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Hayek

9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 30. Trial has been set for Monday, Feb. 17.

The grand jury met Nov. 22 with out Hayek's case on the agenda, but 22 other cases were heard and indictments issued.

Five were sealed but since the date of Nov. 22 four have been opened, one is still sealed.

Indicted were Charles Lee Davidson for aggravated assault on Oct. 7; Daniel Ford Hooper, burglary of a habitation, July 20, burglary of a building, July 20, and theft of a firearm, Aug. 10; Laurie Gayle Taylor, burglary of a habitation, Sept. 9, July 20 and Aug. 10; and Juan Carlos Comacho, credit card abuse, three counts, June 27, June 28 and July 1.

Also indicted were Robert Charles Scott for the July 14, 1996, injury to a disabled individual. He allegedly hit Chase Conover;

by making; reportedly wrote a \$70 check on Lillian Welch's bank account on April 20, 1996;

Lella Shirley, possession of a controlled substance; reportedly four grams or more, but less than 200 grams of cocaine on Aug. 29, 1996;

Brian Oriantian Glenn, possession of a controlled substance; reportedly one gram or more, but less than four grams of cocaine Oct. 29, 1996;

Gloria Jean Moore, aggravated assault; reportedly occurred on Oct. 8, 1996 when he allegedly cut Willie Shorter with a knife;

Ralph Figueroa Romero, assault on a public servant; reportedly occurred Oct. 8, 1996, when he allegedly kicked Timothy Crume who was performing an official duty;

Crystal Hernandez, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle belonging to Alice Casper; reportedly occurred Sept. 3, 1996;

Nemecio Ruiz Olvera, felony DWI; reportedly occurred Oct. 27, 1996. The indictment said Olvera had been convicted on the same charges in Wharton County on Sept. 25, 1990, Jan. 23, 1991, April 13, 1993 and Feb. 15, 1996.

Gary Wayne Kuhala Jr. was indicted on charges of burglary of a building for an incident which reportedly occurred Sept. 18, 1996, at The Tavern owned by Baylen Fishbeck.

Paul Lee Rogers was also indicted on charges of burglary of a building in connection with the same break-in at The Tavern.

Nurse

Isidro Soto Rodriguez, two counts of indecency with a child (a female under age 17);

Jose Quinones Garcia, two counts of burglary of a habitation, reportedly Aug. 26, 1996, at homes owned by James Ross and Walter Thomas;

Tim Christian Lueddecke Jr., burglary of a habitation, reportedly Aug. 11, 1996, at the Alex Lux home;

Gloria Masburn Thompson, possession of a controlled substance; reportedly less than one gram of methamphetamine, July 24, 1996;

Josephine Padina Ruiz, possession of a controlled substance; reportedly less than one gram of cocaine on May 26, 1996.

John Newton Needham Jr., felony driving while intoxicated (DWI); reportedly on Aug. 30, 1996. Needham has prior convictions for DWI in Bee County on July 19, 1985, Jan. 4, 1988 and June 8, 1993. He was also convicted of DWI in Nueces County on Aug. 7, 1989. The indictment also stated he did "unlawfully, while intoxicated, drive and operate a motor vehicle in a public place" in McMullen County on Dec. 5, 1990.

De'Andrian La'Troy Dentley was indicted for burglary of a habitation which reportedly occurred Oct. 8, 1996, at the Karen Earls home;

Jacqueline Renee Jones, forgery

Over the last 21 years, she has fulfilled many roles as a registered nurse, staff med-surg nurse, assistant head nurse, head nurse, critical care specialist and nursing supervisor, cardiovascular surgery post-op specialist, nursing consultant, clinical faculty at UTMB.

She returned to UTMB to complete Masters in Nursing in 1995. Hargrave accepted a position to open and perform duties as primary care provider at two rural health clinics in Nacogdoches County in 1995. She joined at Eagle Lake Medical Clinic this Nov.

Nurse practitioners are primary health care providers. As advanced practice nurses, they provide nursing and medical services to individuals, families and groups, emphasizing health promotion and disease prevention, as well as the diagnosis and management of acute and chronic diseases. Services include ordering tests, teaching and counseling.

