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## Speaker Gib Lewis agrees to support Gov. White's tax plan

Like the Texans at the Alamo who held as long as they could, House Speaker Gib Lewis last week was overrun by the waves of pro-tax legislators led by Gov. Mark White. White had a good week, all the way around.

Lewis and his band of anti-tax House members had held out for a month and a half. They had hoped to force more budget cuts and forestall tax action until the regular session convenes.

But matched against a determined governor and a willing Senate, they crumbled under the odds. Even most skeptics now agree the beleaguered re-election campaign of Gov. Mark White just bottomed out and is on the rebound. The tax victory will at least silence complaints that White cannot exercise leadership in the Legislature.

Last week's Democratic victory in an East Texas special election, 58 to 42 percent, was touted as a clear message of support for White.

White was feisty enough last week to want President Reagan once more for failing to impose an imported oil fee and a slap at Bill Clements' charge he has no influence with the White House.

### Writing on wall

Only the day before his reversal, Speaker Lewis criticized senators for failing to make more budget cuts. Overnight, he must have read the writing on the wall.

Some pro-tax legislators were

prepared to sabotage efforts to lower the deficit, even as the state approaches the day when it will state hot checks. In the face of all that, and with time running out, Lewis decided the inevitable had better be done quickly.

Most Capitol watchers think it's just a matter of a few more days before the sales tax is raised another 1.18 cents, even though the anti-tax House faction is very much alive and well.

### Last hurdle

Now that Lewis has agreed to support White's tax plan, the last major hurdle the governor must leap in the Ways and Means Committee, where the tax bill has languished.

Last week, after Lewis' reversal, the committee began public hearings on tax proposals. Dominated by GOP and conservative Democrats, the panel is not likely at this time to

## State Capitol Highlights By Lyndell Williams

send a favorable tax report to the floor.

The anti-tax bunch also pushed the House to approve a ban on state income taxes, which pro-tax folks say will die in the Senate, and the 'I try to stonewall a sales tax like unless the Legislature settles the budget cuts issue.

But since the pro-tax forces have maneuvered around Speaker Lewis, they're thinking victory, not compromise.

Instead, lawmakers favoring a tax hike are hoping to get enough votes to wrangle at least an unfavorable report out of committee and to the



House floor. There, they'll try to leverage enough votes to pass the tax and send it to the already willing Senate.

Texas Supreme Court

Texas Chief Justice John Hill last week said Lewis and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby have joined his campaign to have Texas judges appointed by the governor instead of elected.

Last week, the State Bar declined to take a position and will poll Texas lawyers on which method they favor. State Bar president William Whitehurst said the issue is too divisive. The other Texas Supreme Court justices agree.

Hill's plan would have a 15-member commission submit three nominees to the governor, who would appoint his favorite. So far, Gov. White says he favors elected judges.

### Campaign jobs

Highlights from the campaign trail, where numerous charges and countercharges were slung: •State Senator-elect Richard Anderson was sworn in last week following his special election win over Edd Hargett. The GOP lost a

legal battle which claims Anderson violated the Constitution by not first resigning his county judgeship.

•The Mark White campaign committed another of those pesky mailing list mistakes by sending a letter to his opponent's wife, asking for \$10,000. Former Texas First Lady Rita Clements declined to send a contribution.

•White and Bill Clements have started up the television ad war early, and both are running negative image messages about the other. Clements had laid off for awhile, presumably not wanting to lose ground by attacking White while the Legislature grappled with the budget crisis.

But with polls showing him trailing Clements, White launched another media blitz, and Clements didn't waste much time getting back into the fray with his own commercials.

## Heritage House News

By Patricia A. Hornet

Sunday worship services were conducted by Rev. Charles Rank, pastor of United Methodist Church of Eagle Lake. Those attending the services complimented Rev. Rank on the sermon and the sing-along.

Our facility sends special thanks to Polly Sens for sending a fresh flower arrangement for our residents to enjoy. Your thoughtfulness will be remembered for everyone here loves floral arrangements.

George Reyes, of Wallis, visited our home last Thursday with a Bible class and sing-along. Everyone enjoys George's visits for he brightens their lives greatly with his friendly smile and unique talents of singing and playing the guitar.

Heritage House will be having their annual volunteer recognition and luncheon September 30 at 1:30

p.m. Volunteers for our home have been sent special invitations and we hope all volunteers will be able to attend. Awards will be presented to volunteers for their outstanding services, donations and time spent in our home. Without them, Heritage House would not be able to have the activities it now has and our residents dearly love the volunteer visits. Hats off to each volunteer!

