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89 enroll in summer driver education program
The 1986 summer drivers education courses began in the Rice school district last Thursday, with instructors Reuben Wunderlich, left, and Bennie Machac, right. Some members of the class took a break for this picture with Harold Williams, Lake Motors salesman, next to Wunderlich, and Tom Reed, Lake Motors vice president, next to Machac. Students from left are Stephanie Williams, Suzanne Corman, Nora Sosa, Freddie Soto, Michael Grahmann and Verita Glover. Wunderlich's group will complete their course July 3 and Machac's group will complete their course July 11. Lake Motors provides the 1986 Chevrolet Caprice Classics for the drivers ed program.

Class of 81 schedules reunion July 5

The Rice High School Class of 1981 is having their five year reunion this Saturday, July 5 at Dider Hall in Eagle Lake.

Those interested in attending, please contact Sheila Parker at 234-3441.



Steers validated for major shows

Thursday was validation morning for area FFA and 4-H students who are preparing animals for showing during the next school year. Using the Rice High School FFA livestock pens behind their show barn (At right), instructor Finest Axel, left, and county extension agent for agriculture Leroy Hajdik, right, work with Bill Helmer, center, and the animal he will be showing. Students from other area schools, including Weimar, also brought their animals here that morning for validation. The validated animals can be shown in the 1988 State Fair of Texas show, and the 1987 Houston and San Antonio livestock competition. The process included weighing, nose printing, ear tagging, and photographing the steers. There is no limit on the number of steers a student could validate but only one steer per show can be entered. (Pictured Above) Wade Miller and his dad Bennie hold three animals they had on hand Thursday at the validation.

(Prepared with information from Rice FFA's Tara Shepley.)

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Laura Appelt receives \$1000 UIL scholarship

Laura Appelt, daughter of Bill and Lynda Appelt of Eagle Lake, recently learned that she earned a \$1000 UIL scholarship from the John Porter King Jr. Foundation for her participation in University Interscholastic League activities during her four years of high school.

Miss Appelt actively participated in UIL spelling for four years, earning her state competition in her sophomore and senior years. In addition to spelling, she participated in UIL typing and won third place at the state meet during her junior year. She was a 1986 honor graduate of Rice High School.

This fall Miss Appelt will be attending Texas A&M University, pursuing a degree in education, specifically kindergarten and Early Childhood.

Local photographer speaks
at international convention
Kathy Renick, of The Gallery in Columbus, will present a program titled "Fun, Easy and Profitable On-Location Wedding Poses" at the international convention of Professional Photographers of America Inc. Nearly 6,000 professional photographers from around the world are expected to attend the five-day event, July 12-16, at the Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, California.



Kathy Renick

Summer 4-H horse program winners

Winners in the summer 4-H horse program last Monday night were as follows:

Barrel Racing: beginners - Brent Schneider, first, Misty Smidovec, second, Kevin Hanterman, third, Ryan Waddie, fourth, Kenneth Jahn, fifth, Cody Crane, sixth; 8 and under - Ashley Crane, first, LeShon Dromgoole, second, Clint Krenk, third, Brooke Crane, fourth, Chad Fack, fifth, Emily Schneider, sixth; 9-12 - Dena Shea Dromgoole, first, Misty Crane, second, Katy McMurrough, fourth, Bo Shrader, fourth, Can Crane, fifth, Matt Sence, sixth; 13 and over - Paula Baumgarten, first, Bonny McMurrough, second, Sheri Marie Venhaus, third, Jennifer Hooper, fourth, Todd Krenk, fifth, Mack Wade Dromgoole, sixth.

Pole Bending: beginners - Jared Rutta, first, Ryan Waddie, second, Misty Smidovec, third, Kenneth Jahn, fourth, Peggy Benhauer, fifth, Hank Crane, sixth; 8 and under - Ashley Crane, first, Clint Krenk, second, LeShon Dromgoole, third.



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The past and present side by side

Automobiles from the past, left, co-exist with those from the present at Bud Northington's Quality Shop in Egypt.



In Egypt the Northington tradition continues

Walking into Bud Northington's auto body repair shop in Egypt, without knowing what to expect, is like walking into another world.

On one side of the 16,000 square foot building stands a collection of cars you thought you might never see, let alone see in person. On the other side are cars that their owners probably thought they would never see again in as good a shape as when they bought them.

And, throughout the building, there is cleanliness, something that just isn't found in such a business.

But, then again, Bud Northington isn't just another car repair man.

His work is testimony to that. What Northington has built at his family home place is a business called "Bud's Quality Shop." He didn't name it either. He said his customers suggested the name.

With that on a sign, you might not realize at first that it's a body repair shop, but word of mouth advertising has brought many customers to his door already.

Bud is a sixth generation Northington, and lives in the family "plantation" home established in Egypt when that area was a crossroads in a young state. Much of the land no longer is held by the family, but what remains is being used as a memorial to the past, and a continuation of hard work that took them into our present.

