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Is it time to abolish state treasurer's office?

With State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison going to Washington as Texas' junior U.S. Senator, Comptroller John Sharp said last week the time is right to make the state government more efficient by merging the treasury with his office.

State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
Texas Press Association

It's not a new idea. Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock suggested it almost 15 years ago when he was state comptroller. And auditors on two occasions suggested to Sharp that the offices should be merged.

Sharp said he rejected the recommendations because he didn't want to be accused of engaging in partisan politics. Sharp is a Democrat and Hutchison is a Republican.

Sharp said he and Gov. Ann Richards recently discussed merging the agencies. "Ann asked me, if Krueger doesn't win, how many folks it would take to operate the state treasury. We could cut it 75%, probably more."

But the suggestion got a cold reception from Hutchison, who called the treasury "the most efficient agency in state government. The state treasury was set up as a constitutional office by our founding fathers because they understood our system of checks and balances, even if our comptroller doesn't."

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staff and former deputy treasurer, Cathy Bonner, executive director of the Texas Dept. of Commerce; Pam Reed, member of the Texas Water Commission; Mary Scott Nabors, Krueger's successor on the Texas Railroad Commission; and Paul Williams, Richards' current chief of staff.

Bush Eyes Governor's Race
George W. Bush, the former president's eldest son, may challenge Gov. Richards when she tries for a second term next year.

"Put me down as interested," Bush told *The Dallas Morning News* recently.

"She's got a high personality cult following and she's funny and witty and charming at times," he said, but added that Richards has yet to be challenged on tough issues.

The managing general partner of the Texas Rangers said another consideration is whether or not his brother, Jeb Bush, enters Florida's gubernatorial race.

Governor Vetoes Gun Bill
Surrounded by two people paralyzed by gunshot wounds and uniformed police officers, Gov. Richards vetoed the controversial concealed weapon weapons bill four days after lawmakers were home.

Proponents of the measure said the governor's action likely will be remembered in her re-election campaign.

By the time the bill reached Richards' desk it simply called for a nonbinding public vote on the right to carry a concealed weapon.

"This bill would spend \$60,000 to do a public opinion poll for gun interests. I cannot in good conscience waste taxpayer dollars to conduct a poll that will accomplish nothing and diverts attention from the real issues of crime such as drug abuse and prison overcrowding," Richards said.

But a House author of the measure promised to resurrect the bill in the 1995 legislative session. "It's an issue that is not going to go away," said Rep. Bill Carter, R-Haltom City.

Carter also disputed the governor's estimate that the referendum would cost \$60,000. The vote would have occurred on the regular Nov. 2 election day so it would simply have required adding a line to the ballot, he said.

"Killer" Bee List Grows
Presidio National Park has been added to a list of 52 counties under a bee quarantine after the discovery of Africanized bees there.

A swarm of the killer bees was found in a trap near Marfa. Federal agriculture officials later confirmed the bees were Africanized. Beekeepers may not move hives out of the quarantine area.

Other Highlights
• State Comptroller Sharp praised the Legislature for approving 85% of the savings proposed in his "Against the Grain" report. He said the savings will total \$3.8 billion over the next two years.

Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO

November 7, 1968
Miss Peggy Shelton of Hallettsville was chosen as the Texas Trail Association...

Ed Krivicka, president of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce, welcomed Hal Swiggett of San Antonio, president of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association, to the Eagle Lake, Garwood, Altair, Lissie, Egypt area for the writers' annual hunt on Monday...

Richard Nixon was elected president and Spiro Agnew vice president in a very tight election race over Humphrey-Griffin. Wallace trailed far behind...

In another hotly contested race, J.J. Jake Pickle, incumbent congressman, beat Republican Ray Gable for the Dist 10 seat...

A fire claimed a vacant house in New Town Halloween night...

County Agent Doyle L. Moore has announced the outbreak of the first case of screwworm in the county in five years at a place in New Bellau...

S-4 Robert McMillian is home with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. A.T. McMillian in Sheridan following a tour of duty in Vietnam...

