

JUICY WHITE
THOMPSON OR RED FLAME

**California
Seedless Grapes**

58¢

1 LB.

U.S. NO. 1
PREMIUM

**Russet
Potatoes**

88¢

5 LB. BAG

TASTY TENDER

**California
Broccoli**

88¢

LARGE BUNCH

RIPE WASHINGTON

**Italian Prune
Plums**

69¢

1 LB.

JUICY SWEET

**Bartlett
Pears**

5 99¢

FOR

RED

Ripe Tomatoes

4 PACK .79

TART CRUNCHY

Granny Smith Apples

1 LB. .89

FRESH

Zucchini Squash

1 LB. .59

JUICY

California Grapefruit

2 / .99

TASTY

California Carrots

1 LB. PKG. .39

FRESH TENDER

Green Leafy Spinach

10 OZ. PKG. .99

ASSORTED FLAVORS

**Refreshing
Pepsi-Cola**

DIET PEPSI, MT. DEW,
PEPSI FREE & DIET
PEPSI FREE

6 PACK
12 OZ.
CANS

\$1.49

ASSORTED FLAVORS

**Refreshing
Pepsi-Cola**

DIET PEPSI, MT. DEW,
PEPSI FREE & DIET
PEPSI FREE

2 LITER
NRT. BTL.

\$1.09

REGULAR OR LIGHT

**Premium
Coors Beer**

12 PACK
12 OZ.
CANS

\$5.29



RHS, Garwood,
St. Mary's,
St. Anthony's:
This week's
BACK-TO-SCHOOL
SECTION

**RULES GET
TOUGHER ON
NO PASS - NO PLAY**

SEE STORY ON SPECIAL
SECTION COVER

**FOOTBALL
TEAMS TAKE TO
AREA FIELDS**

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Anti-gambling petition sent to legislature

Fourteen copies of a 13-page anti-gambling petition signed by southern Colorado Countians were hand delivered to Texas legislators in Austin Monday.

The drive to share local opinion with state senators and representatives began last week when Rev. E.B. Beasley Jr., pastor of the United Methodist Churches in Lissie and Wallis, called a special meeting of the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance. Rev. Beasley is president

of the alliance.

The meeting was not attended by all members but the seven who did attend took two actions. One was to sign a petition calling for the state to defeat legislation that would allow pari-mutual gambling as well as a state lottery. The other action was to ask Sunday church goers to sign the same petition.

The result was the 13-page petition Beasley personally delivered to Austin on Monday morning.

Clements responds to Waggoner's TECAT letter

Former Republican Gov. William P. Clements, who is seeking the post again this year, has responded to a copy of a letter former RHS board director William Waggoner sent to Gov. Mark White.

Waggoner asked White to exempt some teachers from the state teacher literacy tests, known as TECAT.

White has not responded.

Clements wrote to Waggoner and thanked him "for sending me a copy of the letter you sent to Mark White regarding the TECAT."

"I agree with you. Unfortunately, testing of teachers has become a complex issue. In my administration, I advocated subject tests for prospective teachers prior to being awarded a lifetime teaching certificate. In May, 1986, the first wave of new teachers graduated with these tests. As you know, the education reforms passed by Mark White called for basic literacy tests to be given to all teachers. These

tests are neither fair nor equitable for teachers who have proven themselves," Clements' letter said.

Waggoner did not take the mandatory TECAT test this year because he felt the testing required to obtain a doctoral degree was sufficient to prove anyone was literate. He resigned his teaching position at Rice High School last month after the board of education notified him it would be required by the state to take steps to dismiss him.

John Lucas to speak on drugs

Remember John Lucas? He was the point guard that helped lead the Houston Rockets toward their world championship attempt. Remember also that his use of drugs got him fired?

On Sunday, Sept. 7, Lucas will be in Eagle Lake to speak on the use of illegal drugs and what it can do for you.

The entire community is invited to attend, especially the youngsters, according to Wilma Tillman who is making arrangements. Lucas confirmed the engagement late Tuesday afternoon.

The event will be at the Greater Rising Star Baptist Church.

Only a week left to buy family Fair admissions & help queen candidates

If you haven't been asked yet you soon will be — area young ladies are selling family memberships in the Colorado County Fair Association.

Lest you be confused, a membership in the Colorado County Fair Association is an admission ticket to the fair held each September. In fact, when you buy your family membership you receive four buttons that are your family's admission tickets to the Colorado County Fairgrounds. The 1986 version of the fair is only two weeks away (Sept. 12-13-14).

Soiling the advanced member-

Budget approved for Rice Schools

A budget that is about one percent less than last year was approved Tuesday night in a special session of the Rice school district board of education.