Educational preparation is defined by guidelines established by the profession to assure appropriate knowledge and clinical competency.

Nurse practitioners are committed to seeking and sharing knowledge that will promote quality health care and

All-District Raiders

Rice High School's 1996 Raiders varsity football players who were chosen for All-District honors are, in back, from left, Mason Pratt, honorable mention, defense; Heath Heinhold, second team defense, line-man; George Weller, second team offense, tackle and all-academic; Josh Godley, first team offense, return specialist, first team defense, secondary, and second team offense, receiver; Tim Powers, secondary team offense, light end and all-academic; and Kendrick Pipkins, second team offense, running back, and honorable mention defense, linebacker.

In front are Pete Rangel, honorable mention defense, secondary; Shaun Johnson, honorable mention defense, secondary; Lance Grigar, second team defense, secondary and all-academic; Warren Scott, second team defense, punter; and Leon Taylor-Davis, honorable mention offense, tackle. (See related story, Page 6.)

Photo Courtesy of Rice Athletics

Eagle Lake Crime Stoppers 'Crime of Week'

The Eagle Lake Crime Stoppers is offering up to \$1,000 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of any person or persons involved in a burglary of a residence on Laughlin Road.

The incident reportedly took place on Dec. 2 between 8:15 a.m. and 8:10 p.m.

If you saw anyone suspicious in the area during this time, or have any information concerning this case or any case, please call Crime Stoppers at 234-5555, or the police department at 234-2727.

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Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

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Chilblains, like all other individual foot problems, demand personalized attention. To get the care and treatment your feet deserve, call the foot care specialists at 234-5571. If you have a foot problem, you're not walking alone. Four out of five adults suffer from some kind of foot problem, and many choose to have their problem treated by a specialist in foot care. We offer complete family foot care for feet of all sizes and shapes at Rice District Community Hospital. I am there every Tuesday.

P.S. Immersion foot is another disorder caused by prolonged exposure to extreme cold and wet. Its symptoms resemble those of frostbite.

Grant

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customers, awards the grants up to three times a year. LCRA's Board of Directors set aside \$1 million for grants for fiscal 1997.

For more information on the grant program or to request an application, contact Frank Morgan, LCRA, at 1-800-776-5272, Ext. 3399.

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The local American Legion Post 108 is making a final and urgent appeal for toys and/or cash for toys for children in needy families.

The toy distribution will be held at the former Santa Fe Depot on East Main Street from 9 a.m. to 12 noon next Saturday, Dec. 21.

The program is for children aged infant through nine years. Last year, toys were given to 190 children.

Contributions may be left at Laker Printing & Trophies, IGA Foods, Wallis State Bank or A.J. Struss Auto Supply.

