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St. Mary's Cemetery Damaged By Twister



A number of large cedar trees, a landmark of the St. Mary's Cemetery at Nada, were twisted off and broken, each as is shown above, during the twister which hit the Nada community at around 3 p.m. Friday. Fortunately most large monuments and stones in the cemetery and nearby St. Mary's Church and School escaped with little damage.

Twisters

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Nada townsite, where another twister damaged a number of country homes and farm buildings. Some damage was done at the Leopold Bros. grain dryer and over half of a large metal building housing many items of farm equipment, owned by Leonard Swoboda, was twisted and smashed. Metal from the building, as well as other items (including a large stack of metal barrels) were strewn for several miles in a southwesterly direction. Damage To Power Lines Central Power and Light Co. had at least three poles twisted off and others damaged and about a mile of lines damaged; Wharton County Electric Cooperative showed poles and lines downed. Large metal poles being erected through this area for the power line from South Texas Power Project in Matagorda County to Austin, were forced down or bent over by the storm. Hail leveled numerous corn, maize, rice and cotton fields and also gardens. Homes in the area of the Swoboda farm, owned by Joe Papp and Leonard Koenigs families, had heavy damage from wind and rain. The heavy rains leveled fields and ditches in the area with water and some county roads were temporarily closed because of the water, but were reopened in short time. James Allen Schilling called to report that there was some damage done to barns and sheds and trees in the area between Garwood and Rock Island. As was the case the week before in the area in the northern part of the county hit by a similar storm, there were no injuries. Damage was however, expected to run into the thousands of dollars and it was an experience not soon to be forgotten.

Nearby Motorist St. Mary's Catholic Church, its school, rectory and parish hall escaped with only light damage, mostly to trees and windows.

School at St. Mary's had been dismissed and departed for their homes when the storm hit the Nada area. However, the heaviest damage was southwest of

Four To Seek F.B. Queen Honors Fri.

Four young ladies will compete for the title of Miss Colorado County Farm Bureau of 1981 this Friday night, May 8th beginning at 8 p.m. at the Columbus High School Auditorium. The public is cordially invited to attend. Those vying for the title from this area are Judy Bunge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Bunge, Jr. of Garwood, and Dianne Gertson, daughter of Boyce Gertson of Lissie. Also in competition are Melissa Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hunt; and Priscilla Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Davis, all of Columbus. Bill Carpenter of Garwood will interview the queen candidates.

Little Miss Parade—This year's participants in the Little Miss Parade are Tana, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewald J. Friedrich, Jr.; Chandra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Valls and Sarah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Fuchs, all of Weimar; Misty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crane of Garwood; Theresa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Adkins and Meredith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Anderson, both of Eagle Lake.

Two different acts will compete in this year's Talent Find. Melissa Hunt of Columbus will render a solo while Bill Willrodt also of Columbus will give a piano selection. Mrs. Betty Cady of Columbus will interview the little girls who are not actually competing for a title but are merely showing the public what Farm Bureau will have to offer in the way of queen competition in the future.

Winners in the Talent Find and Queen competition will advance to district competition to be held at Wharton the latter part of this summer. Winners of the district competition will advance to State Competition at the Texas Farm Bureau annual meet this year to be held at Corpus Christi in December.

Mrs. Bobby Hunt is chairperson of this year's activities and her helpers are Colorado County Farm Bureau directors' wives and executive secretaries. Judges are from Fayette County.

Teller Admits Forgeries Here

Eagle Lake Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner was in Austin on Tuesday last week to interrogate David Teller who is under arrest in the Travis County Jail in Austin on charges of forgery in that county.

Teller was indicted in this county for forgery of the name of Bob Ashby on Ashby Oil Company checks made out to a Phil Cheshier.

Winebrenner says that Teller admitted stealing six checks from the Ashby company where he was formerly employed and cashing the checks in La Grange, Eagle Lake and Columbus. The size of the checks ranged up to a \$2,221 for a check cashed on the Ashby account at First National Bank of La Grange.

