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'Lame duck' Lewis has a new school redistricting plan

House Speaker Gil Lewis last week proposed massive, forced consolidation of school districts to satisfy a court order to equalize education funding.

The lame-duck speaker's proposed legislation would reduce the number of independent school districts from 1,066 to 188. The new megadistricts would use the boundary lines of the year old county education districts.

"Consolidation is the ultimate, permanent solution to the issues of equality and school finance," said Lewis, endorsing the idea that is viewed by many as politically risky as a state income tax.

Gov. Ann Richards is expected to call a special session in mid-May to overhaul the present system of school funding which was ruled unconstitutional by the Texas Supreme Court.

Balance Rich and Poor

Lewis said consolidation would not require a constitutional amendment, but would balance funding among rich and poor districts, and save an estimated \$422 million next year by trimming bureaucrats.

Lewis said his plan would probably be close to rural schools. But he said it would provide every child in Texas with equal access to education funds.

The last forced consolidation of school districts occurred in 1949, when the Gilmer-Akin education reform law eliminated 2,000 school districts, leaving 2,800.

Opponents of the idea fear it will diminish local control of school districts. In metropolitan counties, it would lump 300,000 to 500,000 students into one district.

"I don't like it myself," said Lewis, "but at the same time we have to realize that we must move on. Nothing else would be as fair."

U.S. Gov. Bob Bullock reserved judgment on Lewis' plan, explaining that he is working on one of his own. But Bullock said Lewis' plan is "a real solution to the school finance problem and it will solve the problem. People in Texas are in no mood for taxes. It doesn't raise taxes."

Buchanan Warned

Days after the eye of the primaries passed through Texas, both parties tried to bring the inner-healing process.

National GOP chairman Richard Bond, touring the Astrodome where Republicans will hold their national convention, warned challenger Pat Buchanan to quit bashing President Bush or risk being shunned.

"It's time for the healing to begin and the fighting to stop," Bond advised. "Turn out the lights, the party's over."

Bond also said David Duke wasn't welcome at the convention. "He's a racist and a bigot, and we don't want him."

Buchanan wasn't warming; he told the press he would not endorse

President Bush if Bond stayed as party chairman.

Clinton Likes Benton

Meanwhile, Land Commissioner Larry Mauro said Democrat frontrunner Bill Clinton would endorse U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, if Clinton's own campaign stalled.

Mauro, who is Clinton's campaign manager in Texas, told party leaders at the Texas AFL-CIO headquarters that Clinton has twice given Benton that same message.

Should another scandal knock Clinton out of the race, which Mauro said was not going to happen, it is a real possibility that Clinton would ask his delegates to endorse Benton.

Castration Request Halted

A Houston sex offender who asked to be castrated in lieu of a life prison sentence has changed his mind.

Other Highlights

The Third Court of Appeals upheld a lower court ruling that the state's sodomy law, which outlaws gay and lesbian sex, is unconstitutional because it violates the Texas right to privacy. Attorney General Dan Morales said he would probably appeal the decision to the Texas Supreme Court, but Gov. Richards applauded the ruling, saying the law "hasn't any business being in the statute books."

Texas could lose up to \$105 million in federal highway funds if it doesn't remove 9,000 billboards which do not comply with the Highway Beautification Act. Owners of illegal signs are supposed to remove them by June 18.

Comptroller John Sharp said the new lottery operator, GTECH Corp. of Rhode Island, will hire 500 employees for 11 regional offices to conduct the state lottery starting July 1.

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Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEAR AGO

June 1, 1967

The 25th Judicial District Court specially appointed Judge Truman Roberts of Hamilton ruled in a quick turn of events Wednesday, that the school annexation order of the County School Board, Jan. 2, 1967, was valid. Rock Island was annexed into Eagle Lake School District.

Miss Diana Baker, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Baker, and Clark Powers, son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Powers, were named most outstanding members of their class by the Eagle Lake Lions Club. Lions President Billy Maness presented them with awards.