Registration of big weapons has begun. All unregistered machine guns, sawed off shotguns, other gangster-like weapons or bomb devices such as grenades or land mines, must now be registered with the Internal Revenue Service. They can be registered without penalty from Nov. 2 through Dec. 1...

Sheridan Broncos travelled over 100 miles to play Danbury in the district playoff for 23B championship Nov. 1. They won 12-0 and will play the Alief Bears Nov. 8...

Mr. & Mrs. John Adkins are the parents of a son, Frank Alan, born Oct. 31...

Sheridan twirlers won first place medals in the recent UIL competition. Soloists were Carol Kinchloe, Cindy Quinney, Leatrice Botard and LaVerne Tesch...

Mrs. Charles Causey reports that Mrs. Linda Nixon of Houston has provided much information and photos on the history of Eagle Lake dating back to the 1930s. The Study Club has taken on the task of gathering the City's history for a book...

February 23, 1945
Ray Arnold was a brief visitor Sunday. He has seen extensive service

Is education ready for the 21st century?

Guest Editorial by Jack Maguire

When Perry was born, Texas had a population approaching four million. It is about 17 million today and is expected to reach more than 22 million by 2025. Most of the expected growth will come from minority ethnic groups.

This is not surprising in a state that always has had a proud ethnic heritage. The American Indians, Spanish, Germans, Poles, Mexicans, Anglos, Blacks and at least 25 other racial and cultural groups have made the state the great melting pot of humanity it is today.

As Dr. Murdock points out, however, these same ethnic groups, plus Asians, immigrants from South America and other parts of the world, are contributing to the greatest population explosion in the state's history.

As a result, Dr. Dudley Poston, Texas A&M sociologist, says the state must plan now to build hundreds of new public schools and increase the number of senior colleges by one third.

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Letters to Editor Policy
The Eagle Lake Headlight will accept reasonable length letters for publication in the Letters to the Editor column under the following guidelines:

1. Letters should not be more than 1,500 characters.
2. All letters must include the writer's name printed as well as the writer's signature, and include the writer's address and home and work telephone numbers. The Headlight must be able to reach the writer in person before the letter can be published.
3. The writer may request their name be withheld from publication, but the information mentioned in Paragraph No. 2 must be included for our files.
4. Letters about political activity will be published but those which mention candidates will be considered advertising and charged at the regular advertising rate.
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Most Headaches Are Tension/Stress Related

A large number of individuals who seek the advice of a physician do so for the relief of headache pain. According to a recent article in *American Family Physician*, the most common type of headache is tension or stress-related headache. Other names for this type of headache include "common," "ordinary," and "muscle contraction." Tension headaches typically develop very slowly and begin in the middle of the day. Often there is a dull, aching feeling on both sides of the head. There may be tightness in head and neck muscles.

Treatment of tension headache includes stress reduction and the use of various medicines. Stress-reducing activities may include regular exercise and relaxation. Psychologists and counselors may use biofeedback and hypnosis to aid in reducing excess stress. Nonprescription pain reliever medicines may provide relief from tension headaches. The general guide is to use the lowest dose that relieves most of the pain. Relatively safe over-the-counter pain relievers include aspirin, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen. Medicines prescribed for tension headache include butalbital combined with aspirin and caffeine, codeine (alone or combined with other medicines), and the nonsteroidal antiinflammatory agents. Muscle relaxants may be beneficial in some persons. If anxiety or depression is present, medicines for one or both of these conditions are available.



LaNeille Etheridge and her boss, Jay Anderson, discuss details at his retirement party.

Anderson retires from Prairie Rice

Downtown Chesterville was the scene of an open house Thursday, June 3, honoring Jay Anderson. He is retiring as president of Prairie Rice.

The staff of LaNeille Etheridge, Karen Teichman, Kenneth Monceaux, Joe Salinas and Gerald Sosa, hosted the reception for his boss.

There were about 100 guests present to salute Anderson as he steps down. Customers, friends, family and former employees joined in the festivities.

Anderson's secretary, LaNeille Etheridge, presented him with a custom made gold rice head lapel pin on behalf of the staff. It is a replica of the head of rice used as the company logo.

As Prairie Rice enters its 30th drying season, Anderson will continue as chairman of the board of directors, maintaining parttime office hours.

