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To The Editor & You

County Fair Association says 'thanks'

We want to thank each of you who contributed to the success of the 1995 Colorado County Fair. The excitement of the participants and spectators was overwhelming.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, our appreciation goes to the many, many volunteers, sponsors, business, contributors, newspapers, radio stations, county extension office, Columbus Chamber of Commerce, civic organizations, teachers, and anyone involved in some way for your time and contributions to help make this another success.

Our congratulations to all the pageant and fair queen winners. We appreciate the sale of the pre-season passes. This contributes to the entertainment brought to you by the Fair Association.

Without the dedication of everyone involved, our goals couldn't be accomplished. You, the people of Colorado County, this is your fair and together we can make this the biggest event in the County. Let's make our youth proud.

Senate committee to grill Collins on resignation

James A. "Andy" Collins, executive director of the Texas Criminal Justice, is scheduled to appear before the Senate Criminal Justice Committee on Oct. 19 to answer questions about his Sept. 14 resignation and private business plans.



State Capitol Highlights By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling Texas Press Association

Collins is continuing in office until a successor is named by the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, the body that oversees the administration of the prison system.

Sen. Mike Montcrief, D-Fort Worth, John Whitmire, D-Houston and James E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, questioned why the board only accepted applications for Collins' successor for about 10 days, and expressed concern that he may not have been enough time for qualified individuals to apply.

Board chairman Allan Polunsky, who maintained that the selection process has been done by the book, said Collins' successor may be named as early as Oct. 24, when the board meets in San Antonio.

Montcrief told the Houston Chronicle he was concerned that Collins' new Louisiana-based company, Professional Care of America Inc., will compete with prison management companies in Texas.

TDCJ spokesman Glen Castlebury said Collins will be happy to answer the committee's questions regarding both his service as executive director and his private business.

"(Collins) has a corporate shell, which has no assets, no office, no phone, no contractors, no payroll. But it has a vision that, down the line in two years, may have a profitable operation in the state of Louisiana... There is no conflict," Castlebury told the Chronicle.

Sharp, in describing the card as "the most fool-proof" in the United States, said, "This little card doesn't work on a downtown street corner in Houston, Texas, buying crack cocaine, or something that you're not supposed to buy."

Advocates of the poor have criticized the card, saying that it allows no cash to exchange hands. Some users would buy food with the stamps and use the change to buy items such as toiletries and detergent, the American Statesman reported.

But state officials countered that point, noting that often, change was used to buy cigarettes, alcohol and drugs.

Cotton Crop Loss Hefty On another front, Sharp estimated that Texas cotton farmers stand to lose at least \$209 million from what was otherwise projected to be a bumper crop this year.

"These losses result from crop yields being reduced - or in many cases destroyed entirely - as well as the additional expenses associated with purchasing and applying chemicals to fend off a pest that never before has significantly affected the Texas cotton crop," Sharp said.

Sharp said the army beetworm, a pest that Texas vegetable growers routinely must control, this year invaded the Texas cotton fields, severely crippling production in two key cotton-growing regions of the state.

In a special report released by the comptroller's office, Sharp estimated the economic losses of the cotton crop in the Rio Grande Valley at \$143 million, or roughly the combined annual salaries of every public school teacher in Cameron County.

In the Concho Valley area, the losses are projected at \$38 million, while cotton farms in the Coastal Bend, Winter Garden and South Plains regions will have to spend nearly \$30 million for chemicals to protect their crops from the beetworm.

Other Highlight -State Sen. Bill Sims, D-Point Rock, said last week he will retire when his term expires in Jan. 1997. Sims, 63, known for his conservative voting record, missed much of the 1995 legislative session while recovering from a stroke.

Food Stamps Era to End State Comptroller John Sharp heralded the end of the paper-money style food stamps and welcomed the advent of a statewide plastic debit card to replace them.

Last week, Sharp announced that by the end of October, the new "Lone Star Card" will be used statewide instead of the old-fashioned USDA food stamps. He said the new system would save the state and nation millions of dollars in printing, collecting and shredding costs.

