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Information about your changing telephone service
John Paul Johnson, Community Relations Manager

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You may have noticed recently the national advertising reminding customers that they now have the option of buying certain telephones which are currently being leased on a monthly basis.

As you recall, this optional sales plan became effective in Texas in March. Should you buy your telephone? The decision is yours. One of the biggest advantages of buying your phone is that you'll eliminate the monthly leasing charge. On the other hand, one of the biggest advantages to leasing is that we'll continue to repair your set for no additional charge.

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In addition to the above listed telephones which are presently in service, the company also has the same type of sets for sale from its inventory. The price of in-stock telephones is higher, though, since these sets are either brand new or completely reconditioned.

All single-line customers in Texas — both residence and business — are eligible to participate in this plan. Because of FCC regulations, party-line customers are not eligible at this time to buy their leased telephones.

Speaking of party-line customers, we received a call the other day from a party-line customer with a question: "Have you folks forgotten about your party-line customers?" he asked.

This customer was concerned — understandably so — about what will happen in the future to party-line phones. We haven't said much about the future of this service in talking about changes coming in our business. We don't have all the answers yet, but this we do know: Party-line customers will not lose their service. We certainly have not forgotten about these customers.

It may be that customers on party-lines will be able to purchase their phones, if they wish. This can't be done now because of the wiring. Or it may be that these customers still will lease their phones.

The point is, though, that party-line customers need not worry about having phone service. One thing you can be certain about: Telephone service will still be available to you.

Incidentally, you may have heard you will be forced to buy your phone after January 1, 1984. That's not true. You may continue to lease your phones, whether they're owned by Southwestern Bell or AT&T.

Remember, if you have a question or comment you'd like to pass along, don't hesitate to let me know. Here's my address:

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Opinion

DA not risking being called soft by press



STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

The Travis County District Attorney who drew fire for not prosecuting House Speaker Gil Lewis' financial disclosure slip-up is now probing the campaign files of several Texas officials.

The DA, Ronnie Earle, is investigating possible campaign report violations by Texas Atty. Gen. Jim Mattox. Earle is targeting Mattox's loan to himself of \$125,000, but the thread leads back to South Texas rancher Clinton Manges, who donated to several statewide candidates last year who has attracted close inspection by the Capitol press. Now the DA is watched by the press as he examines the Mattox file, and he is obviously not going to run the risk of being called soft on political crime again.

He is also looking into the campaign files of several other candidates who received money from Manges, including former Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong who got \$200,000 from Manges in losing the '82 gubernatorial primary.

Earle is also looking over records from present Land Commissioner Garry Mauro and all nine members of the Texas Supreme Court.

Armstrong, who now works for Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower, said Earle was doing a Manges-Mattox oriented investigation, and the DA confirmed he was searching periphery records, although he was only looking into the Mattox allegation.

Ethics duck

Last week the House Ethics Committee not only decided not to look into

guarantors or inter-mediate other than the candidate.

In contrast, Land Commissioner Mauro, whose reports list the banks and co-guarantors of his campaign loans, believes it was the intent of the Legislature to make candidates say where the money was coming from, whether directly or indirectly.

Democratic candidates weren't the only ones to be caught in the confusion. Former Houston Sen. Mike Richards, who lost running for comptroller, also did not report Houston banks as the sources of about \$200,000 he loaned, his campaign.

Two weeks later, White's decision ends any inquiry which might be made in the House of Representatives. Whether some other governmental body takes up the investigation remains to be seen, but most observers feel the case is closed, at least until next election.

Stricter interpretation?

The widespread practice of such campaign transactions has sparked controversy over how the campaign reporting law, which was written in early 1981, should be enforced.

White's Secretary of State John Fainter asserts that a candidate is not required to reveal the bank loan, if there were no

Governor faulted

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Letters to the editor

To the Editor:

Presently, I make numerous trips during the day through Eagle Lake. In the past few weeks I have noticed that the Eagle Lake Police Department has increased surveillance on the west side of town along 90A which is under construction. Would the city of Eagle Lake consider increasing the speed limit or would these improve-

ments, in essence, be creating a speed trap?

