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House members vote for budget cuts and tax hike

The two special tax sessions blew a cockeyed note into the traditional Texas election rhythm, but after the curtain rang down on the Legislature last week, political campaigns finally kicked-started their long-delayed endgame strategies.

For some, the strategies may not work. The confusion and misinformation that came out of these special sessions may have tried the patience of voters a little more than tolerable.

League News

In Moonlighters league action on October 2, Youngsters remained in first place with 17 wins followed by Applet Ins. with 14 for second, Hot Shot in third with 12 1/2 and Incredible 4 in fourth with 11 wins.

Darrell Gertson bowled a 221-503 for high game and Bernie Miller posted a 204-559 for high series. Other high rollers were Bob Cook 212-526, Sam Pirtle 206-540, Wayne Lippert 203-523, John Garza 524, Joe Lee Foster 512, Thurston Webb 510, Steve Almanza 503, Ronnie Kuciemia 503.

Lawmakers who dealt straight with their constituents will hope fully be re-elected. And certainly, some who indulged in fun and games in a budget crisis situation will be re-elected, as always. Maybe some won't this time.

What it boils down to is who do the voters believe? Mark White, who pushed a "temporary" tax hike? Bill Clements, who says no tax hike was needed? Treasurer Ann Richards, who warned the state would write hot checks in December? Comptroller Bob Bullock, who said the budget would hold until the regular session.

House forces end
A weary and somewhat bloodied Texas House voted for \$582 million in budget cuts and Gov. Mark White's \$872 million tax hike package, and then almost immediately adjourned before the Senate could reject or amend or pressure.

Tired of struggling with the Senate, the more conservative House dropped its resistance to White's package, but forced pro-tax senators and the governor to take what was passed or go ahead and call a third session.

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White staged to benefit his reelection. Without doubt, hard feelings still linger between House and Senate colleagues. Considerable ill will was built as the compromise was hammered. The questions of whether the sessions were productive or necessary, will be campaign issues from now until November.

Other highlights
*Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro brought a model of the space shuttle with him when he announced a beryllium mining agreement for state land. Mauro said the mineral, used in the aerospace and electronics industries, could be the center of a new mining industry in Texas.

*A House state district judge upheld the controversial no-pass-no-play rule as constitutional but advised legislators to correct its disproportionate impact in minority and learning disabled students.

*Car dealers are challenging the Texas blue law which allows Sunday sales of all merchandise except motor vehicles.

*Former President Gerald Ford campaigned in Texas last week for Bill Clements, praising Clements' record as former deputy secretary of defense in the Ford Administration.

*After two House members complained their votes were changed without their knowledge, several House members and one senator were asked to submit writing samples to investigators from the Travis County DA's office.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Offer by hospital important

October 2, 1986
To the Editor:

As of September 1, 1986, the county is required to take on the cost of indigent care. Last year, expenses at John Sealy for indigent Colorado County citizens were estimated to be in excess of \$650,000. John Sealy would continue to care for our patients at a contract that would not exceed approximately \$200,000 and if fewer patients were seen, less would be spent.

Without contracting for these services, the county would no longer be assured of having referral source for patients in need of services unavailable in the county.

Even in these times of tight budgets and economic woes, it would seem that prudent judgement and a tight economy have changed this however and the local hospitals and state institutions are unwilling or in many instances unable to bear this burden alone any longer.

The University of Texas Medical Branch (John Sealy Hospital) has offered to provide medical services to the indigent at a markedly discounted rate. This would be for services which cannot be provided by local facilities and physicians. The offer includes people up to 100 percent of poverty. The offer includes a ceiling in costs so that the total would not exceed the 10 percent of budget that

the county is required to take on.

Sincerely,
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Colorado County
Courthouse Report

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Wenceslao deLeon, 30, and Olga Garcia, 34
Juan Briones Valdez, 26, and Sandra Reyes, 18

REAL ESTATE DEEDS

Deed, Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan Association to Community Glass Co., 4 acres, James Cummins League, 9-22-86.

Deed, Ronald M. Jason, et al, to Kenneth Austin, et al, 10.79 acres, J.M. Steiner Survey, 9-24-86.

Deed, Wesley Sutherland to George J. Miller, et al, 2.27 acres, Richard Dowdy Survey, 9-4-86.

Deed, Ernest C. Youens to Colorado Oil Company Inc., 2.25 acres, James Cummins League, 9-23-86.

Deed, Terence Sabatara to Philip D. Moley, tract of land, James Cummins Survey, 9-24-86.

Deed, Henry J. Hajovsky, et al, to Laid Teller, lot 10, Hajovsky Survey, 9-25-86.

Deed, Howard I. Pfenninger, et al, to Georgia C. Huchovoy, et al, tract of land, Wm. T. Dunlap Survey, 1-1-86.

Deed, John Cyril Kallala, et al, to John H. Middlebrooks, lot 4, block 0, Smith & Jones Addition, city of Columbus, 9-19-86.

