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TO THE EDITOR & YOU

EMS Gala termed success

On Saturday, March 1, Colorado and their participation was greatly ap- of Unit 801 in Columbus. It is also a County EMS hosted their Round-Up Gala. It was the first time that EMS personnel from the different cities in the County worked together for a auction items was lively and the spirit common goal.

Funds were raised to off-set the ing was overwhelming. cost of a new ambulance.

tremendous success.

assisted in spreading the word of the success it was. Gala; and their support was one of the reasons this endeavor was so success-

The citizens and businesses of the County were supportive in every way.

Sponsorships for the event began to come in the very week the letter requesting help went out.

Donations for the drawing and auctions were given cheerfully even though this past year has not been good for citizens due to the drought.

There were positive comments from those who attended the dance,

The bidding on the silent and live out and "get the job done".

I am proud to say this effort was a personally with everyone during the event and express my appreciation for possible for us to serve the ill and The newspapers and radio stations their efforts to make this Gala the injured.

I am proud to be a part of the staff

preciated by EMS personnel county-wide. source of pride to me that we (801) are part of a large group of medics who go

I am confident that County offiof community involvement and sharcials and the communities they serve will provide competent and efficient Regrettably, I was unable to visit emergency medical service to all.

My thanks go to all who make it

Sincerely, Judy Wick, Columbus

are fair game."

In looking at ways to answer the governor's call for property tax relief, the House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding last week asked the Texas comptroller's office for a list of organizations and businesses exempted from the state's franchise tax.

reports those exemptions cost the state \$70 million a year. Among those entities presently exempted are hundreds of country clubs, yacht clubs and racquet clubs, and certain:

Lobbying groups and state asso-



·Homeowner groups; and •Religious organizations. Committee member Kim Brimer,

R-Arlington, said it's time to look at sacred cows: "...The public needs to realize that if we are going to tackle this major reform that the governor has put on the table, any and all funds

Service Station with plans to enroll in

tained with a dinner party Friday night

in honor of the occasion of the birth-

day of their daughter, Mrs. Walter

Tuesday by train for a meeting with a

group of LCRA directors in New York

moved into their lovely, new home on

Miss Margaret Seybold honored

their sister, Miss Betty Ann Seybold,

Saturday afternoon, Jan. 22, from 3 to

5 with a tea announcing her engage-

ment and approaching marriage to

hower, Jay, Dexter and Arthur An-

derson and Mr. & Mrs. Henry Sun-

derman, spent the weekend in Tem-

ple attending a conference...

Mrs. J.L. Adkins and children,

Robert Patterson Wilcox Jr....

Mr. & Mrs. O.L. Mills enter-

Sam K. Seymour Jr. left Austin

Mr. & Mrs. John Chumney have

Mrs. Charles H. Gillespie and

family in Las Vegas...

A&M College Monday...

Prairie Street...

At a later meeting, the panel concluded that it could raise about \$5

billion a year by taxing items now exempt from the sales and franchise taxes, including utilities, school lunches, manufacturing equipment, aviation fuel and advertising.

Only food, drugs and a few other goods would be exempt from sales tax. Also taxed would be services provided by physicians, attorneys, accountants, real estate brokers, barber and beauty services and freight hauling.

Committee chairman Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, said the committee was attempting to determine how much money would be raised if lawmakers chose to eliminate various exemptions. He said that the panel would make a decision later on which exemptions, if any, would be retained.

Insurance Rates on Internet

The Texas Department of Insurance announced a new service last week: an on-line guide that makes it easier to comparison-shop for auto Edmond Munford Jr. has reand home rates. signed his position with the Humble

It can be found on Internet home page http//www.tdi.state.tx.us. Many public libraries provide free Internet access. And, printed rate guides that will be ready later this month, can be ordered by calling 1-800-599-SHOP.

"Texans should shop as carefully for home and auto insurance as they do for any big-ticket item because rates can vary widely from one company to another," said Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

For example, for a Dallas driver, the premiums listed in the guide for minimum liability coverage required by law range from as little as \$291 a year to as much as \$1,932.

"The examples may not fit your home or auto exactly," Bomer said, "but they can provide a useful way to compare the range of premiums offered by different companies."

Senate Reconfirms Bomer Fay and Gaye Dodd, Lillian Isen-

The Texas Senate voted 30-0 to confirm Insurance Commissioner Bomer for a second two-year term.

On Feb. 11, Gov. George W. Bush announced Bomer's re-appointment to a term expiring Feb. 1, 1999. Mrs. E.A. Radack and son, Tom-

Bomer, a 61-year-old Democrat, served four two-year terms in the Texas House of Representatives, 1981 to 1985. Last year, Bush appointed him chairman of the Governor's Citizens Committee on Property Tax Reform.

Child Support Overhaul Sought

Rep. Leticia Van de Putte last week filed a bill that would create a new state commission to oversee child support, stripping the responsibility from the attorney general's office.

