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To The Editor & You Is America Asleep?

Guest Editorial By Rev. Larry Bailey, Minister First United Methodist Church of Eagle Lake

In the book *White America Slept* the author writes how the American people and Congress ignored events in Europe and Asia during the 1930s, while ominous clouds of war built up. When hostilities brought the Allied countries to near collapse, America was unprepared. For a decade America had acted as if we could be unaffected by the tragedies in far away places.

Is America asleep again? For over a decade, in my opinion, we have been affected by events in other nations. Some economists have even stated that we have been at war.

There are no bullets flying, there are no canons booming through the night, there are no bombs falling. But there are American people losing jobs, farms and life savings.

Do we not realize that there is a highly competitive economic conflict being waged? Have we been caught napping again?

Last Saturday, the point was made afresh. President Clinton was in Seoul, South Korea. While he and the South Korean government officials conducted their affairs, there was a demonstration outside. One group of demonstrators were farmers.

It seems there is a law in that country that American rice cannot be imported and the farmers were vocal to the point of rioting to let their government know they want the law to remain.

I understand that similar restrictions keep American rice out of Japan. Certain nations severely restrict American products while they ship massive quantities of their products into our country. We are paying dearly for this economic imbalance.

How can such an imbalance exist? Why does it continue to grow, even after years of headlines and publicity? The answer is money and influence. Certain governments and corporations in those countries employ lobbyists to influence our Congress and administration.

According to the book *Agents of Influence* by Pat Choate, at least 3,500 former senators, congressmen, government officials and lawyers are registered consultants of foreign interests.

For instance, many brands of shoes are made in South Korea. Would you buy American? Try S.A.S. brand. One of their factories is in San Antonio. Or Mason Shoe Company, a mail order out of 1251 First Ave., Chippewa Falls, WI. 54774.

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Bible verse of the week

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Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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Whitehead is new state treasurer

Martha Whitehead, former mayor of Longview, was sworn in last week as Texas 24th state treasurer, succeeding Kay Bailey Hutchison who was elected to the U.S. Senate.

Whitehead, 58, said she would consider transferring some treasury functions to other agencies if she is satisfied they could perform the tasks better.

But the East Texas Democrat said she would call for shifting some investment management duties of other agencies to her office.

"We're going to make the case that we can manage investment better than other agencies and we are going to be very aggressive about that," said Whitehead.

Gov. Ann Richards conducted the swearing-in ceremony in the House chamber.

Deputy Treasurer Named

After Whitehead was sworn in, state Board of Insurance member Paul Williams resigned his post to become deputy treasurer.

Williams, a longtime aide to Gov. Richards, was appointed to a six-year term on the Insurance Board less than five months ago.

He has held the job of deputy treasurer before, when Richards was state treasurer. When Richards was elected governor, Williams served her as executive assistant then chief of staff before she appointed him to the Insurance Board.

Under legislation passed this past session, the three member Insurance Board will be dissolved Sept. 1, 1994. The state insurance dept. will then be run by a commissioner.

Williams, a native of Temple, is a graduate of Baylor University. He is a certified public accountant.

Whitehead said she has begun raising money for the 1994 election campaign. "I view a job well done as being elected in 1994," she remarked.

School Finance Appeal

More than 100 property poor

Meanwhile, a U.S. Dept. of Justice preclearance of the new school finance law, according to Secretary of State John Hannah. The new law was submitted to the department because of provisions that could affect voting.

Stephen Rosenbaum, chief of the agency's voting section, said in a letter that Attorney General Janet Reno is not objecting to the changes made in the law. But he noted that failure to object does not bar future court challenges.

Bribery Trial begins

The racketeering and bribery trial of former U.S. Rep. Albert Bustamante got under way last week in San Antonio.

"You're about to learn the story about a former congressman who was on the take," prosecutor Jackie Bennett told jurors. Bennett began the attack by calling a retired Air Force general who testified that Bustamante threatened him while trying to land a government food service contract for friends.

Bustamante, 59, a Democrat, lost his 23rd Congressional District seat to Republican Henry Bonilla amid publicity about the federal investigation.

Bustamante's wife, Rebecca, an attorney, is on trial charged with aiding and abetting her husband.

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

December 5, 1968

Cynthia Spaniel, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. L.J. Spaniel, has been named the Eagle Lake High School Good Citizenship award winner for the 1968-69 year by the DAR... The Eagle Lake Jaycees with the help of CP&L Co. will sponsor a Christmas lighting contest again this year with judging to be the week of Dec. 23...