Dennis DeLaughter will assume responsibilities as president of the company.

Jay Anderson, right, visits with John Adkins, left, as Monroe Ripper and Kenneth Monceaux join them.

PRAIRIE EDGE MUSEUM NOTES

By Elizabeth Boothe, Reporter

For the week of June 17, 1993. There were 34 registered visitors to the museum in May. Try to make that a much larger number each month by scheduling visits for yourselves and out of town guests. The museum is open from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Special tours can be arranged if you contact Bill Harrison at 234-2662 or Elizabeth Boothe at 234-3361.

Prairie Edge is the scene of much activity during the year. Of course, you know what a busy place it was this past April during the Wildflower Celebration activities.

At present, rehearsals for the play *Deary Departed* are being held. The play will be presented the evenings of June 25 and 26 at 8 p.m. Reserve seat tickets are for sale at Gifts of Distinction and are priced at \$7.50. Tickets for unreserved seats may be purchased from many of the museum members and at Gifts of Distinction. These tickets sell for \$5.50.

On July 15, the Colorado County Historical Commission will have a covered dish supper, business meeting and program at the museum. On Oct. 18, the Wharton County Junior College Foundation Board will meet at Prairie Edge.

The Thrift Shop workers are taking a well deserved vacation until the shop reopens the first Saturday in Aug. If you have items to donate, please call one of the following workers and they will see that they are taken care of: Louise Brunner 234-2395, Catherine Clipson 234-2916 and Ethel Cone 234-3706. Furniture, household appliances and linens are good sales items. Remember Aug. 7 as the next date for the shop to be open.

Tractors at our museum are very popular exhibits. We very soon will have a Farmall tractor of the International 1936 vintage. This interesting machine is being donated by Don Weaver of Simonton.

Sammy Tise, who for many years was an employee of Tenneco Oil Company, has donated many paid invoices of companies no longer operating in Eagle Lake. Among these are: Gulf Coast Oil Field Contracting, Konescheck Electric Service, Universal Supply Company Inc., Steve Taylor Ford Inc., Eggs Lumber Company Inc. and Alamo Lumber Company Inc.

These and many other paid invoices will be included in the sleeves of the albums containing such materials pertaining to our Eagle Lake history.

Make plans to see the blue bells to be found in our special planter in the parking lot. These beauties should be blooming very soon.

I believe many of you will be interested in seeing and hearing the program entitled "Lady Bird Johnson." This is due to be shown on Channel 8, June 18.

"Conscience warns us as a friend before it punishes us as a judge." Anonymous

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Ronnie Priesmeyer who plays the part of "Junior" in the upcoming Prairie Edge Players' production of *Deary Departed*, seems to be in another world as the gloriously attired "Suzanne", played by Janet Dupre, tries to communicate with him.

'CARE' program to discuss violence epidemic

The Council for Advancement of Rural Education (CARE) will host their regular monthly program Tuesday, July 7, at 7 p.m. The program topic is "Violence: The Unrecognized Epidemic."

The Wharton Civic Center, 1924 N. Fulton, is the setting for the meeting which is open to the public.

Virginia L. Scott, MSN, nurse executive for the Harris County Hospital District, is one of the featured speakers. She plans to give an overview of violence as a health problem. Also to be covered in separate lab sessions are: the role of the EMS in sexual assault and domestic violence situations; emergency department protocols; counseling referral networks; violence and the law; and inter-agency systems development.

The program qualifies for credits for nursing, EMS, TCEOSE and TFFMA. Nurses, paramedics, law enforcement personnel, firefighters and other allied health professionals are encouraged to attend the program.

For information about the meeting of the CARE program, call the Wharton EMS at 409-532-2491.

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DEEDS
Deed: Leonard L. Walker and Dorothy A. Walker to Alan Campbell, 73.90 acres being SW/2 of the former E. Lauterstein tract in the G. Strawschneider League, Abstract No. A-40; filed 4-12-93.

Deed: Julia Payne to Julia H. Payne 1993 Revocable Trust Agreement, interest in 531.5 acres in the R.H. Tobin Survey, Abstract No. 551 and the Edward Ruben Survey, Abstract No. 479; filed 4-12-93.