In the past I have received speeding tickets along this section of road and know that other truckers have been guilty of the same violation. Eagle Lake receives considerable revenue from the trucking industry and we, the truckers, will be prey for the E.L.P.D. after the widening is completed.

Concerned, 15 Wheelers

I am afraid to contact the mayor or city council of Eagle Lake in fear that they will make an example of me. Could you please check on this situation for us truckers.

To the Citizens of New Town:

I am asking that all the citizens of the New Town community pitch in and help keep the street lights on. If every family doesn't help out with the lights, they will be cut off.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

R. D. Kuykendall, 25, Eagle Lake, and Rosa Gonzales, 24, Eagle Lake. 7-19-83

Salome Cantu, 65, Eagle Lake, and Celia Limonta Yglesias, 41, Eagle Lake. 7-20-83

Gary Wayne Helmcamp, 19, Weimar, and Janelle Lynn Kainer, 21, Weimar. 7-20-83

David Dale Vaughn, 23, Columbus, and Carol Faye Kanstner, 19, Columbus. 7-21-83

Glen Eugene Olson, 22, Port Ogden, Oregon, and Tamalyn Kay Novak, 25, Columbus. 7-25-83

COLORED COUNTY COURT JUDGMENT

Jerry Lewis, Columbus, fined \$200 on charge of pelling beer after hours.

DISTRICT COURT SUITS FILED

Texas Employers Insurance Assn. vs Sirca J. Wilson; workman's compensation. 7-14-83

Hull, Grisell & Edwards vs Tejas Gas Corporation; seeking writ of garnishment for approximately \$11,000. 7-21-83

Hull, Grisell & Edwards vs NRG Gatering Co.; seeking writ of garnishment for approximately \$11,000. 7-21-83

Deed, Ruby Lee Ames to Katherine B. Milton, lots 4 and 5, block 40, Garwood. 7-7-83

Deed, David M. Harvey to Thomas E. Green, lots 19 through 24, block 41, Rock Island. 6-17-83

Deed, Anton Pavlicek, Jr. et al. to R. Richard Heffley et al., 10,127 acres, James Cummins League. 7-25-83

Deed, Everitt C. Dutcher to Rubin Lee Noske et al., 10,038 acres, Martin Ramsey Survey. 7-8-83

Deed, James T. Marek et al. to Paul W. Rode et al., 3.00 acres, Wm. Hudgones Survey. 7-2-83

Deed, Ray H. Kusey et al. to Lee Almsworth, Jr. et al., 1.00 acre, Henry Austin Five League. 6-7-83

OIL, GAS LEASES

Singer Brothers to H. G. Holcomb, Jr., 393.6 acres, Joseph Glueck Survey. 8-25-82

Alan J. Antwell to H. G. Holcomb, Jr., 393.6 acres, Joseph Glueck Survey. 8-25-82

Malbaine Popp Beard to Oil and Gas Reserves Inc., 66.5 acres, Asa McClure Survey et al. 6-10-83

Glenda Popp to Oil and Gas Reserves Inc., 66.5 acres, Asa McClure Survey et al. 6-10-83

Harold L. Lamkin to Chapman Oil Co., 163.03 acres, 1 & G N RR Co. Survey. 6-17-83

Clifton O. Schneider et al. to Atlantic Richfield Co., 25,296 acres, Howard McElroy Survey. 5-12-83

Roger D. Ellers et al. to Atlantic Richfield Co., 5.00 acres, William Hudgones Survey. 5-20-83

Henry E. Lehman to Gettys Oil Co., 57 2/7 acres, James Cornett Survey. 6-17-83

Emmelie Konarik to Atlantic Richfield Co., 310.15 acres, William Hudgones Survey et al. 4-21-83

Anderson and Story Glass Co., Inc. to Atlantic Richfield Co., 3,024.3 acres, Howard McElroy Survey. 6-1-83

Emmelie Konarik to Atlantic Richfield Co., 19.5 acres, Howard McElroy Survey et al. 4-21-83

Early registration in Wharton near end; classes start soon

Early registration for the fall semester at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton is nearing the final two weeks, with one thousand students already signed up for classes which begin August 29.

