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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

U.S. Postal Service Announces Changes Made To Money Orders

The United States Postal Service wishes to inform all cashing institutions of changes made to both domestic and military money orders. These changes have been made to reduce processing costs.

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Rotarians See Outstanding Honors Won By Art Students

The outstanding art work done by students in the Rice Consolidated School District, and some of the many honors won by the students, were displayed to members of the Eagle Lake Rotary Club and guests at the club's meeting on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Major (Sandra) Benge, Rice High School art instructor, moderated the program and told of the types of work done and the honors won by the students from Rice High School and elementary and junior high schools in the district. Accompanying Mrs. Benge for the program were: Neomi Medina, Sharla Popp, David Grammer, Chris Gold, Keith Rabel, Michael Sibley, and Robert Frazier.

Mrs. Benge pointed out that art work on the elementary and junior level has been improving each year as students contribute to an even more successful program on the high school level.

"Many of these art students have decided that they can do art work and results have been very rewarding," noted the instructor.

The art program in Rice District has been acclaimed as one of the most outstanding in the state and nation and this is exemplified in the many honors won by the students.

Last year, the district's art entries in the Houston Livestock Show's art competition won the "Gran Prie" or top award from among over fifty school districts competing. This year, the Rice District art was nosed out in the final competition and had to settle for the reserve or second place title, which in itself is still an outstanding accomplishment since many of the schools competing are much, much larger than Rice District, noted Mrs. Benge.

Display Works Of Art

The students accompanying Mrs. Benge brought along many pieces of art which have been done by them and many other blue and red ribbon winners in the Houston Livestock Show Western Art Show and also in the U.I.L. Scholastic Art competition.

Miss Medina and Miss Popp had some of the top art in the Scholastic and Western competition and won both district and regional honors. Sharla's acrylic painting was judged the most outstanding entry in all of Texas and now is in New York competing on a national level.

Her entry won a special Hallmark Award for being among the top five entries in the state.

To gain the runner-up honors in the Houston Show, the top five entries from Rice High School were judged against other school entries, including work by Chris Gold best of show in high school division; Keith Rabel's gold medal winner in the high school competition; Neomi Medina's gold medal winner in high school art; Michael Sibley's best of show in the junior high division; and Cash Coble's best of show in the elementary division. Medina, Gold, and Rabel each received $50 gift certificates and Sibley a summer scholarship to the Houston Museum of Fine Art's School of Art.

There were a total of 3420 entries in the U.I.L. Scholastic Art competition and Rice District won two of the top awards, going to Sharla, best watercolor in Texas and to Neomi for best acrylic in Texas.

Other Honors

The instructor noted also that Rabel had a gold medal winner last year; and he had the best of show entry in the youth division of the Colorado County Fair last September.

Mrs. Benge told the group of other honors won by the Rice District art students, including a painting done by Janice Waligura which won the best of show award at a recent Wharton County Junior College art show; and Sharron Schneider who had the best watercolor in Texas last year. Her work was used to promote the Houston Livestock Show and was displayed in Houston papers and other advertising and also on the beautiful certificates awarded to the winners in the Scholastic Art competition. "Her name and the fact that she came from Rice Consolidated High School gave our art student and her school a lot of exposure over the entire state," said Mrs. Benge.

The Rotarians and guests expressed great appreciation for the outstanding work done by the students. T. J. Smith expressed the feeling of the membership though when he commended the art instructor for giving the students the opportunity and guidance "to bring forth talents which might have otherwise remained hidden."

The program was arranged for the club by Victor Scott.

The polar bear, which may weigh as much as half a ton and stand as tall as 8 feet on its hind legs when fully grown, is as tiny as a guinea pig at birth.

Leedo Still In Business Despite Huge Fire

Leedo Manufacturing suffered a tremendous loss on March 18 when fire destroyed over 50,000 square feet of production and warehouse area.

The fire, which attracted the attention of the three major Houston television stations, resulted in the loss of well over one million dollars in equipment and supplies owned by Leedo. The buildings lost in the blaze belonged to IIC, Inc. and are leased to Leedo Manufacturing. Fortunately, there were no injuries.

Cecil Wondrash of Leedo said, "There's no way I can express our appreciation to the East Bernard Fire Department and the other departments who came to our rescue. Their efforts saved our main manufacturing building and offices."

"I also want to say a special thank you to the local businessmen and individuals who provided food and drinks for all the firemen," said Wondrash.

"A county bulldozer and operator, whose name we didn't get, helped save our main building by pushing burning debris away. Dan Gertson provided a backhoe to aid in this operation. They have our sincere thanks."

Wondrash reported that the company is alive and planned to be back to 75 to 80 percent production by last week. All 142 employees will be working in two shifts.