Winebrenner says that Teller also forged the name of Irene Knight of Altair, on the account of Willie and Irene Knight at First National Bank in Eagle Lake, on checks passed at the Gulf Coast Savings branch office in Eagle Lake and Western Auto Store in Columbus.

Both checks were made out to Phil Cheshier. Teller reportedly deposited the \$600 check brought to the Gulf Coast Savings in an account. Association employees verified with the local bank that the check was good. However, Teller returned a few days later and withdrew all but \$600 of the deposit. The check at Western Auto in Smithville was in the amount of \$642.72, according to

City Council

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The city has been informed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency that Eagle Lake's flood plain plan is not adequate and that an ordinance would be needed to bring it back within federal regulations.

A problem at the new water plant on Davis Street has been diagnosed as a burned-out wire caused by moisture. The problem was originally thought to be caused by the type of wire used because it met with "very minimum" specifications.

Local Police Check On Two Purse Thefts

Eagle Lake police department investigated two cases of theft of purses during week before last.

Chief Winebrenner was called to Nelson Isenhower home on Partridge Lane at 7:30 p.m. April 21st by Mrs. Isenhower when she found a purse missing from an auto parked in front of her home.

She told Chief Winebrenner that she left the purse in an unlocked car at 7:00 p.m. the evening of April 20th but found the purse gone at 7:30 p.m. She reported that about \$120 in cash and a number of credit cards and other personal papers were in the purse.

Patrolman Jack Reed was called to the Rice Package Store at 8:30 p.m. April 25th by owner Alvin Kohlsfel who reported that a customer, Pearl Hurd, had left two black purses in her car when she came into the store. While she was in the store the purses disappeared. They contained no money but personal papers and records.

It was reported to the officer that two youths were seen on a bicycle in the area about that time, but they were not located.

Investigation in both cases continues.

Judy Bunge
Judy, a Rice High School Senior, is in the National Honor Society, Band, Business Club, FTA and Health Club. She was a high school cheerleader and on the varsity tennis team. She was a class officer for each of her four years in high school and sophomore and junior class favorite. She plans to attend the University of Texas under a National Merit scholarship. She is salutatorian of the RHS Class of 1981.

Dianne Gertson
Dianne is a sophomore at East Bernard high school and is active in the PTA, FFA, Sigma Mu and Band. Junior Historian and played tennis and participated in UIL typing. She was named East Bernard PHA member of the year in 1980-81.

Highway 90A
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machine designed to do such work.

He added further that plans are on the drawing board for complete resurfacing of the section of Highway 90A with a special hot-mix asphalt application designed to prevent future slide conditions on the road. This project is expected to be carried out this summer.

The portion of Highway 90A west of Eagle Lake has been the site of numerous accidents in recent weeks (including two fatalities) when the road surface became extremely slippery, especially following rain.

"We are moving with the utmost speed to remedy the condition," said the highway department representative.

Plane Crash
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from a dirt runway. When he tried to take off after the rain, the wet plane, the wet strip and wet load of fertilizer prevented the plane from successful takeoff. Knitig tried to dump the load to make the take-off but the soaked fertilizer was packed. The plane hit a canal bank at the end of the strip and the plane flipped over onto its top.

Winebrenner's report.

The chief said that the owner of the Western Auto in Smithville identified Teller by a photo taken by Winebrenner at the Travis County Jail and charges were due to be filed in that county last week.

Teller is being held in Travis County Jail on forgery charges there and further forgery indictments are expected to be returned in Fayette and Burtrop counties.

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ABOUT TOWN

A new employee in the Eagle Lake Police Department office is Julia McClintock, who began duties this week as a secretary to Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner and other officers on the local staff. McClintock lives in Garwood where she came recently from Abilene, Texas. In Abilene she worked for some six months with the Abilene city police.