Deed: Helen Arellano to Filomena Arellano, Lot 12, Block 26, Westmorland Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 4-12-93.

Deed: Howard Frank Huebel et al to Gregory E. Venghaus et al, 6 tracts of land out of the James Cummins League, Abstract No. 12; 4-12-93.

Deed: Lillie German et al to Madeline German Hattermann, 16.00 acres located in the Alfred Kelo Survey, Abstract No. 368; 4-12-93.

Deed: A.S. Catechis and Chris Catechis to Albert G. Hoover and Anita Hoover, 45.090 acres out of the Nicholas Kelly Survey, Abstract No. 373; 4-13-93.

Deed: Verlie T. Brune to Alfonso Crisell Jr. et al, 32 acres of land out of the P.R. Spaine League; 4-13-93.

Deed of Gift: Frank P. Braden et al to Donald William Braden, 11.532 acres out of the James Cummins League, Abstract No. A-12; 4-13-93.

Deed of Gift: Frank P. Braden and Martha Braden to Kenneth Bruce Braden, 66 acre tract out of the Howard McElroy and Andrews Leagues; 4-13-93.

Deed: Eida Eita Eilers and Deborah Eilers Dye to Kameel Z. Girgis et al, 2.0 acres of land in the Abraham Alley League, Abstract No. 53; 4-14-93.

Deed: James C. Leavelley et al to Marvin Jack Jr. et al, 45.277 acres of land out of the M.H. Phelps Survey, Abstract No. A-453; 4-15-93.

Deed Gift: Arthur L. Miller Jr. et al to John Arthur Miller et al, 616.50 acres out of a part of the Richard Dowdy League, Abstract No. 163; 4-15-93.

Deed: Robert H. Henneke et al to Roy G. Clout, subdivision Lot No. 11, Block 69, City of Columbus; 4-16-93.

Gift Deed: Eliot P. Tucker to Dianne Duncan Tucker, et al, int. in 2 acres in the James Ross Survey, Abstract No. 39; 4-16-93.

Deed: Ruth Turner to Jessie James Brown, and 1/2 interest in Lot 6, Block 4, B.W. McCarty Addition, City of Eagle Lake; 4-16-93.

Deed: John R. Zapalac to Peter T. Zapalac, int. in 50.1034 acres out of the J.M. Burton 34 League, Abstract No. 25 and the W.T. Dunlavy League, Abstract No. 170; 4-19-93.

Deed: James Arthur Simpson et al to Gilbert H. Hollub et al, 31.000 acres of land out of the R. Owens Survey, Abstract 440 in the G. Obrecht Survey, Abstract 443 and the John Gillespie Survey, Abstract No. 223; 4-19-93.

OIL & GAS LEASE
Joe William Douglas to Enron Oil & Gas Co., 100.05 acres out of the S.A.M.G. R.R. Co. Survey, No. 17, Abstract No. 539; filed 4-15-93.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Gene Bryan Spalek, 22, Eagle Lake, and Tonya Sue Sisson, 24, Columbus. Eugene Lee Freeman, 21, and Tiffany A. Sedlack, 18, both of Columbus. Broderick Debban Stevenson, 18, Eagle Lake, and Brandy Arlove Young, 20, Columbus. Christopher Allan Garmoe, 26, Albuquerque, N.M., and Kimberly Denise Hostet, 28, Austin. Forrest Eugene Bryant II, 18, and Donna Michelle Greak, 18, both of Rock Island.

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED
Thomas Wayne Lopez, Columbus; reckless conduct; filed 6-3-93. Joseph B. Potter, Keneffick, Texas; theft-by-check; 6-3-93. Frankie Gonzalez Lopez, Schulenburg; failure to stop and give information; 6-4-93. Juan Carlos Comacho, Columbus; assault; 6-6-93. Andrew Wright, Columbus; shop lifting; 6-4-93. Pauline Gossnell, Columbus; driving while intoxicated (DWI); 6-4-93. George E. Willich, El Campo; theft-by-check; 6-9-93.

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