Patricia Will, liaison with Mischer Corporation, the parent company, reported, "Prairie Grain, Crescent Chemicals, and Gayla Industries, have all provided space for warehousing Leedo supplies and products."

Wondrash said more warehouse space may be needed. If any is available, contact Leedo Manufacturing in East Bernard.

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Eva Gabor, Guy Lombardo Orch. Due At Windmill

One of the world's most glamorous actresses, Eva Gabor, will star in "Blithe Spirit", opening Tuesday, April 7, at The Windmill Dinner Theatre, in Houston. The Noel Coward Comedy classic about a romp in the really super, supernatural will be directed by Jack Booch of the New York Theatre Guild.

Tickets to Eva Gabor's "Blithe Spirit" are available at The Windmill Box Office, 390 Town and Country Blvd. in Town and County Village, 464-7655.

"The Sweetest Music This Side of Heaven" reigns again when the great Guy Lombardo Orchestra directed by Teddy Phillips takes the stage Monday, April 13, one night only, at The Windmill Dinner Theatre.

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B. Wayne Brasher, a former resident of Eagle Lake, has been promoted to executive vice president and cashier of First National Bank in Silsbee according to an announcement by Nelson Long Jr., president.

Brasher has been with First National since March, 1980 and has had the title of senior vice president and cashier since that time. He is in charge of all the operations of the bank.

Brasher resides with his wife, Claudell, and family at 102 Teakwood in Silsbee. He is currently serving as a director of the Silsbee Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Silsbee Country Club, and he and Mrs. Brasher are members of The First United Methodist Church of Silsbee.

New Oil, Gas Locations Near Altair, E.L.

A new location a mile west of Altair and a 10,000 foot wildcat six miles southwest of Eagle Lake highlight oil and gas activity in this area.

Glacier Energy Inc of Corpus Christi will drill the 10,000-foot test six miles southwest of Eagle Lake in the No. 1 Bauer in a 360-acre lease in the James Ross Survey.

Texas Oil and Gas Corp. has staked the No. 2 Parks "B" a 10,800 foot test a mile west of Altair in a 657 acre lease in the Puerta Tierra Survey.

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Oil and Gas Activity Near Garwood

Oil and gas activity this week is centered in the Garwood area where a deep wildcat probe is planned five miles south-southwest of Garwood and production data has been filed for a new producer 11.4 miles southeast of Sheridan.

Drilling is projected to go to 16,000 feet on the No. 1 Hancock by Paragon Resources, Inc. of Houston five miles south-southwest of Garwood on a 45-acre lease in the HE&WT RR Survey.

Kilroy Co. of Texas, based in Houston, will attempt to expand the Garwood Southeast Field with the location of the No. 2 Charles Kallina gas unit No. 1 in a 352-acre lease in the I&GN RR Survey, 11 miles southeast of Sheridan. The well is projected to 7,000 feet.

Production data in the Garwood Southeast (Y-4) Field, drilled to 6375 feet by Kilroy of Texas, showed potential of 43 barrels of oil, 11,000 cubic feet of gas and a small amount of water per day. Tubing pressure is 200 pounds per square inch and the well is producing from perforation 6,284 to 6,296. The well is located 11.4 miles southeast of Sheridan in a 352 acre lease block in the I&GN RR Survey.

Ammann Well Plugged

The No. 1 H. Ammann, three miles west of Garwood, has been plugged as a duster after drilling went to the 10,102 foot level.

Louis Laytons Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniv. In Rock Island

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Layton

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Layton of Rock Island celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary March 21st with a barbecue hosted by their children. There were about 150 friends and relatives in attendance. Many nice gifts were given and everyone had an enjoyable day.

Attending were: Miss Debra Briscoe, Mrs. Jannella Reka and Misty of Victoria; Keith Edds of Rock Island; Mrs. Jackie Baes of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Castillo and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Barletta and Family of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Schimek and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Layton and Family of Rosenberg; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Speck of La Porte; Mrs. Nelda Rindy and Mrs. Etta Gandy of Houston; Mrs. Ruth Ulbig and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kortz of Rock Island; Miss Patty Botard of Sheridan; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Milentz and R. L. Minter of Rock Island;

Also Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Layton of Bay City; Mrs. Eva Layton of Wadsworth; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Petrosky of Yoakum; Mrs. Ida Speck, Mrs. Retha Spindler, Mrs. Juanita Hamilton of Columbus; Mrs. Hertha Mayes, Mrs. Billy Mayes and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hudson of Rock Island; Mrs. Frances Hruzek of Weimar; John Stocks and Joe Vis of Houston; Mrs. Georgia Franks of Rock Island; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Alexander of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cook of Hallettsville; Mrs. Marie Trapp and Mrs. Fern Jones of Rock Island; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder and Family of Sheridan; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Briscoe of Bastrop; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Briscoe of Victoria; Mrs. Sarah Briscoe, Mrs. Dorothy Wilson and Mrs. Betty Layton of Sheridan.