The Provident City Hotel was the subject for a segment of the Eyes of Texas program on Houston television last Saturday. The segment included photos of the interior and exterior of the hotel, some of its history which was explained by R. H. Hancock one of the owners of the historic old hotel.

Work has been started on foundation work for a new home for Gerry Clippon, on Highway 90A near the roadside park. Contractor is Kollmann Contracting of Columbus.

Work is also progressing, weather permitting, on a 12-unit apartment complex by Jim Faulk on Austin Road between Heritage House and the Hospital. A unique feature of these apartments will be that they will be solar-powered, hence the unique design noted by observers of the construction project.

Work is also getting underway on new homes for the Jerry Pusztovjaky family and the Henry La Kretschmar on Partridge Lane in the Ridgelea Addition. Contractor for the Pusztovjaky house is Bennie Kansteiner and for the Kretschmar, B/H Constructors.

Work is almost complete on a new home for the Howard Wilkerson on Waverly St. Contractor is Lake Lumber Co. of Eagle Lake.

County Gets \$845.96 Mixed Drinks Tax
State Comptroller Bob Bullock reports that collection of the state's mixed drink tax during the first quarter of 1981 was up 29 percent over the same period last year. Bullock said the state received \$28.5 million in taxes on the sale of mixed drinks for the first three months of this year.

Colorado County received \$845.96 from collection of the 15% and the City of Columbus received \$447.00. Austin County received \$709.49 and San Felipe \$50.56; Fayette County \$3,658.26 and La Grange \$141.67; Lavaca County \$1,101.42 and Moulton \$779.94 and Hallettsville \$321.49; Wharton County \$4,342.23 and Wharton \$2,571.28 and El Campo \$274.09.

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Gift Deed, Leslie E. Miller et ux to Gary L. Miller et ux to Lee Kovack et ux 1.00 Acres G. Strawnweider League 3-23-81.
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Deed, Stanley Schmitt to Charlie Semora et ux undivided interest 210.33 Acres Joseph Semora Survey 3-25-81.

Parents From England Visit Cumberworths
Mr. and Mrs. H. Jackson of Kingsland, Norfolk, England left for their home Saturday, May 2 following a four week visit here with the family of their daughter, Mrs. R. J. Cumberworth, Mr. Cumberworth and daughter, Allison. They visited interesting points in the area such as the NASA Space Center and were here at the most appropriate time, to see the beautiful wild flowers in full bloom over the countryside.

Mrs. Jackson described this as one large flower garden and was delighted with the Texas weather. They truly enjoyed their visit and the sightseeing while here, reported Mrs. Cumberworth.

Florida Man Dies In Fiery Crash Thurs.
A 29 year old Florida man died in the fiery crash of his 1973 Plymouth Station Wagon 1.7 miles east of Columbus at around 12:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7th.

Highway Patrolman Sam Trammell of the Columbus station investigated. He reported that the station wagon was being driven east on IH 10 by Larry G. Larios of Tampa, Florida when the driver lost control and the vehicle went through the guard rail - and crashed to the railroad tracks beneath the overhead crossing. The vehicle burst into flames and Larios died in the burning vehicle.

A passenger, Daniel Yoder, 37, also of Tampa, was seriously injured and was taken to the Columbus Hospital and later transferred to another hospital.

The vehicle was completely destroyed in the crash and fire which followed.

Michele Sibley Wins Rodgers, Wintermorn Nursing Awards
Miss Michele Sibley, Rice High School senior and daughter of The Rev. and Mrs. J. Mobern Sibley, was two nursing scholarships during the Wintermorn Rodgers nursing awards assembly held last Friday at Eagle Lake. Michele is shown receiving the Rodgers nursing scholarship and the Rodgers and David Wintermorn nursing scholarship from RHS Counselor William F. [REDACTED] Carpenter. Michele plans to attend Baylor University.