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Willie Carter.

Heritage House residents will hold their monthly birthday party this Friday. Hostesses for this social will be the Martha Sunday School Class of Eagle Lake. Residents celebrating their birthdays are Augustine Ramirez, Alma Bailey, Roy Burns, Patsie West and Lilly Bankston. Wishing them all a happy, happy birthday!

## Sears moving Tuesday to Duncan's

The Sears Catalog store at 103 W. Main will be closed Saturday and Monday before re-opening Tuesday, Sept. 30, in a new location.

According to Debbie Vawter, the store is moving into the same building that houses Duncan & Son. She is the daughter of Joe and Martha Duncan who own the clothing business.

Debbie and Jack Vawter have owned the catalog store here for about 10

years, and said the only other change in the business is that they will not stock the floor display items.

The store will continue to tele-type orders daily and receive orders on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Also, they will continue to order repair parts on a cash basis. Repair service is available as always by calling Wharton at 532-8141.

For the moment, store hours will be unchanged, opening at 8:30 a.m.

Duncan and Son will not close during the Sears move. Mrs. Vawter said, Duncan's will continue to be a family clothing store, stocking men's clothing, boys clothing sizes 7 to 20, women's lingerie and sportswear in regular and half sizes, baby gift items, and some shoes and Red Wing boots.

Duncan & Son was founded 40 years ago by Rollin and Lois Duncan.



The Rice chapter of the Classroom Teachers Association met for a "start of school" social last Wednesday evening at Ethel Konvicka's Circle K. Rice CTA officers at the supper were Joe Wendel, Danell Varley, President Charlene Lawson, Annie

Ondrusek, Betty Janish, Cynthia Boenisch, Diana Brunner, Lynda Appelt and Carolyn Pavlu. Members thanked the merchants from throughout the Rice Consolidated school district who donated items that were given away as door prizes.

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## Colorado County Courthouse Report

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
Paulo Medina, 19, and Michelle Lynn Gutmann, 17.  
Ynez R. Ortega, 44, and Dominga M. Mervquia, 40.  
Michael Anthony White, 21, and Angela Denise Woods, 19.

**DIVORCES FILED**  
Reyes Castillo and Teresa Marie Castillo.

**REAL ESTATE DEEDS**  
Deed, Audrey Meier Garret, et al, to John Boyd Carey, et al, 10 acres, South 1/4, Farm Survey, 7-21-86.  
Deed, Terrence Sabatana to Clinon Martz, et al, 10 and 21, Garden Oaks Subdivision, W.B. Deacons Survey, 9-3-86.  
Deed, B.D. Anderson Jr., et al, to Bryan G. Frazier, et al, 2.199 acres, Patricia Roth Survey, 9-4-86.  
Deed, William H. Bullock Jr. to Ben Rios, et al, 0.491 acre, city of Eagle Lake, 9-3-86.  
Deed, Gladys Christal to Roosevelt Grace, undivided 1/2 interest in and to the north 1/2 of lot 11, Jas. Earl, BBB and CRR Co. Survey, 7-16-86.  
Deed, Lavine H. Kahus, et al, to Anton J. Schindler Sr., et al, lot 24 and 1/2 of lot 23, all of the north 25 feet of lot 11, all of block 10, town of Weimar, 7-23-86.  
Gift Deed, Ben Helmut Poppe, et al, to Dennis F. Poppe, et al, 8 tracts in J. Bowie League, et al, 8-29-86.

**OIL, GAS LEASES**  
Hugh R. Goodrich to Western Petroleum Reserves, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, block 25, P.K. Bartleson Survey, 5-2-86.  
Thomas E. Berry, trustee, to Western Petroleum Reserves, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, block 25, P.K. Bartleson Survey, 5-2-86.  
Priscilla Goodrich Rea to Western Petroleum Reserves, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, block 25, P.K. Bartleson Survey, 5-2-86.  
Thomas Dale Brownson to Shell Western E&P Inc., 183 acres, B.S.A.F. Survey, 8-2-86.  
Elise Risher Keneck to Shell Western E&P Inc., 92.66 acres, Conrad Gurgens Survey, 7-8-86.  
Clemens L. Prause, et al, to Amoco Production Company, 480.98 acres, E. Tumlinson Survey, 8-4-86.  
Raymond Frank Raa to Amoco Production Company, 13,394 acres, James Cummins League, 7-10-85.