Jack De Lony, formerly chief deputy for Gonzales County Sheriff's Dept., will be the new police chief for Eagle Lake. He joins Don Allred and Special Officer Bill Chavis on the city's police force.

Mrs. Virginia Uzzell will have the formal opening of Uzzell's Florist in Altair this weekend...

C.B. George, 79 of Lissie, died Friday from injuries received in a collision on County Line Road earlier the same day. It is the 14th fatality of the year in Colorado County...

The Sheridan Broncos are both in the state playoffs for high school football. The Broncos will play Montgomery in Brenham for the regional title, highest that class B can go. The Cards play Dunbar Lufkin in Conroe for state quarterfinals...

Wilcox Minimax will hold an Aunt Jemima Pancake Jamboree Saturday morning for all citizens. They will serve free pancakes, sausage, orange drink and coffee...

L.J. "Sonny" Spaniel was re-elected chief of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. along with the rest of the officers Nov. 25th...

The former Schneider-Ware Company, International Harvester dealer here, reopened Monday as Colorado Truck and Tractor Company under the ownership of Hlavnick Bros. of East Bernard...

Mr. & Mrs. J.T. Frnka of El Campo announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanette, to Floyd Spruett of Clifton. The wedding is planned for late January...

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By the way, eight hot dog buns in

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March 30, 1945
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July is Immunization Awareness Month

July has been designated Immunization Awareness Month in Texas and Colorado County. County Judge H.O. Strunk signed a proclamation so stating.

In the past five years, according to state statistics, Texas has led the nation in morbidity and mortality for many diseases preventable by vaccine. Texas also ranks last among all 50 states in percentage of children who have been fully immunized. Immunization levels in some parts of the state are even below that of third world nations.

Some estimate that three out of every 10 two-year olds are not appropriately immunized for their age. In some inner cities and colonies less than 50% of two year olds are fully immunized.

This low vaccine rate in Texas is being addressed through concerted efforts of Texas Dept. of Health, other health care leaders, public officials and private citizens. The goal is to have 100% immunization of all children under 18 in the state of Texas as soon as possible in the most cost effective manner.

The Texas Dept. of Health conducts a public immunization clinic the first Tuesday of each month in Eagle Lake at the old Laughlin Clinic, 200 S. McCarty from 2 to 4 p.m. The clinic is open to everyone regardless of income. In a special effort to get children inoculated this summer, all immunizations are free at the TDH health clinic for the months of July and August. The next clinic is Aug. 3. For additional information about immunizations call 409-732-3662.

Colorado County Judge H.O. "Butch" Strunk recently signed a proclamation declaring July as Immunization Awareness Month as public health nurses, from left, Beverly Howe, Bernice Richter and Betty Willborn looked on. Free immunizations will be offered in both July and Aug. by the Texas Department of Health, located at 514 Washington St. in Columbus. For information, call 409-732-3662.

Here's what it's all about

By Terry A. Rossignol
Assistant Refuge Manager

Editor's Note: This is the first in a monthly series of articles by the staff of the Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge located north of Eagle Lake on FM 3013. It is under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The series will concentrate on information about the Wildlife Service, refuge activities and prairie chickens.

Have you ever stopped to think about some things in life that don't make sense? Why are hot dogs sold in bundles of 10 but hot dog buns sold in packages of eight? Why are most federal lands, such as national wildlife refuges and parks (lands on the exterior), managed by agencies within the Department of the Interior?

Let's look into the past of one of these agencies, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, to see if we can find an answer to this last question.

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) is a federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting and enhancing this nation's fish and wildlife resources.

The USFWS's origins date back to 1871 when Congress established the U.S. Fish Commission to study the decrease of the nation's food fishes. It was placed under the Dept. of Commerce in 1903 and renamed the Bureau of Fisheries.

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Bruce W. McCarty...

Mrs. W.D. Callaway passed away in the early hours of March 25 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F.A. Hoeninghaus, with whom she had lived the past 10 years...

Another tragic message reached relatives here Saturday that Pvt. Arthur Hodde had been missing in action since Feb. 19 in Luxembourg. He went overseas Jan. 17...

Tom Haley is the new bookkeeper at the C.P. and L. office...

Pvt. M.H. Lewis is reported slightly wounded in action somewhere in Germany according to a message to his mother, Mrs. Tom Lewis, Wednesday... First Lt. Bruce W. Waddell has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in connection with military operations in France, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland...

Navy Sound Man 2-c William Glasier writes his mother from the Pacific of his new promotion: He is now a supervisor... Cpl. Chester Glasier has sent his wife some souvenirs from Italy... Maurice Goodson announces the taking over of the Gulf Station north of town...