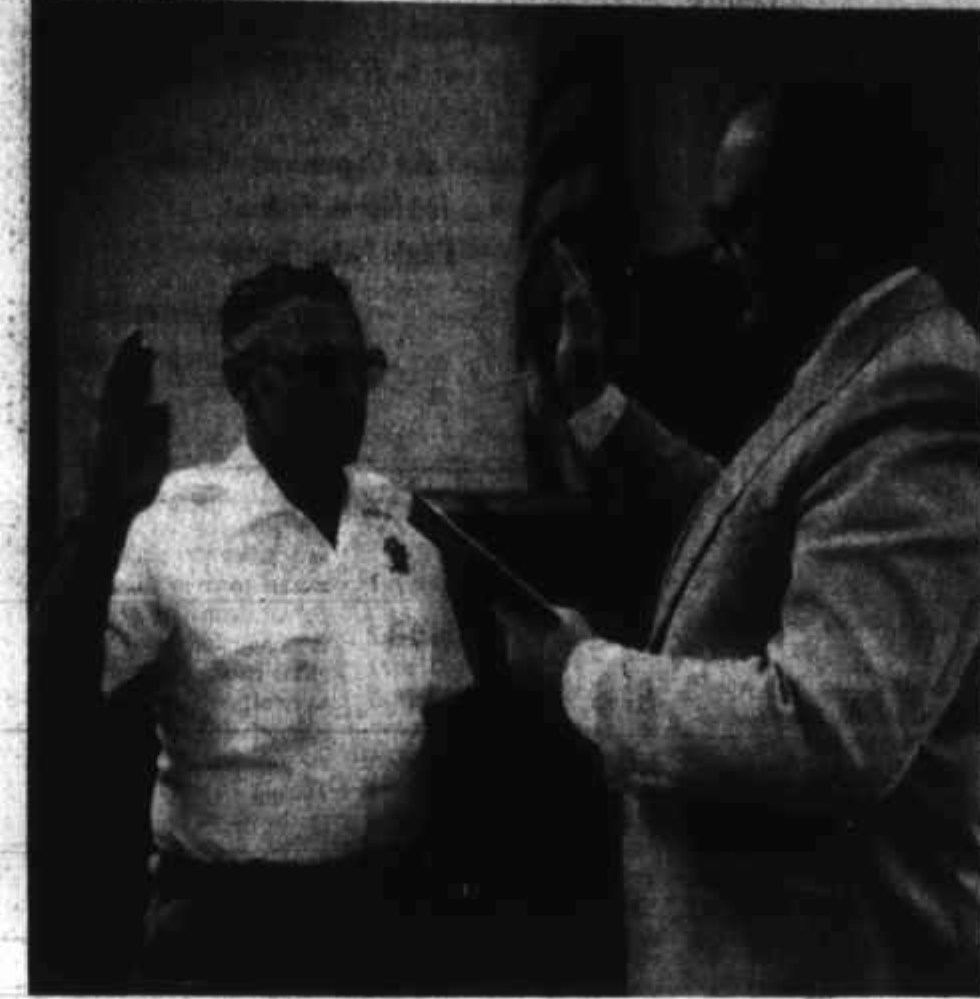
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Sheriff Broussard Takes Oath



Sheriff Jim Broussard, left, receives the oath of office from County Judge Lester J. Crane following his unanimous selection to fill the County Sheriff's position held by the late George [REDACTED] Sheriff Broussard will fill the office until the next general election which will be in November of 1982. It is that election a successor to Mueller will be named for the remainder of his four-year term which ends on Dec. 31, 1984.

Jim Broussard Is County's New Sheriff

Colorado County Commissioner Monday morning, unanimously approved the appointment of Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Broussard to the position of Sheriff of Colorado County until the next general election which will be in November of 1982. Broussard was appointed to a position left vacant by the untimely death of the late Sheriff George [REDACTED] Mueller who began a new four-year term of office on January 1, 1981. He died suddenly of a heart attack May 1st, 1981.

Sheriff Broussard will fill the office until the general election in November of 1982 at which time a sheriff will be elected to serve the remaining portion of the Mueller's term which officially ends on Dec. 31, 1984.

