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Marijuana valued at \$1.6 million flown into area near Nada

Three-fourths of a ton of marijuana that apparently was flown into Colorado County near Nada on Monday night has been confiscated by the Colorado County sheriff's department.

Sheriff Jim Broussard said the 1,512 pounds of marijuana was valued at an estimated \$1.6 million.

Officials from Colorado and Wharton counties are cooperating in the investigation that so far has netted two trucks, the marijuana, the arrests of three men being held for \$100,000 bail, and identification on an airplane that has been located in Fort Worth.

The action started just before 11 p.m. Monday when Constable Lawrence Berger of Garwood was notified by a concerned citizen that an airplane had

landed near Nada under the cover of darkness. Berger called the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Broussard said he learned about two trucks that apparently were used to haul the weed away from the landing site, while the plane took off.

One of the vehicles, an orange pickup with a camper, was stopped after Lt. Lucien LaCourse and Deputy Keith Riels saw it on County Road 333 at 11:21 p.m. Two men in the truck were arrested when they were unable to identify owners of the truck, and for running the stop sign at 33 and U.S. 71. Marijuana could be seen through the windows of the camper.

Just before midnight the second truck was stopped for an identification check by Captain Buford Ashley.



This spray painted sign will be painted over.

Part of Rice High roof to be re-done; drains for all roof areas OKed

The academic and shop buildings at Rice High School will be re-roofed in the near future, if plans the district's school board approved Monday can be carried out.

On a motion by Billy Hefner, and unanimously approved by the board, it was voted that as much as \$275,000 may be spent to re-roof those two sections of the school as well as add roof drains to the entire school. Bill Appelt was not able to attend the meeting. Serious leakage problems have been encountered at the school as the asphalt-roof, that was designed and built with no drainage system, has begun to deteriorate.

Last week the board heard a plan by an architect and roofing consultant that they said will fix the problems, and provide the school with a roof guaranteed for 20 years.

If the board had voted to fix the entire school, the cost could have been as much as \$441.9 thousand. That would have re-roofed all the buildings at the school.

However, the board voted only to repair the two leaking sections, and hope that installing drains will prevent further problems. Presently, those two sections that receive just drains are not leaking, but water pools on the roof cause a rapid deterioration of the asphalt roof.

The decision also was based on the school system's reserve cash fund.

Full roof replacement, according to Supt. Harold King, might bring the reserve fund to a figure lower than recommended by the state. "I'd rather have the cash reserve," he said. "I'm conservative... you don't know what will happen next."

Hefner emphasized that although the board voted to proceed with design and bidding of the new roof work, the board still has the option to reject bids if they are too high.

It will take approximately three months to receive the work and design bids before the board will have a better idea of the exact cost, and when the work might be done.

Miscellaneous Mischief

Students asked to confess to painting signs

There is a message for Rice High School students who have been painting various items around Eagle Lake, such as street signs.

"If they will come in (to the police department) and tell us, then pay for their damage, we won't file any charges," Police Chief G. Steen said Monday. Otherwise, charges will be filed and the penalty if found guilty is a fine of up to \$2,000 or a year in jail, or both.

"We know who they are," Steen said. At least thirteen signs, one vehicle and one building were painted recently.

The department, including Officer Ronnie Frankum, had a license plate number, traced its ownership to a student at the school and then interviewed a number of

Chamber director nominees to be chosen, voted on

Nominees for four positions to open on the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will be chosen next week, and members will be asked to vote on them in early November.

At the regular monthly chamber meeting held at noon Monday at the Sportsman Restaurant, president Roy Dean Van

Waddell, Larry Dulany and Steve Edwards to make up the nominating committee.

As many as eight persons will be nominated, but only four will be chosen.

Board members whose terms expire at the end of December are Van Nort, Sandra Rodgers, T. J. Smith and Robert Wilcox. Board terms expiring next year are held by Fred Frank, Robert Klockman, Jo Ann Mahalite and L. J. "Sonny" Spaniel. Terms expiring in 1984 are held by Larry Dulany, Dr. Steve Edwards, Ralph Truly and Liz Waddell. Board members serve three-year terms and cannot serve consecutive terms. Past presidents also serve on the board.