Bob Cole announces that Cletis Jones of Dallas has arrived to make his home in Eagle Lake. Mr. Jones will be assistant manager and chief operator of Cole's Theatre...

Ensign Fred R. Frnka is leaving Saturday for Pensacola, Fla., after spending a 30 day leave with his parents Mr. & Mrs. Fred G. Frnka...

Cpl. Robert W. Segelquist writes that he is now stationed in Italy with the Airforce... Mrs. A.E. Cernal received her Easter Orchid on Palm Sunday. It was a courtesy of her son, First Lt. W.H. Cernal...

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Engstrom spent last weekend with his parents Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Engstrom of Garwood.

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Deed: Ellis Cattle Company Inc. to James H. Dobson, et ux, 16.25 acres out of John H. Dabney Survey, Abstract No. 17, 5-21-93.

Deed: Ivory Ballard to Ruby Wilks, et al, Lot No. 16, Block No. 2 of the Keith Addition to the City of Eagle Lake, 5-22-93.

Gift Deed: James L. Keith Jr. to Magnolia Homes Tours, Inc., all of Lot 5 and 6, Block No. 44, Columbus, 5-24-93.

Gift Deed: Pauline Maldonado, et vir to Hugo Llanos, et ux, Lots No. 4 and 5, Block No. 3, End O'Main Addition to City of Eagle Lake, 5-24-93.

Deed: Leabum Tipp, et al to Frances Kern, (102,5192 acre tract, part of the J. Garwood Survey, Abstract No. 222, et al, 5-24-93.

Deed: Leabum Tipp, et al to Winston Tipp, 104,1401 acre tract, part of the J. Garwood Survey, Abstract No. 222, et al, 5-24-93.

Deed: Pablo Evora, et ux to Ben Rios, et ux, 3,2283 acres in the James Earl Survey, Abstract No. 189, 5-25-93.

Deed: Jeffrey Christian Schroeder to Roberto Ayala, Lot 15, Block 88, Town of Sheridan, 4-26-93.

Deed: Michael Rose Investments, partnership composed of Rose Marie Roquemore and Michael Roquemore to Reyes Castillo, Lot No. 4, Beaks Addition to City of Eagle Lake, 4-26-93.

Deed: Albert F. Werland, et ux to Clyde Albert Werland, et al, 201,923 acres in the B.M. Daugherty Survey, Abstract No. 177, et al, 5-27-93.

Deed: Garland William Moore, individually and Henschel H. Moore, as independent executor of the Estate of Nancy Briggs Moore, to Ralph Wayne Grinde, et ux, 9,575 acres of the Casper Rotheimer Survey, Abstract No. 485, et al, 5-28-93.

Deed: Frank T. Sronce, et al to W.R. Sronce III, et ux, 0.52 acre, part of the 50 acre tract in the E. Tumlinson League, Abstract No. 44, et al, 5-28-93.

Deed: Industry State Bank to Scott Sturges, et ux, 66,6766 acres and 30,7040 acres out of the Howard McElroy Survey, 6-01-93.

Deed: Ervin J. Clost, et ux to R. Scott Sturges et ux, 150,7224 acres out of the Howard McElroy Survey, Abstract No. 32, 6-01-93.

Gift Deed: Steve A. Svetlik, et ux to Paula P. Svetlik Wicke, 0.494 acre being part of the Reddin Andrews 173 League, Abstract No. 52, et al, 6-01-93.

Deed: Travis Adair George, et ux to Margie Salinas, Lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block No. 71 of the Town of Sheridan, 6-01-93.

Deed: Estate of Warren W. Simmons to Emma P. Simmons, Lot No. 4, Block No. 3, McCormick Addition No. 3, 6-01-93.

Deed: Estate of Warren W. Simmons to Emma P. Simmons, 50 acres in the Charles Cook and N.W. B. DeWees Survey, 6-01-93.

Deed: Emma P. Simmons to Warren W. Simmons, et al, und. int. in 50 acres in the Charles Cook and N.W. B. DeWees Survey, 6-01-93.

Deed: Evelyn W. Thomas to Norma Combs Bibbs, et al, 0.4132 acre, part of Lot No. 3, Block No. 48, Weimar, 6-01-93.

OIL & GAS LEASES

Lease: Casper McCoy Einkauf to Esenjoy Petroleum Corp., 160 acres out of the S.A. & M.G. R.R. Co. Survey No. 5, Abstract No. 540, 6-1-93.

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