The board did not adopt a tax rate. The state legislature is in special session in Austin working on budget matters and may take action that could affect state funds sent to the Rice district.

However, if the board adopted the 74-cent tax rate used last year, the district would have to use about \$200,000 of its reserve funds to balance the 1986-87 school year budget.

Excluding federal program costs, the operating expenses for the new school year are estimated at about \$4.2 million. That is \$38,000 less than last year.

With taxable property in the school district valued at about \$46 million less than last year, the 74-cent tax rate would be five and under.

Frey, other teachers honored

As teachers gathered Monday morning at Rice High School to hear their charge for the new school year, several teachers were awarded length-of-service pins.

Sidney Frey, who retired after last school year, was given a special plaque of recognition, as well as a standing ovation, for his work with area students.

Frey's plaque was given for his "loyalty and dedication for serving the students of this community."

1964 - 1986.

Pins were awarded for:

- 20 years: Guy Beane, Betty Krenke and Martha Polach.
- 15 years: Lynda Appelt, Jack Grammer, Diana Wunderlich and Gladys Lockett.
- 10 years: Eliza Munoz, Ray Sykowski and Clara Lohpries.
- 5 years: Barbara Artis, Eddie Mae Austin, Lois Davis, Hortencia Cordova, Blanche Fowler, Joyce Rohan and Charlene Lawson.

Bra'er cattle to show at CC Fair Sept. 13

American Braers again will be shown at the 6th annual Colorado County Fair livestock show in Columbus. While the fair runs Sept. 12 through Sept. 14, the Bra'er show is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 13.

Overall, more than 700 cattle were drawn to the fairgrounds in Columbus for last year's show, with the Braers and Sales comprising one of the largest breed categories outside of Brahman and Santa Gertrudis, according to Harrison Walker, who is the fair livestock superintendent for the second year in a row.

Walker said he expects to see more three-quarter blood Braers at this year's show than were entered last year.

"We had a good group of Braers and Sales last year, and I expect that number to be up this year. The Bra'er breeders have shown a great deal of interest in our show for the last three years and I expect all of them to return in 1986," Walker said.

Livestock judge Jim Nettles from Bay City will be the Bra'er and Sales judge this year at the county fair. Deadline for entering cattle was last Monday, August 25.

County jail still ok, court rules

Due to a federal court ruling, Colorado County will escape the building of a new \$2 million county jail. On August 4 the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled that individual Texas counties could be granted reasonable variances from the state's standards for prisons and jails. The ruling was announced Monday by county judge Lester Cranek at Monday's commissioners court meeting. The ruling upholds a previous district court judgment in the battle between Davis Bush and Robert Vittma, the executive director of the Texas Jail Standards Commission.

Plaintiff Bush is protesting the variances allowed and said they deprived him of his right. If the state could not grant variances, some counties, such as Colorado County, might have to build a new jail. Hallways in the jail in Columbus are two inches narrow than standards allowed, and without the variance allowed, Cranek estimates it would cost the county \$2 million for a new jail. The state association of counties joined in the legal fight, and the legal cost to Colorado County was \$500.

Cranek said the matter was under appeal and might make it to the supreme court.

In other action commissioners: "Listened to Cranek read a letter from Rep. Robert Saunders seeking input as to what state budget cuts would be least troublesome to the county."

"Heard Cranek say he got a letter from the state department of highways saying that companies were being told they need permits to carry overweight loads to the state. The county's present employee insurance contract will expire Sept. 30."

"The court voted to accept the resignation of landfill inspector Jerry A. Hayek, 64. He will be leaving after 12 years service to the county. Actually Hayek was fired when commissioner Bill Stiles voted withdrawal of financial support for the position when the landfill company increased dumping fees greatly. Hayek was allowed to continue for several months beyond that date so he would qualify for retirement."

"Agreed newly paved county road 97 (244) will be designated as Cathedral Lane."

"County road 341 will become Deer Allen Road in honor of the man who originally owned the land. His son, Mack Allen, donated the land five years earlier."

"Took no action toward hiring Sunday and Associates as insurance consultants. Cranek said the firm

could be useful because insurance bids often vary, it is difficult to determine who is offering the best deal. The county's present employee insurance contract will expire Sept. 30.

"Granted Harrison Walker of Eagle Lake, who serves as livestock chairman of the Colorado County Fair, the county's manpower assistance in installing livestock panels and posts on Tuesday Sept. 9 in time for the fair. The court also agreed to furnish the labor to take the items down on Monday Sept. 15."

"Accepted notification of utility construction by St. Bernard Electric Cooperative on a county right of way."