At Eagle Lake High School's annual awards program, principal Victor Scott presented awards to Clark Powers, student council president, Helen Davidson, annual editor, Elizabeth Seaholm, annual

business manager, Johnny Matthis and Diane Baker, freshmen sportsman, Josh Ashton and Sue Rott, outstanding athletes of the year.

Mrs. Mary Caroline Magee, aged 99, beloved citizen and one of the oldest residents of the city, passed away Thursday, May 25, 1967.

Mrs. Rose Lange, devoted teacher for 27 years, many of them in Eagle Lake, received gifts from faculty at her retirement. Major Benge presented her an award at the elementary awards program, Monday.

Fred MacMurray stars in "Follow Me Boys" at the Rice Theatre through May 27.

Grandpa Fred G. Frnka has three grandchildren listed among the graduating seniors in May. Don Frnka is salutatorian, Miss Frances Jo Frnka is valedictorian at Bridgeport High School and Miss Jeannie Matthis is outstanding student in Bay City.

Terrill Mullins, son of Mr. & Mrs. Claude B. Mullins, graduates from Texas A&M.

Mary Axell and Leonard Scott of Altair were honored with a graduation party by their parents, the Jack Axells and the William Scotts.

Miss Bobby Jean Shindler, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lester Shindler of Bernardo, became the bride of Michael W. Carrico, son of Mr. & Mrs. H. Carrico of Houston on Saturday, May 27.

Mrs. Glen Sunderman underwent surgery in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Thursday. Friends will be glad to know she is doing better.

Louis Grigar, Eagle Lake agent for Farmers Insurance Group, was awarded for 10 years with the organization.

Miss Sallie Fletcher Jones attended a luncheon for Colonial Dames of America Chapter VIII at the River Oaks Country Club in Houston.

The marriage of Miss Nancy Wied and Richard Jones was solemnized Friday, May 26 in the evening.

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Eagle Lake Community Hospital Patient List

For week ending 3-23-92

ADMISSIONS

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DISMISSALS

Eagle Lake: Mary York, Martin Roberts, Frances Bartek, Laciaria Robinson, Gabriel Gutierrez, Tyra Feik, Roxanne Salas & Baby Girl, Oscar Brooks, Maria Martinez; Walls: Drake Rios; Garwood: Kirbyna Robinson; El Campo: Margaret Vasquez & Baby Boy, Robert York, Laura Jaramila & Baby Girl; Sheridan: Harriet Taylor, Webb Cunningham; San Antonio: Sophia Duque & Baby Boy; Sealy: Janie Rivera; Bay City: June Huggins; Wharton: Linda Garza & Baby Boy; Kathleen White; Altair: Carmen Laureiro; Hallesville: Geneva Ward; Fayetteville: Rublee Drymalla; Columbus: Vivian Coleman, Kamala Werland & Baby Girl; East Bernard: Samuel Lane.

Friday, July 9, 1943

The scores of friends of Miss Dell Buchanan will be interested in the announcement that Miss Buchanan has enlisted in the WAVES. Miss Buchanan leaves July 15, for Hunter College, New York, where she will be assigned. She goes in with the rank of Apprentice Seaman.

Sgt. Lonnie Briscoe, who spent a ten day furlough with relatives and friends, has returned to Camp Breckenridge, Ky.... In a government release received by the Headlight this week from the headquarters of the 721st Railroad Operating Battalion, the promotion of Robert L. Goode, son of Mr. & Mrs. Lee Goode, is announced. On July 1, Robert was raised to the rank of Pfc....

Friends will be interested in the advanced rating coming to Bruce W. McCarty, who is now Corporal... Cpl. Clifton Tyler writes that he is now back on duty at Fort Hamilton, New York....

Pvt. Paul Balas arrived on a furlough from California the first of the week.... Friends will be interested in learning that Lee E. Petrosky is now located at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls.... The First Baptist Church of Victoria was the scene of a very quiet service Saturday, July 3, that united in holy matrimony Miss Ethel Barker and Warrant Officer L.C. Burdette.... Cpl. Donald Kolberg writes from somewhere over there that he has been moved by the sea and is enjoying the beach.