County Judge Lester Crane and members of the court, Commissioners Otto Loerlein, Rafael Veselka, Jerome Wicks and Louis W. (Bill) Stiles, Jr. all expressed confidence in Broussard's ability to fill the office capably. Judge Crane noted

that all of his contacts had stressed that experience was essential in the office. The judge commented that names of former highway patrolman George Hoppe and David Zajek had been mentioned as candidates for the appointment but both had withdrawn in favor of Broussard.

Other commissioners commented that virtually all contacts they had made favored the promotion of Broussard from Chief Deputy to Sheriff of this county.

Retired Air Force Policeman Sheriff Broussard has had a total of thirty years in law enforcement, twenty of which were served with the United States Air Force where he retired as a Master Sergeant after being in charge of air police at Abilene, Texas Air Force Base for a number of years. He later served for two years as jailer in Taylor County, then came to Colorado County to serve as a deputy under Sheriff Mueller for two years, before returning to Taylor County to serve

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Rice CISD Bd. OK's Staffing And Needs Assessment

Only Minor Changes Made In 1981-82 Staff Assignments

The board of education of the Rice Consolidated Independent School District met Monday night and approved the recommendation of Superintendent Harold King on staffing assignments for the 1981-82 year with only minor changes from the current staff; and approved a needs assessment report which is required by the Texas Education Agency in order to maintain accreditation.

The board also appointed E. J. Parris of Eagle Lake, Lawrence Burger of Garwood and W. P. Crumpton of Sheridan to a board of equalization. This board will hold a preliminary meeting with the valuation engineering firm on May 26-27; and will meet with oil and gas and utility property owners the morning of June 8th. Local property owners will meet with the board the afternoon of June 8th and also all day on June 9th.

Supt. King told the trustees Monday night that preliminary indications are that the

expected to have 30 students in 1981-82, 17 in the first grade and 13 in the second, with a great diversity of mental ability. They stressed that this creates a real problem for the teacher and hinders the education of some students in the top levels of mental ability.

Supt. King discussed the teacher-pupil ratio at all campuses in the district and district will have an increase of around 17 million in tax valuations which will set the district an additional \$87,500 in tax revenue for the next school year. He pointed out that these are very preliminary estimates and may change, up or down, when the board of equalization completes its work.

Staffing Discussed
The board spent considerable time in discussing staffing for the 1981-82 year, primarily on the possibility of returning grades one and two of the Garwood school to individual teachers instead of combining the two grades under one teacher.

Board members John Engstrom and Billy Hefner of Garwood pointed out that the two combined grades are

City Council Opens Bids; Discusses Fee Revisions
The Eagle Lake city council expected to take action on four sets of bids at its regular meeting on Tuesday night of this week, however, they were only able to approve one set of bids, while rejecting another set and extending deadlines on submitting bids on the other two.

A bid for new flooring in the Eagle Lake Post Office, located in the Municipal Building, was approved by the council for the amount of \$3,365. Columbus Carpets entered the successful bid. B/H Constructors of East Bernard was the only other bidder submitting a bid of \$3,985.

The council also opened bids for a set of four new radios for the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Dept., however, the three bids entered were rejected because specifications set by the city did not include a complete job. The council decided to readvertise for bids with not only the cost of the radio to be included, but also installation charges and a list of expenses for additional repairs and parts needed to complete the job.

Seymann's Communications of East Bernard, Webb Electronics of Eagle Lake and Mobile Radio Inc. of Rosenberg were the only bidders.

5 Teachers Resign, 2 Are Hired
The Rice Consolidated District's Board of Education Monday night accepted resignations from five teachers (at the end of the 1980-81 school year) and approved contracts for two new faculty members for the next school year.