"Learned the Texas Highway and Public Transportation Department delayed in request for the repayment of a debt associated with the Piney Creek Project in precinct three, so no action was taken."

"Delayed a decision on a proposed easement offered by the Southern Pacific Railroad pending further study."

Go-Texan events Sunday Sept. 14

It time for Garwood and Nada area barbecue cooks, and horseshoe pitchers, to start warming up for the 1986 Colorado County Fair.

Henry Putter of Columbus, Go-Texan ambassador for Colorado County in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has announced the county Go-Texan committee again will sponsor three events in conjunction with the fair on Sept. 14.

Garwood and Nada residents are strong contenders each year in the barbecue cooking event as well as horse shoe pitching. Entry forms are available at Putter's Western Store in Columbus. Heimsch's Store in Frelsburg, county judge Lester Cranek's office at the courthouse in Columbus, and from contest chairman.

Steve Wicke, Butch Strunk and Judge Cranek will serve as co-chairmen of the barbecue cookoff. Entering teams must check in and set up between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 13, or 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. the following day. A team includes a chief cook and three assistants. Contestants must cook a minimum of 10 pounds of beef, chicken, rabbit, pork or lamb barbecue. Judging will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14. Trophies will be awarded to the Colorado County champion, the open champion, and to the Most Colorful Team.

In any Go-Texan event, the Go-Texan winners must be county residents and are eligible to participate in the same event at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo next Spring. Open division contestants may reside outside Colorado County.

Chairman for the horseshoe pitching contest is Leslie Heimsch of Frelsburg. Pitching will begin at 10 a.m. Sept. 14, at the Livestock Show area of the fairgrounds. There will be men's and ladies divisions and teams have two members, and a round-robin format will be used. A singles contest also will be held. Trophies will be awarded to the grand and reserve champion in each division.

The Go-Texan Hay Hauling contest, for which there has been little interest, also is scheduled Sunday, Sept. 14. Henry Beken is chairman.

The objective of the contest is to load 42 bales of hay on a conventional half-ton pickup truck, drive through an obstacle course, then unload and stack the hay. The three-member teams must furnish their own bales and each bale must weigh at least 45 pounds.

Postmaster to be named soon?

Speculation that a new postmaster would be named this week in Eagle Lake may be a bit too early, according to McKinney Boyd at the main post office in Houston.

Last week, several people here were under the impression that a postmaster would be named later this week. However, Boyd, a public relations man for the post office in the area, said no one in Houston was aware of such action.

He said when the decision was made the candidates for the job would be informed before a public announcement is made.

Angel Sanchez has been officer in charge of the Eagle Lake post office since late February when Robert S. Martin retired. When a new postmaster is named, Sanchez will return to his duties as postmaster in Beasley.

Boy hit by car on Main St.

An eight year-old boy was struck by a car Monday when he stepped into the street about noon with a bag of groceries he had just purchased at Miller's Grocery.

Police were called to the scene to assist but there will be no charges filed.

Injured was Jimmy Eugene Aubrey III, of 307 Dobbins St. He was hospitalized and on Tuesday the hospital said he was in better condition.

The driver of the car involved was Debra Teague, 25, of 1001 C. St. Eagle Lake. Police said she was driving east when she saw the boy. She said she couldn't stop because the boy was there all of a sudden. Her car, a 1979 four-door Chevrolet, received moderate damage.

Team roping at county fair

Area ropers should be interested in the Team Roping event that will be held at this year's Colorado County Fair.

Books will open at 5 p.m. each evening, and will remain open until the first round is complete.

For information call Jerome Wicke at 732-5963 or 732-3270.

Two burglaries investigated

Police are investigating two burglaries that happened overnight Monday.

Hand tools and a floor model drill press were taken from the open workshop of Marilyn and Jack Dannels on Prairie St. It was the second time thieves had stolen items from the Dannels. All together, police valued the items at about \$750.

The police report said a light colored pickup truck was seen in the area but it was not confirmed whether it was connected to the theft.

At the El Zarape on A. Street, several pieces of tin roofing were peeled back to gain entrance to the building. Coin boxes on an electronic game, and on pool tables, were opened. That also was the second burglary at that place recently. Last week someone gained

Essay contest

With Grandparents' Day fast approaching on Sept. 7, KULM radio in Columbus is sponsoring an essay contest on the subject. Winners can win a Saturday lunch out for themselves and their grandparents.

Just write in 60 words or less why you think your grandparents or grandparent is the grandest. Mail the essay to KULM, P.O. Box 111, Columbus 78934. It also can be delivered to the radio station.

Three winners will be named. Essays will be judged on originality and creativity. Deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Sept. 5.