**DEED, DONALD D. LOONEY ESQ. to William Marsh Rice University, undivided interest in 259.7 acres, Lockwood P. Survey, 5-28-81.**  
Deed, Thomas K. Gaylor, et al, to Texas Land Sales Inc., 223.676 acres, John Tooke Survey, et al, 8-29-86.  
Deed, Donald D. Eagle Sr., et al, to Charles Merit, et al, lot 124, Lake Sheridan Estates, 9-5-86.  
Deed, Michael Ray Mangum to Patricia Ann Mangum, 1.3 acres, 9-10-86.

## Courses being offered at WCJC

Community Education at Wharton County Junior College is offering free courses that begin within the next two weeks. They are Lotus 1-2-3, stained glass design, tracing your ancestors and handwriting analysis.

Lotus 1-2-3 is a powerful worksheet for the IBM and compatible microcomputers. It is used to create databases, formulas, graphs and forms. Learn how to use this software to benefit your home or office.

Each student is assigned to a computer and the majority of the class will be hands-on instruction. This class will meet October 3, 4, 10 and 11. The Friday meetings will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and the Saturday meetings from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Deadline to register for this course is September 29 and the cost will be \$25.00 plus book and disc.

The stained glass course will enable students to make a panel of simple design in copper foil technique. Instruction will include making a pattern, glass cutting, copper foiling, soldering and cleaning of panel. Usually each student will be able to complete a panel in class.

This class meets Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 beginning September 30 and ending November 18.

Tuition for this course is \$28.80 plus supplies.

## East Bernard school menu

Monday, September 29: breakfast, donut or cereal, fruit, milk; lunch, sausage on stick with pickles, french fries, baked beans, hot roll, milk.

Tuesday, September 30: breakfast, pancakes with syrup or cereal, juice, milk; lunch, burrito with chili and cheese, corn, salad, fruit, cinnamon roll, milk.

Wednesday, October 1: breakfast, scrambled eggs, breakfast sausage, biscuit, jelly, or cereal, juice, milk; lunch, chopped roast beef, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, fruit, homemade bread, milk.

Thursday, October 2: breakfast, cinnamon roll or cereal, fruit, milk; lunch, cheeseburger (cheese optional), French fries, pinto beans, lettuce, tomato, pickles, onion, milk.

Friday, October 3: breakfast, sausage patty on biscuit, jelly or cereal, juice, milk; lunch, pizza, vegetable sticks or peas, salad, fruit, cookie, milk.

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## Researching your family tree can lead to many tales of adventure.

This beginning course will cover organization of material, use of libraries and other sources necessary to complete your records.

This class will meet on Monday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginning September 29 and ending November 17. Tuition is \$14.40.

Many people believe our handwriting reflects our personality. Learn what yours reveals about you and learn how to analyze others. This seminar will meet October 2 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuition is \$3.60 per person.

Loans are available on program crops produced on farms participating in the 1986 Acreage Reduction Programs. The interest rate for loans disbursed in September is 6.125% subject to change January 1, 1987.

The 1986 rice loan rates are as follows: (1) farm stored-long grain, \$7.52 cwt.; (2) warehouse stored-long grain, whole kernel value, \$12.44 cwt., broken kernel value, \$4.98 cwt.

Farms participating in the 1986 rice program are eligible for loan. All 1986 crop loans will be reduced by 4.3% as required by the Gramm-Rudman Act. The 1986 crop rice loan has been changed considerably. Producers may obtain loans and are permitted to repay 1986-crop rice loans at the lesser of the following: (a) the late rate (gross), or (b) the higher of the following: (1) 5% of the gross loan rate or (2) the prevailing world market price for rice as determined by the Secretary.

1986 loans will mature at the end of the ninth month following the month in which the loan was disbursed by the county office. There will be no more April 30th maturity dates as in the past, unless the loan was disbursed in July. Rice producers should be very careful before marketing the 1986 rice crop. Selling the crop or losing title to the

rice may make you ineligible for program benefits.

Secretary Lyng has authorized an additional 10% advance payment for those producers requiring advance payments. This additional will be issued in "General" PIR certificates as soon as this office can process the certificates.

Cross Compliance only applies between different crops on the same farm. What you do on one farm does not affect the other farms. Limited cross compliance means that you are eligible for any program benefits for a participating crop on a specific farm, any other program crop planted may not exceed the applicable crop base or it throws the whole farm out of the program. Your 1987 yield will be the same as your 1986 yield. Any crop whose 1987 yield is reduced from the 1985 yield by more than 5% will be eligible for an additional payment. Crop acreage bases will be computed the same as in 1986 except the base period will be 1982 through 1986. The 50-92 program will be in effect. However, only conserving use crops will be allowed. Basically, this means that no crop will be allowed to be harvested off the CU acres for payment.