By Nov., the Austin American-Statesman reported.

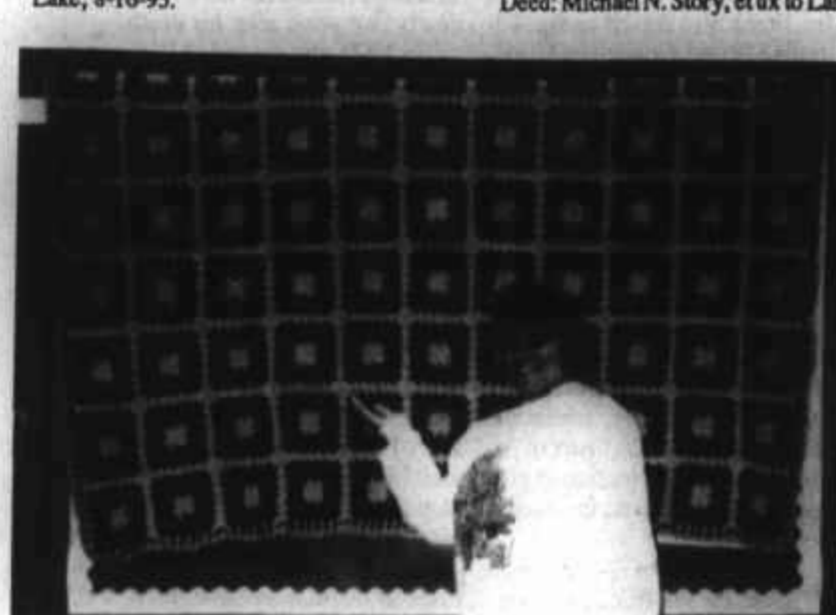
Bible Verse of the Week "Blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it." - Luke 11:28 Submitted by Neddy Phillips

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS Deed: Estate of Charles Herder to Cloigne L. Herder, Lot 3, Block 47, Town of Weimar; filed 8-15-95. Deed: Juan Castillas to Rogelio Rodriguez and Maria G. Rodriguez, Lot 16, Block 5, Lakeside Addition, City of Eagle Lake; 8-16-95. Deed: Michael N. Story, et ux to Larry P. Holtecher, et ux, Subdivision Lots 9 & 10, Block 41, City of Columbus; 8-17-95.

James C. May to Weeks Exploration Co., 20 acres in the Northern Harvey Morey Survey, A-730; 8-21-95. COUNTY COURT CASES FILED Samuel Alford, Rock Island; terroristic threat. Charles Austin, Columbus, theft of service. Albert Barrios, Eagle Lake; resisting arrest. Christopher Jon Bridy, Austin; possession of marijuana. Chris Eugene Bushert, Austin; possession of marijuana. David Moffett, Marble Falls; unlawfully carrying a weapon. David Moffett, Marble Falls; possession of marijuana.

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Keep warm, help library at same time Peggy Navarro shows off an afghan donated by Blanche Reid for the upcoming Study Club Auction, the evening of Oct. 21. Be sure to be there and enter a bid on the beautiful items which will be offered. Headlight Photos by Carol Cardenas



They'll make your smile like theirs Eagle Lake Dental Associates is donating an examination, cleaning and x-ray to the Study Club Auction. The staff hopes you'll come in for all your dental needs provided by, from left, Lennie Matula, Colleen Meitzen, John Myers D.D.S., Jennifer Obenhaus and Karen Baranowski. Not pictured are Dr. Vilma Fernandez and Letty Delgado.