Along with the board ballot, members will be notified of holidays the chambers may observe next year, in order to give members the opportunity to comment.

Van Nort told the board he had asked the Eagle Lake Lions Club to sponsor a parade in conjunction with the Chamber's arrival of Santa, scheduled for the first Saturday in December. Normally, the club has a parade in conjunction with its carnival each year.

Expenses of \$382.99 were presented for payment, and income was reported as \$18.70 in interest earned plus the \$25 quarterly dues payment from Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. The chamber have had a balance of more than \$4,000 but the work done to rebuild the float has not yet been paid, as they are waiting on an invoice.

The speaker for the January annual banquet has confirmed that he will be here. It will be Cecil E. Massey, city manager of Lockhart, a dinner speaker who can be entertaining as well as informative.

The banquet is scheduled for January 18, and it again will be a catered dinner, with the menu yet to be chosen.

Central Appraisal District to be here October 28

The Colorado County Central Appraisal District will be at Hopkins' Rice Office in Garwood from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 27 and will be at the council room of the Municipal Building in Eagle Lake from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday and Friday of next week, October 28 and 29.

They will be collecting taxes for county, Rice CISD and in Garwood, water control and improvement district no. 2.

Duck, Goose Edition to be printed Nov. 4

The Eagle Lake Headlight will publish the annual Duck and Goose hunting edition on Thursday, November 4. The seasons officially open at one-half hour before sunrise on Saturday, November 6th.

All hunting clubs and other businesses interested in placing advertisements in the annual hunting edition, must have copy in the Headlight office by 5 p.m. Thursday, October 28. Call our office, 234-5571.

Police asks business, building owners for emergency information

The Eagle Lake Police Department is creating a special file of information to help businesses in the area when the police need to contact someone in a hurry.

They are creating a file of business and building owners, with names and telephone numbers of people who have keys to those buildings.

Letters distributed Friday and Monday ask that a form be completed and returned to the department as soon as possible.

"The system will consist of a listing of all businesses, their addresses and phone numbers, and people associated with the businesses to be called in case of emergency," the letter reads.

The information will be included in an alphabetical card file, available at the dispatcher's fingertips, so there will be no time wasted trying to locate an owner or someone with authority.

The letter also asks owners to keep the information current if changes are made in the business.

Ribbons awarded for Garwood Fair Parade entries

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There were 23 entries in the parade kicking off the Garwood Lions Club Fair and Carnival last Saturday. Categories and the award winners are:

Floater: grand prize to Colorado County Fair; second to Weimar Chamber of Commerce; third to Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce; and fourth to Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan.

Unique entry: first place to the old two-cylinder John Deere tractor by Eagle Lake Implement Co., and second place to the Sheridan Ambulance Corps.

Decorated bicycles: first to the bike and rider decorated as the movie character ET; second place went to Class Clowns; third place to the Mop Head Clown with a green decorated bike; and fourth place was the clown with the red wig with a green checkered suit. (Further identification was not provided to the newspaper.)

Drill teams: first place to Darin Dolls; second place to the Strutters under the direction of Marilyn Thomas.

Decorated vehicles: first to the Rice Classroom Teachers; second place to Rice High School cheerleaders.

OUR GOAL

\$12,000



United Way Report: 25% of goal

Although contributions and pledges appear to chairman Vic Scott to be coming in a little slower this year, he reported Tuesday the United Way fund for Eagle Lake was at 25 percent of its goal. So far, \$3,174 has been collected toward the hoped for \$12,000 needed to support the local and regional agencies who contribute support. Scott asks those who have pledge envelopes to turn them in as soon as possible, or make contributions to the First National Bank of Eagle Lake.

234-5571

New hospital number

The new telephone number for Eagle Lake Community Hospital is 234-5571. Jack Harrell, hospital administrator, announced October 4.

The number change was necessitated when the hospital changed from five to eight trunk lines, because of hospital expansion.

The number change decreases the chance of a taller receiving a busy signal, since the call will rotate to an available line, unless all eight new lines are in service.

"Please write this number in your directory's frequently called numbers or on the page showing emergency numbers," Harrell urged.

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