'Older Worker Week'

Colorado County Judge H.O. "Butch" Strunk signed a proclamation observing March 8-14 as "Older Worker Week" in Texas. Locally, the Texas Department on Aging Senior Texans Employment Program (STEP) in Columbus aids older Texans in finding jobs. From left are Commissioners Sonny Spaniel and Jerome Wicks, Fred Pelts of STEP, Strunk, and Commissioners Otto Loessin and Johnny Elstner.

Banner Photo by Rhonda Lattimore

Career Day brings college reps to Eagle Lake

The first Black History Career Day was held here Feb. 29, sponsored by area members of Gulf Coast Chapter of Huston-Tillotson College, Alumni Association. The event for juniors and seniors in Rice, East Bernard and Columbus high schools had a great response both from students and from area institutions of higher education.

Students registered for the day at E.H. Henry Historical Building with parents and other participants, then enjoyed a motivational and informative speech by Dr. Betty Davis Lewis. Dr. Lewis is the owner of Diversified Health Career Systems in Houston. She challenged the students to take every opportunity available to prepare themselves to become productive citizens after high school.

Representatives of business, medicine, education, banking, law enforcement and social services held a panel discussion. They gave information to help students be aware of what is necessary to prepare for the various fields. On the panel were Dr. Raymond Thomas, medical director of Eagle Lake Community Hospital and Thomas Clinic; Mrs. Renee Cooper-Scott, clinical director of the Geriatric Assessment and Resource Center of ELCH; William Harrison Jr., president of First National Bank; Debra Cummings, special education instructor at Eagle Lake Middle School; Robert Connor, police chief in Columbus; and Patrolman Clemon Johnson of Columbus.

College and university representatives gave closing remarks to the students. Presenting these remarks were Dr. Margaret Sherrod, attorney and

Participating in the recent Black History Career Day were Beryl Shorter-Grady, Christina Moody, Claudine Shorter, Dr. Alfred Parks, Dr. Betty Davis Lewis, Dr. Margaret Sherrod and Mrs. Nerva Henry.

WCJC instructor; Dr. Alfred Parks, head of the agriculture department at Prairie View A&M University; Diane Glover, a senior at the University of Texas at Austin; and Bert McClain with ITT in Houston.

The various institutions had displays and representatives available to talk with the students about their colleges and requirements. Sandra D. Flowers and Lloyd Jackson Jr., college sophomores represented Blinn College in Brenham; Dwight Rhodes is research specialist in farm management at Prairie View A&M; Lt. Col. Raphael Harrison, retired U.S. Air Force assisted Mr. McClain and Attorney Sherrod; ITT and Wharton County Junior College had displays; and Helen Glover, counselor in the Austin ISD assisted Dianne Glover from UT.

Others who assisted in the success of the first Black History Career Day were First National Bank, Miller's Grocery, Wilcox Minimax, Dan's Minute Stop, El Campo Bottling Co. and Grady Management and Child and Adolescent Development Corp. of Houston.

Melody Grigar casts vote against...

Board votes 5-1 not to renew Sanders' contract

By Lynda Appelt
Contributing Writer

Editor's Note: Our apologies for leaving everyone hanging, but once in a while mistakes do happen. Instead of making you remember the first part of this story, we are running it in its entirety this week. I promise!

The Rice Consolidated Independent School District board of trustees agreed not to renew the contract of a teacher-coach, awarded one-year term contracts to 118 educators, accepted the resignation of two teachers and an administrator and named a substitute teacher following an approximate three-hour executive session during its regular monthly meeting Monday night.

In a 5-1 vote, the board elected not to renew the contract of Jack Sanders, a teacher-coach at Eagle Lake Middle School. With Trustee Reggie Briscoe not in attendance, Melody Grigar cast the lone vote against Sanders' non-renewal.

The board also accepted the resignation of Assistant Superintendent Paul Harris, who is in charge of finance and business services, and teacher-coach Garryn Boyd, high school volleyball coach, and the retirement request of Rice High School Librarian Lillian Gohlie.