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

Feb. 4, 1971 Army Warrant Officer Carl M. Rees II, 22, son of Mr. & Mrs. Melvin C. Rees of Garwood, recently received his 1st and 2nd awards of the Air Medal and a Purple Heart near Pleiku, Vietnam... Mr. & Mrs. Jack Axel of Altair announced the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Mary Dell to Wilbert Williams, son of Mr. & Mrs. Tony Williams of Garwood. The wedding will take place at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church in Altair... In a lovely candlelight setting at the First Presbyterian Church, Miss Debra Randow became the bride of Melvin Schmitt on Jan. 8, at 7:30 p.m. The parents of the bride are Mr. & Mrs. C.K. Randow of this city and the groom's parents are Mr. & Mrs. Arthur F. Schmitt Sr. of Weimar... W.H. Lemons Jr., area director of the Wage-Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, announced that on Feb. 1, 1971, several thousand employees in the Houston area received pay raises from \$1.45 to \$1.60 per hour because of the changes the Fair Labor Standards Act, commonly known as the Wage and Hour Law... David A. Willis of Eagle Lake earned the ranking of Distinguished Student at Texas A&M University. He is a second year accounting major and the son of Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Willis of this city... Mrs. Victor Schoellmann, a resident of the Garwood community for over 48 years, passed away at the El Campo Hospital on Jan. 26. Funeral services were held from the Triska Chapel on Friday, Jan. 29, at 9 a.m... Gene Brown received word Monday of the death of his step-father, J.R. Fouts of Haskell, who passed away Monday after a short illness.

July 11, 1947 Mr. & Mrs. Art Anderson (See 24 & 48, Page 4)

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Table with car models and prices: 1995 Buick Skylark \$13,250, 1995 Buick Century \$14,850, 1995 Pontiac Bonneville \$19,900, 1995 Buick Skyline \$16,900, 1995 Olds Sierra \$15,995, 1996 Pontiac Bonneville \$20,900, 1995 Pontiac Firebird \$15,989, 1995 Oldsmobile Aurora \$33,652, 1995 Cadillac Sedan DeVille \$29,995, 1996 Buick Riviera \$32,052, 1996 Olds Aurora \$34,600, 1996 Cadillac Sedan DeVille \$36,580, SPECIAL CLOSEOUT ALL 1995 DODGE TRUCKS \$500 Rebate... Your Choice AT OUR COST! \$16,995, 1996 Dodge Stratus \$16,580, 1996 Plymouth Voyager Van \$17,995, 1996 Dodge X-Cab \$30,963

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Table with car models and prices: 1983 Chrysler 3000 \$12,650, 1982 Plymouth Voyager Van \$7,995, SPECIAL OF THE WEEK 1983 Chevy Malibu \$1,295, 1990 Ford Ranger Club Cab \$5,995, 1993 Pontiac Grand Am \$9,850, 1992 Cadillac Brougham \$11,995, 1994 Pontiac Grand Prix Coupe SE \$13,795, 1988 Olds Delta \$3,995, 1988 Chrysler LeBaron \$5,995, 1993 GEO Prizm LSI \$10,495, 1993 Plymouth Sundance \$7,695, 1982 Olds Delta \$10,650, 1983 Dodge Spirit \$8,995, SPECIAL OF THE WEEK 1989 GMC Sonoma \$5,195, 1992 Dodge Diplomat \$6,995, 1991 Pontiac SSE \$11,795

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BEAT THE BARON WASTE PARTICIPATE IN HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY Oct. 28, 1995 AT THE TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY 101 LEGION DRIVE COLUMBUS, TEXAS 9 A.M.-3 P.M. WHAT TO BRING: Paint • solvents • varnish • tires • recyclables: plastics, paper, aluminum, glass • pesticides • herbicides • drain opener • oven cleaner • stain removers • polish • hobby supplies • pool chemicals • transmission and brake fluids • motor oil • acids • batteries • photographic chemicals • products labelled CAUTION, WARNING, or POISON. PLEASE transport all products in their original containers, do not consolidate them. Make sure the containers are properly sealed and will not leak. Put containers in the trunk or back of your vehicle, away from passengers. DO NOT BRING: Explosives • radioactive materials • dioxins or waste generated by businesses or industries • containers larger than one gallon, except for motor oil and paint • any products that can be recycled or donated to someone.