Deed, James R. Johnston to Meta Johnston, interest in 677.1 acres, I&GNRR Co. Survey, interest in 649.5 acres, I&GNRR Co. Survey, interest in 639.0 acres, Naham Mission Survey, 9-25-86.

Deed, Rehnat Ali Purbhai, et al, to Mark Kristen, lot 3, block 4, McCormick Addition No. 3, city of Columbus, 9-22-86.

James Douglas Kallala to Shell Western E&P Inc., 80 acres, BS&F Survey, 8-2-86.

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Augusta K. Richter to Shell Western E&P Inc., 80 acres, BS&F Survey, 8-2-86.

J. Robert Bell, et al, to Amoco Production Company, 140 acres, J. Cummins Survey, 9-4-86.

David Earl Mahalik to Amoco Production Company, 140 acres, J. Cummins Survey, 9-4-86.

John Mahalik, et al, to Amoco Production Company, 140 acres, J. Cummins Survey, 9-4-86.

Arthur Emil Mahalik to Amoco Production Company, 140 acres, J. Cummins Survey, 9-4-86.

Donald R. Mahalik to Amoco Production Company, 140 acres, J. Cummins Survey, 9-4-86.

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Word processing is being offered at Wharton County Junior College through the continuing education division.

The course will prepare typists in updated skills of word processing. Everyone in the clerical area should be familiar with word processing to keep up with technology.

No prior knowledge of computers is required for this course. Students will use the WordStar software on Apple IIe microcomputers.

The class will meet two weekends, October 17, 18, 24 and 25. Friday meetings are 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday meetings are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuition for the course is \$25.60, plus supplies purchased the first meeting.

Pre-registration is required. Contact Joy Wind at 532-4560 for more information.

Hay show, ag tour this Friday

By Leroy Hajdik, County Extension Agent

The twenty-second Colorado County Hay Show will be held during the annual Ag Tour this Friday, October 10 at the Nada Community Hall. The ag tour will leave from the hall at 2 p.m. for points in the Garwood/Nada area.

The tour will focus on water management with emphasis on determination of pump efficiency, well output, and canal flow water measurement.

Personnel with the Soil and Water Conservation Service will demonstrate the technique of measuring a well's water output, well draw down rate, and determination of water loss in an irrigation lateral.

Hay samples entered in the hay show will be on display for public viewing at the Nada hall. Results of the judging will be released. A presentation on quality forage production will be given by Dr. David Badle, extension service forage specialist.

The election for zone supervisors to the board of the Colorado County Soil and Water Conservation District will be held following the hay show. All resident landowners of Colorado County are eligible to vote in the election.

Following the election will be a complimentary meal. The hay show testing fees, meal and refreshments are being borne by the Colorado County Soil and Water Conservation District and agri-businesses of Colorado County.

The ag tour program is a joint venture of the Colorado County Soil and Water Conservation District, USDA Soil and Water Conservation Service and the Colorado County Extension Service.

Education programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

I certify that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

By _____, Secretary

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Woods celebrates 100th birthday

About 30 family, friends and neighbors recently gathered at the Providence Fellowship Hall to help Mrs. Mahalia Woods, aunt of Mrs. Hazel Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stevenson, celebrate her 100th birthday. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Runge Barkins of Houston, cousins of the honoree.

A prayer was recited by Rev. Coby Shorter and Sister Leanna Ashton led the song. A barbecue chicken and sausage lunch with all the trimmings was served by the honoree's nieces and Mr. and Mrs. Barkins.

Mrs. Woods, born and raised in the Eagle Lake area, is still a spry woman. The only thing that really bothers her is she can't see very well. She expressed her feelings as saying she didn't have any children of her own, but helped to raise quite a few kids in her neighborhood.

Hazel, Betty and Clarence thank everyone who made their aunt's day a special one by just being there.

Next meeting in Eagle Lake

Historical commission met

The Colorado County Historical Commission met Thursday, September 18 in the St. Roch's Parish Hall at Mentz.

Hosting the meeting were Melvin and Doris Albright, Theo and Mildred Schultz and Larry Uhlig. Members thank the hosts and St. Roch's Church for the excellent facilities and services.

The invocation was given by the new pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church of Columbus. After a delicious covered dish meal, chairman Edward Woolery-Price presided at a short business meeting.

Henry Potter announced the next meeting will be at Prairie Edge Museum in Eagle Lake on November 20.

Larry Uhlig introduced Orllis Trebybig as the speaker. Mrs. Trebybig of El Campo, formerly of Bernardo, spoke on the history of Mentz and St. Roch's Church, both of which she has thoroughly researched here and in Germany.

Frank Davidson, publicity chairman

WCJC offering
computer class
for beginners

Wharton County Junior College will offer a beginners computer class two Friday afternoons in October. The class is scheduled for October 17 and 24 from 1 to 6 p.m.

This course will introduce the student to microcomputers and a variety of software.

Everyone high school age or over is welcome to attend. Tuition is \$12 per student. Pre-registration is required. Contact Joy Wind at 532-4560 for registration information.

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