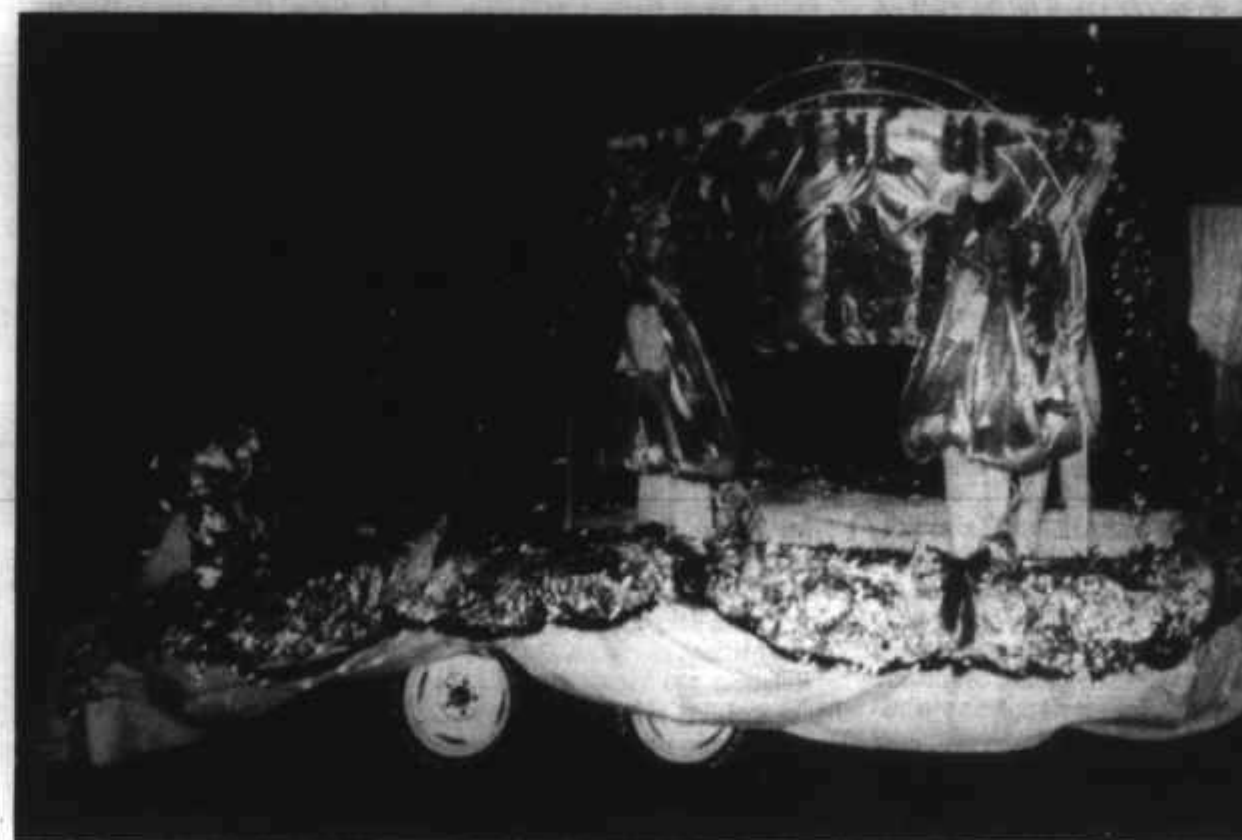
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'Kiss Ups' take tops in parade

The Eagle Lake Middle School Cheerleaders entry in this year's Lighted Christmas Parade won top honors with the theme of "Kissing Up To Santa". Each of the girls, as well as their sponsor Jeanne Young and her

children, Alyssa and Logan, were dressed as silver-wrapped Hershey's kisses. The costumes were made by Sylvia Rucka. (For related story, see Page 3; additional pictures, Page 6.) Headlight Photo by Leslie Risk

EAGLE LAKE POLICE REPORT

The Eagle Lake Police Department reported the following calls and cases for the week ending Dec. 9.

On Dec. 3, Officer Brian Ochoa was contacted at the police department in reference to a runaway. A

report was filed. A search conducted for the runaway, but she was not located at that time.

Officer Carl Risk responded to a report of loud music on State Street, but was unable to locate any.

On Dec. 4, Officer Tim Crume responded to a loose dog complaint on Kenny Street.

Officer Risk was dispatched to a loose dog report on Norris Street. A warning citation was issued for violation of the City ordinance.

Officer Ochoa was dispatched to a bank alarm, but when he arrived, he found all secure.

On Dec. 5, the department was advised of an overturned truck on FM 102 North. Chief Keith Webb and Constable Wilfred Lueddecke assisted with traffic control until the truck could be removed by Delgado's Wrecker Service.

Sgt. Jack Knox was dispatched to a Street in reference to a civil dispute. The matter was settled at the scene.

Officer Risk received a call of some people loitering in the 700 block of East Main. The subjects were arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Officer Risk was advised of an intoxicated male at LW's Diamond

Shamrock on Dec. 7. The subject, Manuel Stephen Ebarra of Eagle Lake, was located, arrested and processed at the police department. He was then transported to the Colorado County Detention Center (CCDC) for confinement. Assisting in the arrest were Officers Misty Lange, David Wood, Ochoa and Crume.

Officer Risk, Eric Bilbo, Lange and Wood located a subject known to have an outstanding warrant.

Ramiro Rico Jr. was taken into custody at the police department, then transported to CCDC for confinement.