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Kristine Ann Kelly and Charles William Runk of Austin were married last Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock at the Eagle Lake Methodist parsonage. Alice Runk of Austin was maid of honor and Brian Gammenthaler of Houston was best man.

Guests were Mrs. O. B. Runk of Port Lavaca, David Cornelius and Beverly Piper of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Gammenthaler of Houston, Michael and Brian Kelly of Austin.

A luncheon was served following the ceremony.

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With her and the hostess, family members gathered for the noon luncheon and afternoon of fun.

Guests of the Bowens for the weekend were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan of Georgetown. Mrs. Jordan was among family members at the delightful social.

The honoree graciously received lovely gifts from those present.

Agricultural Observations

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Date Mar	Air Temp 2/ Max	Air Temp 2/ Min	4-Inch Soil Temp Max	4-Inch Soil Temp Min	Evap (ins)	Rain (ins)
24	74	43	75	55	.224	
25	73	46	70	56	.167	0.05
26	75	57	70	61	.165	
27	79	56	75	61	.247	
28	74	63	70	65	.150	
29	72	56	69	64	.049	0.18
30	86	50	76	57	.278	0.11

1/ In cooperation with National Weather Service & Texas Water Development Board.
2/ Sheltered air temperatures.

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 are now on sale 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.

A cool front moving into the Texas Coastal Plains late Tuesday could stir up gusty northwest winds rather than showers, except for a few isolated rains over the eastern Rice Belt. A quick return of southerly breezes Thursday may provide enough moisture for a more significant outbreak of showers as the next cool front approaches late Friday or on Saturday.

Across the Rice Belt the western Rice Belt continues to have the more favored planting conditions for rice, as well as corn, sorghum and cotton. Soils eastward from Katy in Harris County are still somewhat cool and likely to cause delayed or poor rice germination. Foggy conditions should not repeat on Wednesday morning since the cool front should move through late Tuesday. This should mean a sunny, early morning which will aid soil warming. Interruptions in planting activities could be possible during late week. If soil temperatures in your area are only marginal for rice germination, then you should not be in a planting rush just to beat any shower delays.

April weather outlook for the Coastal Plains spring temperatures should warm up seasonably during April according to the monthly outlook. Rainfall for the month might be considered as lighter than usual when compared to past years. A projection for normal temperatures doesn't indicate any unusual problems for the growth of field crops and rice, lighter monthly rainfall points to good progress with planting completion and early weed cultivation. Climatic chances for rainfall normally increase throughout April, so most areas may continue to have adequate topsoil moisture. However, a lighter than usual rain month may not let subsoil moisture get back up to the more desirable levels in some areas. This could have late summer effects on field crops if the May rainfall stays light also.

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Last Rites Held Friday For Jesse Luna

A tragic incident in Richmond last Tuesday morning claimed the life of Jesse Luna, 24, of Eagle Lake and critically injured his wife, Elizabeth Sanchez, also of Eagle Lake.

The couple reportedly had been having marital problems and they went to the home of a brother in Richmond. They were found shortly afterward by another brother in a pickup truck parked in front of the house in Richmond. Jesse was dead at the scene from gunshot wounds and his wife Elizabeth was critically wounded from a gun apparently fired by her husband who then turned the gun on himself.

Elizabeth Luna was reported to be recuperating from her injuries in the Hermann Hospital in Houston.

Funeral services for Jesus Patricio (Jesse) Luna were held from Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Eagle Lake at 10 a.m. Friday, March 27th with the pastor Father Tom Hanus officiating at the Funeral Mass. Interment followed in the Lakeside Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were: Raymond Palacios, Jesse Navarro, Julian and Daniel Sanchez, John Osorio and Michael Luna.

Rosary was recited in the chapel of the Mill-Bauer Funeral Home at 7:00 p.m. Thursday with Father Hanus leading the prayers.

Mill-Bauer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jesse, as he was affectionately known to family and friends, was born Feb. 17, 1957 in Eagle Lake the son of Jose and Juanita Sanchez Luna. He graduated from Rice High School and was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. He was unemployed at the time of his death. Mrs. Luna had been working as a waitress at Jack's Restaurant.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Juanita Luna of Eagle Lake; his widow Mrs. Elizabeth Segura Luna of Eagle Lake; three sisters, Frances Coronado, Mary Franco and Epifania Moncada, all of Houston; six brothers, Leo and Johnny of Eagle Lake, Ruben of Richmond, Rudolph of Houston, Joe of Arkansas and Fidel of New Mexico; also numerous aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces and other relatives and friends.

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