Building on his family's tradition of not discarding the past, Bud has taken his auto mechanic and body repair talents and become one of the top restorers of old cars. Using the word "restore" here is appropriate too. Unless he has too, he won't use some of the modern mechanical tools available.

Rebuilding the door of an old 1930 Model A Ford with spot welds to hold it together isn't restoration to Bud. He keeps the original crimps in the metal to hold the panels together.

That Ford, by the way, was a four-door, and is sitting in pieces on the floor of the shop. The

chassis with wheels and tires awaits restoration. The body has been disassembled, cleaned, and primed, ready for painting. But, the frame — made of wood — sits pretty much in a heap nearby. Bud said blueprints have been found for constructing another one, and he knows where to buy one, but he plans on going to the seller next month to see if it really is "original." That is the detail he pays attention to.

Around the corner, in an area of the building that eventually will become a museum, sits several vehicles seen by many only in old movies. One, seen by few in this country, is a 1943 Austin. It too has a wooden frame. Next to it is a 1947 MG TD. They belong to someone in England who has them here for restoration.

Further down the line are a couple of early Chevrolets also waiting work. An old Ford flatbed truck is almost finished, as are several other older cars.

Mixing old with new

While Bud likes to preserve

the past, his business caters to protecting an investment people have in their present vehicles.

His shop, with at least six employees, just obtained a modern machine built to straighten the frames on serious wrecks. It will stretch compressed frames, correct twists, and straighten the crushed parts. It is the only one on this

part of the coast, he said. It is especially useful on today's vehicles where the car body and frame are built as one unit (Unibody), and more effective than the old machines that straighten frame-structured cars. In this part of the shop, Bud has designed his own painting booth to allow quality paint work to be turned out, and has perfected the coating of cars with enamel paint, instead of acrylics normally used. They mix their own paint too, and much colors. While the building isn't totally finished inside, the work proceeds, standing as another Northington tradition of preserving the past and protecting the present.

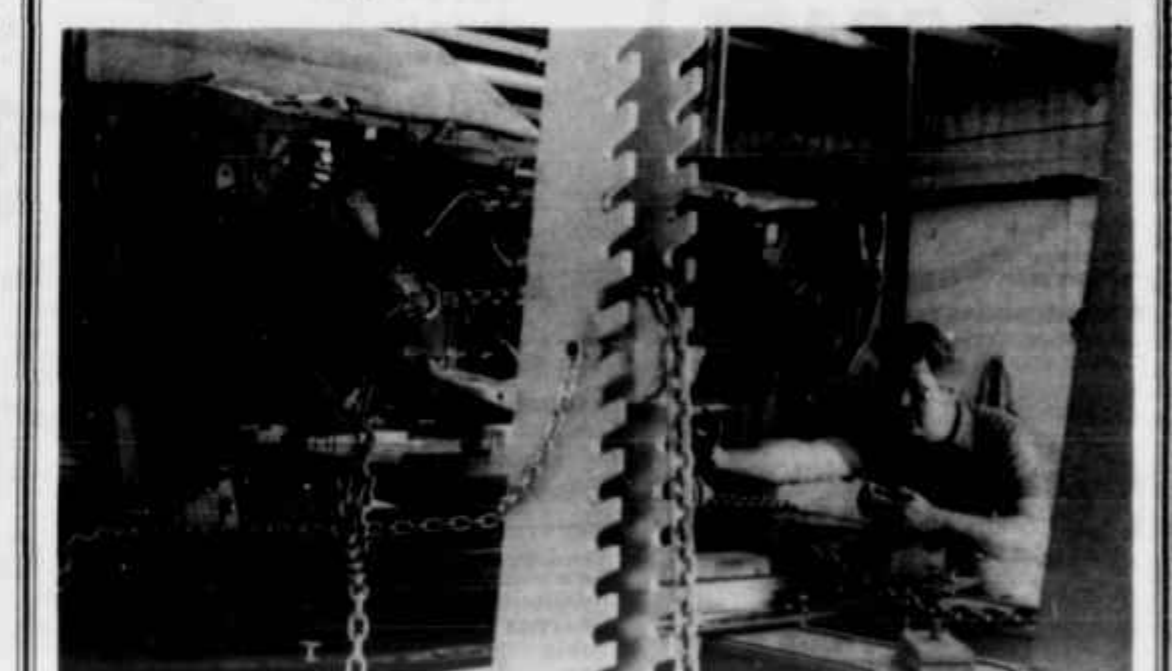
The wooden frame 1930 Model A Ford

On the floor at the rear of the Northington shop is this 1930 four-door Ford. At left is the body, primed and ready for further work. But below, the wooden frame is beyond repair and awaits replacement. Northington said the two-door model of that car did not have a wooden frame.



Bud Northington pays attention to detail. Billy Horelica, a welder from Wharton, works with Bud in replacing a rocker panel from a late model car.

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