game with man-to-man defenses. Coach Grammer commented this week that the fact that Perryton has not played many teams using a man-to-man defense may be to the Raiders's advantage.

The two teams should be about equal in height. Perryton starters include: guards Jeff Greenway 5'10" and Rick Herring 6'0"; forwards Gary Rinker 6'4" and Mark Buck 6'3"; and center Russ Osborne 6'6". Rice's starters include: guards David Grammer 6'3" and Vic Davis 5'9"; forwards Larry Haynes 6'5" and Earnest Fields 6'3"; and center or post Kenneth Bluntson 6'6". All Raider starters with the exception of Bluntson are seniors.

Coach Grammer says, "they are going to have to guard all five of us", noting that Fields and Davis have been scoring consistently along with Bluntson and Haynes who are also very strong on the boards and also the coach's son, David, has been a consistent scorer and good ball handler all season long.

Haynes will be competing in his second state tournament since he played in both games in the 1979 outing; while Grammer, Davis and Fields were also on the team but did not play.

David is the third son of Coach and Mrs. Grammer to play in the state tournament. Steve in 1975, and John in 1979. Also Kenneth will be the third Bluntson to compete in a state tournament, since brothers Lonniel and Dennis played in 1979.

Others comprising the Raider team in the state meet will be: John Dawson, 5'9", Ed Thomas 5'7", Ronnie Fry 5'9", Mike Black 6'0", Robert Frazier 6'0", Billy Townsend 6'1", Rob Johnson 6'0".

For those unable to make the trip to Austin, Radio Station KULM 98.3 in Columbus plans to broadcast the semi-finals and also if the Raiders win, the finals on Saturday morning.

Schools To Be Dismissed

In order that students and faculties might attend the state semi-final game Thursday and to make school buses available for the trip, classes in schools in the Rice District will dismiss at 10:30 a.m. Thursday morning.

Grammer and Region Trophy

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Sworn In As LCRA Bd. Member

Jay Anderson of Eagle Lake, left, is shown taking the oath of office administered by County Judge Lester J. Cranek, right, officially beginning a six-year term on the board of directors of the Lower Colorado River Authority. Mr. Anderson succeeds Sam K. Seymour, Jr. of Columbus, who served as an outstanding member of the board for thirty-six years. For more on the ceremony, see page 12 of this issue.

$198,648 Bid Accepted Tues. For Local Library Addition

Bids were opened at 3 p.m. Tuesday of this week for the addition to the Eula and David Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake and the bid of Scholz Construction Co. of La Grange, $198,648.00, was accepted and work is expected to begin on the addition with 10 days.

The addition will nearly double the size of the Wintermann Library, taking in the present driveway area on the north and the parking area at the rear of the present building.

The cost of the new addition will be a gift from Eula and David Wintermann. They gave the original facilities to the citizens of Eagle Lake in 1975.

Scholz Construction is expected to begin work on the project within ten days and anticipates completion in 180 working days. Other bidders were: Bohlman of Schulenburg who bid $206,000; Nichter & Bass of Rosenberg, $285,727; and A. Grohman and Son of Weimar offered to do the work for $195,080. Grohman's bid was the lowest bid by just over $3,000, however the Scholz bid was the one accepted because of the anticipated completion in 180 days while Grohman anticipated completion in 210 days.

Members of the Library Board, with David Wintermann president of the board presiding; and Architect Arthur J. Willrodt and Associates of Columbus were among those present for the bid opening.

More information on the work to be done, carried in our Nov. 29, 1980 issue, will be repeated in the next issue for the information of our readers.

2nd Rabies Clinic Here Saturday

The second, and final, rabies vaccination clinic, sponsored by the City of Eagle Lake with the cooperation of veterinarian Karen Buers, is slated to be held this Saturday, Mar. 21st from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Fire Department's meeting room on Postoffice Street.

The first session held last Thursday was disappointing with only 23 dogs and cats brought in for the rabies inoculation and registration as required under city ordinances.

Cost of the vaccination and registration is $5.00 per animal.

City officials warn that this is the final opportunity to have pets vaccinated against the dreaded rabies disease in the annual clinic held by the city. Pets not complying with the annual vaccination and registration ordinances are subject to being picked up and placed in the city pound.

2 Charged For Cashing 13 Stolen Money Orders

City Makes $3200 Payment To Ridgelea

Eagle Lake City Council, in regular session on Tuesday night of last week, approved a payment of $3200 to developers of the Ridgelea Addition in accordance with its contract at the time the subdivision was built as reimbursement for installation of streets and utilities in the addition.

The agreement between the city and the Ridgelea developers calls for a $1600 payment to be refunded to the developers in the year that each house in the addition is added to the tax roll. City Manager Bob Klockman reported that the Simon Landry and H. C.

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City's Sewer Bonds Sold For 8.686%

The City of Eagle Lake received a "good" bid of 8.686517% interest for the sale of $350,000 in general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing a new sewer plant. Bids for sale of the bonds were opened at a special meeting of the city council last Thursday night.

Five bids were received with the lowest bid for sale of the bonds with a ten-year maturity program being 8.686517% offered by Underwood, Neuhaus & Co., Inc. and The First National Bank of Eagle Lake. Total interest cost on the bonds will be $193,275.