In other personnel matters, the board voted to award one-year term contracts to 35 educators at Rice High School, 31 at Eagle Lake Middle School, 21 at Eagle Lake Primary School, 14 at Sheridan School, 13 at Garwood School and four in the district's special education cooperative.

Trustees also approved the addition of Rhonda Anderson as a substitute teacher in the district.

The board approved the election sites and officials for the May 2 election.

Explaining the program to students attending the Black History Career Day held recently is coordinator Beryl Shorter-Grady.

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Women's Health and Use of Medicine

Various studies indicate that women seek the care and advice of physicians and pharmacists more frequently than do men. And women purchase more medicines than do men. Some health experts believe this is a result of women showing more interest in health matters. One study in the journal *Medical Care* indicated that much of the medication-taking differences of men and women could be explained by women's health issues and the child bearing role of women. Women are interested in issues that are unique to being female, including:

Pregnancy and Lactation: Pregnant and breast-feeding women may experience conditions that could benefit from use of medicines. And there are a number of medicines that pregnant or lactating women should avoid.

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COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS

Deed: Gladys Mae Lynch to Gary S. Lynch and Betty M. Heimark, undivided, 1/3 in oil, gas and other minerals in tract containing 21.16 acres, being outlot #18, Rock Island, filed 2-25-92.

Deed: Coastal Banc Savings Association to Robert Greig, a tract containing 1.275 acres of land, lots #4, 5, and 6 in blk. #65, Columbus; 2-25-92.

Deed: L.J. Braden et ux to August H. Jones Jr. et ux, part of subdivision lots #5, 6, 7 & 8 in blk. #139, Columbus; 2-26-92.

Deed: First National Bank of Eagle Lake to Rita J. Salter, 0.0861 acre, lot #4, and 0.0861 acre, lot #5, in blk. #1 of the Westmoreland Addition, Eagle Lake; 2-26-92.

Deed: Plantation Land Company to John C. Ray and Ramona J. Ray, lot #40 of the Forest Oaks Subdiv. Frisco, Section 12, in George Metz Survey et al; 2-26-92.

Deed: Bethea Ward to Sally G. Weeks, 0.364 acre tract of land, lots #2, 3, 4 and 5 in blk. #30, Columbus; 2-28-92.

OIL & GAS LEASES

L.V. Crane (acting Power of Attorney) for Louis V. Crane Jr. to H.L. Hawkins Jr., 81 acres of the H. McCleary League; 3-2-92.

Billy B. Vaut et al to Bridge Oil Production Co., 172.64 acres out of the George J. Duncan Survey; 3-2-92.

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED

Mark Thomas Malone, appeal of expired license plates, J.P. #1; filed 2-24-92.

Mark Thomas Malone, speeding appeal, J.P. #1; 2-24-92.

Juan Jose Almeida, appeal of failure to yield right of way, J.P. #1; 2-24-92.

Todd Christopher Radke, alcohol to a minor, appeal, J.P. #2; 3-3-92.

DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUIT FILED

State of Texas vs. Randy L. Jackson; judgment Nisi; 3-4-92.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Matthew Allan Moore, 21, and Lillie G. Beyers, 32; both of Columbus.

Anthony Craig Stovall, 29, and Tanya A. Stovall, 26; both of Columbus.

Arturo Ayala Davalos, 33, and Carolina Rosales Prado, 21; both of Weimar.

DIVORCES FILED

Ana Marie Smith and Jason Edward Smith; filed 3-5-92.

Vikie Jane Ellodge and Troy Dean Ellodge; 3-5-92.

Lenore M. Carpo and Robert Carpo Sr.; 3-6-92.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Jerry Warner White and Judith Ruth White.

Dea G. Hanak and James L. Hanak.

Brenda Mae Calhoun and Dempsey Luke Calhoun.

Kimberly Michelle Milanez and James Keith Milanez.

Darlene Dawn Smith and Jimmy Jewell Smith.

William Wade Andrews and Deana Marie Andrews.

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