College officials urge students to contact them as soon as possible since there are so many advantages to early registration. Students have more time to consider their options for a higher education. Extended counseling and leisurely course planning is available without the stress of an impending deadline.

Students who want to work this fall will know their class schedule and can advise employers in order to set up working hours that accommodate both. Early registration also provides a greater selection of class time available and students can enjoy the rest of summer knowing they are ready for college this fall.

Students must obtain an appointment before they are able to sign up for classes. Registrants may choose a convenient date and time after submitting required admissions information.

No appointment is necessary to consult with WCCJ counselors about career choices, choosing subject majors, and arranging a program for transfer to a four-year college. Counseling is free.

Free catalogues and class schedules for daytime and evening course are available at the Registrar's Office in the Administration Building. The mailing address is 911 Boling Highway, Wharton, Texas 77488. Phone (409) 532-4560.

Historical commission met July 21 at Everett camphouse

The Colorado County Historical Commission held its regular meeting at 7 p.m. July 21 at the Everett camphouse in Columbus. Hostesses were Mrs. Margaret Griffith and Mrs. Launa Brasher.

A covered dish dinner was served and the regular business meeting was held with Mrs. James Hopkins, president, presiding.

The members were pleased to learn that the microfilm copies of the Colorado County Citizen, 1876 through 1900, are now in the Nesbitt Library and are being used by many researchers.

Mrs. Hopkins introduced Mrs. Joyce Loessin who presented the program on some of her family lines: "The Malck-Beicas, The Naumann-Hoffmanns, The Loessin-Smith-Sauer-Langstons. She explained that the paper had been prepared by her son, Jon K. Loessin, for a genealogy (history) course at Sam Houston State University. The next meeting will be in Weimar.

Obituaries

Last rites for Victor Berger

Victor Berger, 67 of Weimar, died July 16 in Youens Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. July 19 at St. Rose Catholic Church in Schulenburg, where he was a member, with Rev. Eugene Jensen officiating. Burial was in the St. Rose Catholic Cemetery in Schulenburg.

Born March 12, 1916 in St. John, Texas, he was the son of the late Emil and Hermana Sokoll Berger. On October 28, 1940, he married Della Wenzke in Moulton. He lived in Schulenburg until February, 1982, when he and his wife moved to Weimar.

Survivors include his widow, Della, of Weimar; daughters, Mrs. Robert (Vivian) Ulrich of Weimar and Mrs. (Brenda) Besh of Eagle Lake; sons, Kenneth J. Berger of Katy and Arlen Berger of Schulenburg; three sisters, Mrs. Anton (Emma) Stavinocha of Sealy, Mrs. Joe (Julia) Stavinocha of Schulenburg and Mrs. Allons (Mathilda) Stang of Moulton; a brother, Oscar Berger, of New Orleans, Louisiana; and five grandchildren.

Palbearers were Terry Harris, Earl Stavinocha, Danny Stang, Dennis Wenske, Guy Volentine and Roy Anselmo. Acolytes were Chris Berger and Richard Kainer.

Arrangements were under the direction of Schweske-Baumgarten Funeral Home.

St. Joseph's All-Day Bazaar takes place August 7 in Boling

The 15th annual All-Day Bazaar sponsored by the St. Joseph's Catholic Church has been planned for Sunday, August 7 at the Boling Community Center. Serving of beef, chicken and sausage from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. The price of the meal is \$4 per plate.

A big auction will start at 1 p.m. Music will be featured throughout the day by Bobby Jones Orchestra. Besides the dinner and auction, there will be various games, enter-

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