The commission would do a better

job of collecting billions of dollars in unpaid child support, said Van de Putte, D-San Antonio.

'If we didn't feel we were absopresent your bodies a living sacrifice, lutely forced against the wall, we wouldn't be doing it," she said.

But Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Attorney General Dan Morales, told The Dallas Morning News Van de Putte's bill is at best uninformed and at worst, politically motivated.

The bill has 28 sponsors: 11 Democrats and 17 Republicans.

Panel Eyes Affirmative Action

An informal, nine-member Senate committee is trying to come up with a plan that would reduce the importance of race, gender and ethnicity in state contracting and hiring programs.

Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, a committee member, said the group wants a race-neutral plan that makes programs available to persons "who are disadvantaged."

According to a report by the Austin American-Statesman, the committee is considering two bills to change affirmative action policies for state agencies and higher education institutions. One would govern contracting programs and the other would direct hiring and promotions.

Committee member Jeff Wentworth, R- San Antonio, said the current affirmative action program allows companies to bend the rules or gives preferential treatment to businesses that don't need a helping hand.

'It included all African American .. and all women," Wentworth told the American-Statesman. "If you were a women worth \$10 million, by law you were socially disadvantaged, and therefore qualify for affirmative action contracting programs."

"If you have to keep reminding yourself of a thing, perhaps it

— Christopher Morley

State looking at franchise tax exemptions

Comptroller John Sharp's office

ciations;

Civic groups;

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May 25, 1972

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Harold Thomas and Jay Ander-

Two youths were severely cut and last week... bruised when the car in which they were riding failed to negotiate a curve on Cat Spring Road at around 9 p.m Saturday. Kim Miller, son of Mr. & Mrs. Lee Miller of Altair, and Eliza Keeter, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Glen L. Locklier of Eagle Lake, were both taken to Eagle Lake Community Hospital. Keeter was released on Tuesday, but Miller remains in the hospital with severe cuts about the face and body...

Rice High School Class of 1972 will receive diplomas at commencement exercises to be held at the Rice gym at 8 p.m. this Thursday, the 25th, and an overflow crowd of parents and friends are expected to be in attendance. Valedictorian is John Moore; Salutatorian is Lauralee Turner...

Leon J. (Sonny) Spanihel of

Agriculture J. Phil Campbell. Taking Eagle Lake was re-elected to the posi- day from a two months' visit with her part in the program and dinner were tion of State Treasurer of the 34,500 Knights of Columbus in Texas at the annual state convention in Fort Worth

> Alan Zahradnick, son of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Zahradnick and a student at Sam Houston State University, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester...

Miss Ada Finney, daughter of Lee Bauer... Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lee Finney of Eagle Lake, became the bride of Joe Gunn III in a candlelight service in Colly Memorial Methodist Church Friday evening the fifth of May...

Mrs. Mary Selders announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Sandra Faye, to Eddie Lee Cloud, son of Alfred Cloud of Houston and Ruth Cloud of Eagle Lake. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 3, at six o'clock in the evening at Providence Baptist Church in Eagle Lake...

Mr. & Mrs. G.L. Henry of Rock Island, announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Diane, to William Jay Baker of Rock Island. The wedding is planned for Friday, June 9, at the Rock Island Baptist Church...

Miss Frances Schoellmann, my, will arrive Thursday from Shredaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ted Schoell- veport to visit with her parents, Mr. & mann of Nada, became the bride of Mrs. Fred G. Frnka, while Mr. Rad-Richard Coale Jr., son of Mr. & ack is in Houston at a Lane-Wells Co. Mrs. Richard Coale Sr. of San Anto- superintendent's conference... nio, in a pretty ceremony in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada at 3 p.m., Schulenburg Saturday...
May 13.

Mrs. J.C. Willis gave the devo-

Jan. 28, 1949

The eight directors named at the Eagle Lake Baseball Assoc. meeting last week were: C.W. Causey, Ed Causey, A.H. Dipple, R.B. Powell, Joe S. Reed Jr., R.F. Spanihel, H. Dowdy and G.E. Thomas Jr. ...

C.A. Hall arrived in Eagle Lake Southern Pacific Agent here, succeeding the late N.C. Ney...

King Cole, three-year-old bay quarter horse owned by Jim Clipson of Eagle Lake and trained by Nick Schultz of Columbus, will be shown at the Houston Fatstock Show again

Mrs. Jack Grieves and sons, Romans 12:1, 2 David and John, arrived home Satur-

tional program at a business meeting of the Presbyterian Women of the Church Tuesday afternoon in the Sunday School room at the church.

Mr. & Mrs. D. Shell visited in

Bible Verse of the Week

"I beseech you therefore, breth-Jan. 25th to assume his duties as ren, by the mercies of God, that ye holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Submitted by Leslie Risk

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