Resignations were accepted from A. G. Matlage, Rice High School chemistry teacher; LaNol Eschberger, junior high school coach and social studies teacher at Eagle Lake Middle School; Jo Lynn Petrovsky, kindergarten and early childhood instructor at Eagle Lake Primary School; Paulette Sanchez, fifth grade teacher at ELMS; and Lewis Hem, special education teacher at Rice High School.

The board approved a contract for Martha Charlene Lawson who holds a BS degree from North Texas State University and Master's degree from the University of Houston and with 6 years of teaching experience in Fort Bend County, to teach language arts and reading at Eagle Lake Middle School.

Also a contract was approved for Dollie Mae Adams Johnson, a graduate of Stephen F. Austin University in physical education and former coach of Central High School in Naacodoches, to be the new girls P.E. instructor and assistant girls' basketball coach at Rice High School.

Outstanding Older Texan
Mrs. L. V. [REDACTED] Crane of Garwood, left, was named the 1981 Outstanding Older Texan Woman in Colorado County at the Older Texans' Fair in Nada last Thursday. At the right is Herman Wolner, chairman of the County's Older Texans Committee. For more on the Fair and awards see page 1 of section 2.

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Burglars Hit Clyde's Food Mkt., The Back Door
Eagle Lake police are investigating the burglary of two Eagle Lake businesses places this week. Entries were reported Monday morning at Clyde's Food Market at 304 Postoffice Street and at the Back Door bar and billiard parlor on East Main Street.

Patrolman Gil Green received a call at 5:15 a.m. from Clyde Farthing reporting the entry at Clyde's Food Market. Investigation revealed entry was made by breaking in a window on the south side of the building. Taken were two Bushkin knives and ten cartons of cigarettes, all valued at \$80.00. The officer reported that an apparent attempt was made to find money but found none. A window in a door on the north side of the building was broken and the burglar apparently exited in that manner.

Chief of Police Earl Winebrenner received a call from LaVon Nicholson, owner of the Back Door, Monday morning to report that her business had been entered by breaking in a back door.

Missing was a large amount of coins and currency including an estimated \$100 to \$200 in dimes, \$75 in Susan Anthony dollars, 2 or 3 silver dollars, \$20 to \$30 in half dollars and a quantity of pennies. All of them were taken from a cash register. Also taken were from \$20 to \$40 in one and five dollar bills from a jar on a counter behind the bar.

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Investigation in the burglaries was still underway this week.

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Disaster Aid Sought For Areas Hit By Storms

Damages To Over 20,000 Acres Of Crops Running In Millions



Colorado County's U. S. Department of Agriculture Emergency Board has recommended and Colorado County Commissioners' Court has concurred in a request that Governor Bill Clements designate this county as a disaster area due to heavy damage from storms in the northern part of the county April 23rd and in the southern part of the county May 1st.

The emergency board, comprised of Daniel C. Streckfus, County executive director of the County ASGS office, chairman; Theodore Panchalk, FmHA county supervisor; Nelson J. Schneider, FmHA county committeeman; County Extension Agent Leroy J. Hajdik and district soil conservationist Connie Fair, reviewed the damage done by the storms, in the company of Precinct 3 Commissioner Jerome Wicks May 6th.

In that meeting it was the "unanimous opinion of the disaster committee that the destruction caused by the natural disasters was the worst in Colorado County in over 100 years." It was further determined that the farmers and farm communities of Colorado County had sustained untold physical and 1981 crop damage to such an extent that could not be recovered over a long period of time and because of the disaster, Colorado County should be declared a "disaster county and all assistance made available to the affected area through the responsible

Murder Charges Filed In Glidden Shooting

A Glidden woman has been charged with murder and is in the Colorado County jail in lieu of a \$5,000 bond following the shooting of her husband in a family argument at a Glidden home early last Sunday.

At 4:33 a.m. Sunday, the Colorado County sheriff's office was notified of a shooting at the residence of Dorothy and Doc Bryant near Glidden. Investigation revealed that Dorothy and Doc Bryant had been having a family problem and had argued during Saturday and Sunday night. In a statement by the woman, she said

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