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## Two-man scramble golf tourney held

This past Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21, the annual two-man scramble 36-hole golf tournament was held at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center. Winners of each nine are as follows:

First nine: Jim Scherding of Freeport and David Gonzalez of Richmond, scoring a 123, won first place; Jim Mehan of San Antonio and Jerry White of Spring, 126, second; James Simpson and David Simpson, both of Boiling, 126, third; Cecil Murray and John Boyle, both of Austin, 127, fourth.

Second nine: Ben Anderson of Eagle Lake and Bobby Carroll of Madisonville, 131, first place; Larry Delany and Jeff Frink, both of Eagle Lake, 132, second; Kirk Wilkoxen of Spring and Howard Wilkoxen of Friendswood, 132, third; C.R. Currier of Blessing and Robert Wilson of Palacios, 134, fourth.

Third nine: Jim Guller and Jack Kelly, both of Spring, 133, first place; Mike Barfield and Sonny Barfield, both of Sweeny, 134, second; Dickie Williams and Ray Pierce, both of Sweeny, 135, third; Robert Ben and Bruce Butt, both of Sweeny, 135, fourth.

Prizes were awarded in each of the three nines as follows: first place team, \$700 cash; second place team, \$400 cash; third place team, \$250 cash; and fourth place team, \$150 cash.

Winners of the closest-to-hole contest, awarded \$50 each, were: Saturday morning, 7:30, Jim Mathis of Eagle Lake; Saturday afternoon, 9:10, Bruce Butt of Sweeny; Sunday morning, 6:30, Joe Higginbotham of Bellville, and Sunday afternoon, 8:11, Jack Harrell of Eagle Lake.

Tournament director Jeff Frink wants to thank Thurston and Sharon Webb, Wayne and Jonna Bowen, Bruce Cain, Gus Seaborn, Bob McIner, Joe Tzatz and Larry Delany for all their help in making this tournament a success.

## Texas Excellence awards for high school seniors

Top Texas high school seniors are eligible for \$16,000, four-year Texas Excellence awards for scholarship and leadership, sponsored by The Ex-Students' Association of The University of Texas at Austin.

In addition to the top awards, \$8,000, four-year awards of distinction and \$1,000, one-year awards of recognition will be awarded.

Applicants must be in the top five percent of their class and demonstrate leadership ability in the classroom and/or extracurricular activities. Applications for the Texas Excellence awards will be available from high school counselors by mid-September with a Nov. 1 application deadline.

More than 1,400 high school seniors made applications last year.

## Barrios reports for duty in Okinawa

Marine Cpl. Robert Barrios, son of Alvaro and Julia Barrios of Eagle Lake, recently reported for duty with 3rd Marine Division, in Okinawa.

A 1981 graduate of Rice High School, Altair, he joined the Marine Corps in November 1983.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

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## New 'phone equipment to be in service Oct. 1

A new telephone dial tone will greet Eagle Lake, Sheridan, Rock Island and Altair telephone customers next Wednesday, Oct. 1.

That's the day that new Southwestern Bell switching equipment will be put into operation in the Eagle Lake office.

The equipment means that telephone customers that want push button "Touch Tone" service may now order it.

It affects all customers whose telephone numbers begin with the 234 prefix. Garwood and Nada customers in the 758 exchange already have the new dialing equipment.

"Because of the new equipment being installed, the dial tone will sound completely different," according to Paul Johnson, Southwestern Bell Telephone's local community relations manager.

He said that when customers use the telephone for the first time after

the new dial tone is switched on, many have a tendency to call the telephone company's repair service. "There is no need to do that," he said Tuesday when he was in Eagle Lake to make the announcement about the new equipment. He added that the effort the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce made last year seeking to influence the company's decision to upgrade the equipment here, did have some influence.

Except for the new tone sound, there will be no effect on current rotary dial telephone customers.

However, to take advantage of push-button, touch-tone dialing, a customer needs to order the service from Southwestern Bell, as well as purchase or lease a touch-tone telephone. Johnson said the monthly charge for touch tone service is "small." Residential customers may call toll free 1-887-4100 to order the service, and business customers may call 1-887-5199, also toll free.

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