On Dec. 8, Sgt. Knox and Officer Ochoa instituted a traffic stop in the 400 block of West Post Office Street, which resulted in the driver being arrested for driving while intoxicated.

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Assistant Superintendent Fred Grahmann indicated \$9,550 for fencing awarded to Canaris Nursery of Eagle Lake; \$3,810 has been spent on a sprinkler system awarded to Nolan Blaschke of Columbus; and \$455 for ground work to Smith's of El Campo.

Items yet to be accomplished included electricity, scoreboard and its installation, public address system, sodding or seeding, concrete work, press box, dugouts and storage shed.

Grahmann also reported that plans are being made to convert the old ag building at the Garwood School into a science lab.

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Bring in your letters

If your child would like to send a letter to Santa in care of *The Headlight*, be sure to bring it by the office at 220 E. Main before noon this Friday, Dec. 13.

Commissioners take first step in demolition of old jail

Colorado County Commissioners began the process of demolishing the old county jail when the Court voted to advertise for demolition during their regular monthly meeting Monday morning, Dec. 9.

The County will also have to have an asbestos survey to determine the amount of hazardous materials in the structure.

The decision came on the heels of a letter, dated Dec. 5, from Vincent C. Stasio of Harry Goleman Architects Inc. in Houston in which estimates renovation costs to the first floor only would be in the "neighborhood of \$168,000."

According to Stasio, the investigation revealed a foul odor, presumably from the existing sanitary waste system, which would indicate deterioration of the waste pipe.

"Hazardous or asbestos containing materials may be present within the pipe insulation, interior plaster wall and plaster ceiling finishes," said Stasio. "The existing electrical distribution system may not meet present electrical code requirements and roof repair and/or replacement is necessary as evidenced by water infiltration into the third-floor space."

Stasio added that any remodeling should include accessibility standards, which would require handicap accessible parking with ground and floor surfaces reasonably smooth and firm, handicap accessible ramps and handicap accessible rest rooms to meet state and federal requirements.

"It is important to note that without a definitive plan or office layout it is difficult to project construction costs. However, based on experience and historical cost data, the probable estimate for construction costs to renovate the first floor of the building

would be in the neighborhood of \$168,000," said Stasio.

According to Stasio, the County would be better served to sell the property or remove the existing building and make way for a new single-story County office building.

"That is only an estimate (the \$168,000) and will likely escalate even higher when we go to the second and third floors," said Precinct 1 Commissioner Richard Seifert.

The County had an estimate of \$25,000 to demolish the building in Feb., and currently has that amount budgeted for 1997.

A committee had already recommended demolition of the structure, but a group of concerned citizens had asked the County to delay any decision, possibly due to the historical value, until the end of the year.

"It has no historical value at this time," said County Judge Vince Stominski.

"I am strongly in favor of demolishing it. I have worked with the Historical Commission for nearly 30 years and that structure is not contributing to the historical value of our downtown district," said Laura Ann Rau. "Spending money on the first floor alone would be wasted funds."

In other business, the Court:

- Granted Tornado Flare Inc. of Alleyton and Brother Moxco Co. of Weimar tax abatement agreements;
- Reappointed John Hancher as the county's veterans service officer;
- Agreed to allow the county auditor to issue individual payment checks to EMS personnel for services rendered;
- Agreed to assume payments of the county auditor's hot check software at a cost of approximately \$150 per month;
- Approved annual membership

dues in the amount of \$955 to the Texas Association of Counties;

- Established the meeting schedule, as well as holidays, for 1997;
- Authorized the use of the court-house square for an antique show, sponsored by the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce, on April 26 and 27 of next year;
- Declined lease/purchase financing with Caprock for the county clerk's computer system and approved financing through the county's General Fund;
- Approved an agreement with

Pierce Arthur, C.P.A., to conduct the outside audit at a cost of approximately \$7,500;

- Agreed to reappoint Perry Kloeser as alternate to the Colorado County Central Appraisal District's Appraisal Review Board;
- Awarded bids for fuel for all precincts and sheriff's department to Colorado County Oil Co. and Hostetcher Oil Co., both of Columbus; and

- Tabbed bids on corrugated metal culverts, gravel, lime, hot and cold mix, and weed and brush control.

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