Other bidders were: Fort Worth National Bank, 9.273034%; Dean, Witter, Reynolds, 8.857865%; Oppenheimer & Company 8.739325%; and Cullen Bank 8.784831%.

Representatives of Mooney, Beissner & Co. of Houston, the city's fiscal agent, present for the bid opening were David Fetzer and Peter Fisher and also the firm's attorney Dick Richards. Bill Harrison, Jr., First National Bank president, was also present for the bid opening.

City officials expressed pleasure with the bids received since the fiscal agent had indicated that the bids could run in the neighborhood of 9% or over.

The $350,000 in bonds voted by the citizens of Eagle Lake unanimously, 71-0, will be used as the city's 22% matching portion of the costs of the proposed $1.4 million sewer plant construction. The Environmental Protection Agency has notified the city that approval has been given for a $1,050,000 grant to the city to assist 75% of the costs of the new sewer facility.

Passed At Three Banks, Grocery; For $200 Each

Colorado County Sheriff's Department and city officers in Columbus and Weimar investigated the appearance of at least thirteen "bogus" money orders which apparently were stolen from a U-Totem Store in Houston and cashed at banks and businesses in this county. Two persons have been charged with theft in the incidents.

Monday, Colorado County Sheriff George (Doc) Mueller was called to the Hill Bank & Trust Co. in Weimar where he was given three American Express money orders which had been cashed at the bank Feb. 24th but were returned to the bank as being stolen money orders.

During the investigation, it was learned that three of the American Express money orders had also been returned to the Brookshire Bros. Store in Columbus as being stolen. Columbus Police Chief Tom Wine and his officers were investigating this incident and had filed charges on the person who had cashed the three money orders at Brookshire's.

This information was turned over to the sheriff's department to be consolidated with the Hill Bank investigation. But further investigation revealed that the First State Bank of Weimar had four of the stolen money orders and the Columbus State Bank had three, making a total of 13 involved.

Bobbie Jean Evans, 23, of Columbus was arrested by sheriff's department officers and charged with cashing the money orders. She implicated Gerald Booker, 19, of Columbus but now residing in Houston, as the one that brought the money orders to her to be cashed.

Each of the money orders

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Large Mobile Home Park Is Planned

The development of a large mobile home parking area on the eastern edge of the City of Eagle Lake was discussed with the city council on Tuesday night of last week by Carl A. Millentz, Jr. Millentz said that he was representing the owner, Dexter Anderson, who has 8.13 acres of land at the intersection of FM 1098 and FM 3013 and wants to develop a mobile home park that could accommodate up to sixty mobile homes.

Millentz was before the council to ask for assistance in getting water and sewer utility lines to the area. He noted that the developer plans to start with a section for 25 homes, which he said could be filled within three to four years. Eventual plans call for the development of the entire eight acres into spaces for sixty homes, over a long-range period.

Mayor Elmer Struss pointed out that the city has had a policy of not extending sewer lines any further than 50 feet and water lines 150 feet in order to provide respective utilities for customers. "I would hate to break a precedent after fifteen years.

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Postage Is Going Up Sunday

New postage rates are scheduled to go into effect this Sunday, March 22nd including an increase in the cost of mailing a first-class letter from 15c to 18c for the first ounce. Subsequent ounces of first-class mail will go up from 13c to 17c.

Postcards which now require 10c in postage will advance Sunday to 12c.

Eagle Lake Postmaster Robert S. Martin says that the office here will have a limited supply of stamps needed to bring postage up to the new levels and also envelopes with a non-denominational marking will be available for use until such time as envelopes and cards with the new postage requirements are printed.

C. of C To Study Coming Cemetery Space Shortage

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce members, in session Monday, heard a report on the impending shortage of burial spaces in Eagle Lake cemeteries and decided to form a committee to work toward development of more burial facilities for this community.

Joe Lee McCreary, president, and Lloyd Spalinger, vice-president, of the Lakeside Cemetery Association, told the chamber members Monday that only two platted plots remain unsold in the present Lakeside Cemetery. Spalinger added further that all plots in the Masonic Cemetery have been sold or are reserved for use of Masons and their families.

McCreary and Spalinger did add however that there is a small area in low ground on the south side of the present cemetery property that remains unplatted and unsold, but the low area may present a problem in developing this part of the cemetery.

During the meeting, some discussion was given to the possible expansion of the Lakeside Cemetery or to the purchase of land in another area. It was stressed that any new facilities should be without trees and the use of upright tombstones or markers should be restricted because of the increasing costs of maintenance around the burial plots and markers.

The Lakeside Cemetery officers expressed concern that funds now set aside for maintenance in that cemetery might soon be used up because of the high costs of labor and maintenance.

Committee Named

C. of C. President T. J. Smith named a committee to include himself, Spalinger, McCreary and Mrs. T. W. Scott, secretary-treasurer of the Lakeside Cemetery, Mrs. Robert Griffith, Headlight Editor Fred R. Frnka and City Manager Bob Klockman to meet at 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday, March 25th to discuss the cemetery problem.

Meanwhile the committee was to contact individuals for possible sale of land for expansion of the cemetery or

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Davidsons Married 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Davidson celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary last Sunday, March 15th, and they were honored on the occasion at a reception at the United Methodist Church in Eagle Lake. For more on the event see page 10 of this issue.