



The Eagle Lake Headlight reserves the right to reject, edit or omit editorial content and/or advertisement for any reason to conform to the paper's policy.

THE EAGLE LAKE HEADLIGHT

(USPS 163-760)
P.O. Box 67 — 220 East Main
(409) 234-5521
CITY OF EAGLE LAKE,
TEXAS 77434-0067
Published Weekly
Every Thursday

Produced By:

Carol Nelson • Lynda Appelt
Marilyn Mueller • Jeannine Fearing
Shirley Luedecke • Katherine Smith

ADVERTISING AND NEWS DEADLINE: 5 P.M. MONDAY

Subscription Rates

Colorado County (including Lissie and Egypt)\$12.00
Fayette, Lavaca, Wharton, Austin counties\$13.50
Other Texas Residents\$15.00
Outside of Texas\$16.50

Single Copy Price: 35-Cents
Second class postage paid
at Eagle Lake, Texas

Address Corrections
should be sent to P.O. Box 67,
Eagle Lake, Texas 77434-0067

Texas loses long-time political leader, Bullock

Hillsboro native Bob Bullock, Texas' 38th lieutenant governor, died of congestive heart failure June 18 at his home in Austin. He was 69.

Considered one of the outstanding Texas political leaders of the 20th century, Gov. Bullock often was compared with U.S. House Speaker Sam Rayburn and President Lyndon B. Johnson. He served as Texas comptroller of public accounts from 1975 to 1991, was elected lieutenant governor, and presided over the Texas Senate from Jan. 1999 to Jan. 1999.

He was demanding, compassionate and deeply motivated by his love for Texas. He ended every speech with "God Bless Texas." The same words were printed at the bottom of his official letterhead stationery.

Noted for his ability to build consensus among divisive political factions and to push crucial legislation,



State Capitol Highlights

By Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

Bullock's 42-year political career began in 1956, the year he was elected as a state representative.

He went on to serve on the Texas Historical Commission and the staff of Gov. Preston Smith. He served as assistant attorney general and secretary of state before serving as state comptroller and finally as lieutenant governor.

In failing health, he chose not to seek re-election in 1998 and left public office in Jan. 1999.

As comptroller, Bullock turned the office of the state's chief financial

officer of the state's chief financial officer into an effective agency. He pledged fair but aggressive audits and made statewide headlines with a long series of "raids" on businesses that had collected state taxes from customers and did not turn them in to the state.

His frequent and increasingly accurate forecasts on state finances allowed the Texas Legislature to do a better job of budgeting for state expenditures.

Bullock overhauled the ethics laws during his first term as lieutenant governor in effort to restore public confidence in state government. He created the Texas Performance Review for the state comptroller to analyze spending at state agencies and recommended cost-saving measures.

Bullock also:

- Developed a taxpayer bill of rights to guarantee that Texas taxpayers were treated with fairness, courtesy and common sense;

- Consolidated all environmental agencies into the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission;

- Pushed through a constitutional amendment requiring voter approval before a state personal income tax could be enacted and required the money to be spent on education, if voters were to approve such a tax;

- Led efforts to modernize the state tax system and worked on tort reform, health care and juvenile justice;

- Was instrumental in finding a legislative solution to get Texas out of federal court lawsuits involving prisons and mental health;

- Led legislative efforts to revamp the state's educational funding system;

- Ushered through a law creating the state's first comprehensive water conservation and management plan;

- Championed the effort to renovate the state cemetery; and

- Promoted establishing of a state museum in the Capitol Complex.

Lawmakers in the just-ended 76th Legislature voted to name the museum after him—a tribute to his work on the project.

Bullock was buried June 20 at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. Survivors include his wife, Jan Bullock, son, Robert D. "Bobby" Bullock, grandson, Grant Bullock Robinson, and daughter, Lindy Ward, all of Austin; stepdaughter, Kimberly Ader of Houston; and brother, Tom Bullock of Brenham. Two sisters, Sara Read and Louisa Bond, preceded him in death.

Announcement Shocks Group

On the morning of June 18, Fred Lowe of the *Lampasas Dispatch Record* delivered the sad news of Bullock's death to a crowd of nearly 300 Texas newspaper publishers and their families, in Galveston for Texas Press Association's 120th annual summer convention.

Though Bullock's health condition was well known, the announcement of his death was met with gasps and tears. Lowe delivered an impromptu prayer for Bullock and for the Bullock family.

A longtime friend of Texas newspapers, Bullock was a champion of open government and a believer in the public's "right to know." While comptroller, he twice fought off legislation attempting to place a retail tax on newspaper subscriptions.

Bible Verse of the Week

"If God be for us, who can be against us?"

—Romans 8:31

Submitted by
Neddy Phillips

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Dec. 11, 1973

Rice High School FFA members received a gift of a hog weighing scale from the Eagle Lake Evening Lions Club. Officer on hand to accept the scale were Daryl Hunt, vice-president; Willie Fitzgerald, chapter advisor and agricultural instructor and Clifton Hefner, president of the FFA Chapter. David Pavlicek presented the scale on behalf of the Lions Club...

Tracy McDougal, 13, year old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. C.T. McDougal of Eagle Lake is in the Methodist Hospital in Houston in critical condition from injuries received when she fell from a car late Friday night...

The Lake Crest Flower Shop in Eagle Lake will begin its annual Christmas Open House on Tuesday, Dec. 11 and Pansy Berger, owner, and Gene Linke, invite one and all to come by for a visit during the annual event...

Griff E. Thomas Jr. was honored by his wife with a delightful dinner Sunday, Dec. 9 at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Mr. Thomas will be eighty on the 13th of this month...

Miss Sara Hoshizaki, the bride-elect of Bill Price, was the honoree at a Tea Shower in the pretty home of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Griffith Saturday, Dec. 1, from 3:30 to 5:30 in the afternoon...

Doyle Waldrop flew to Mobile, Alabama, Sunday to attend funeral services for a brother-in-law, J.L. Russell, held Monday afternoon. Mr. Russell passes away Friday night following a lengthy illness...

Pvt. Raul G. Lopez, 20, son of Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph Lopez, of Eagle Lake, completed a 17-week automotive repair course at the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md....

Funeral Services were held Dec. 5 at 1:30 p.m. in the St. Luke Baptist

Church, Rev. W.M. Johnson officiating, for William Lemons...

Cyril Cernoch, 81, a lifelong resident of Nada Community passed away in Nightingale Hospital in El Campo at 7 p.m. last Saturday evening following a stroke earlier in the week...

Miss Theresa Theuman, bride-elect of Joe C. Laughlin, was honored on Saturday morning, Dec. 8, from 9:30 to 11:30 with a Rice Bag Party and Miscellaneous Shower in the home of Miss Rhonda Schilling...

Miss Janet Frnka, bride-elect of John J. Grigar III, was graciously complimented Friday evening, December seventh at seven o'clock in the lovely lakeside home of Dr. & Mrs. J.C. Laughlin when she was the honoree at a Kitchen Shower...

Private Abel Sosa, 20, son of Mr. & Mrs. Julio G. Sosa of Eagle Lake, participated in the U.S. Readiness Commands exercise Brave Shield VI in Western Texas and Southern New Mexico...

The Eagle Lake Council of the Knights of Columbus held its Christmas Party at the Didner Hall on Saturday night and the occasion was used for the presentation of "Knight of the Month" Awards for four members for their outstanding work in behalf of the local council. State Treasurer L.J. Spaniel announced the names of the recipients and each was presented a handsome certificate by Gene Jones, Grand Knight of the Eagle Lake Council. Recipients were Bennie Miller, Gary Glaizer, Albert Pustejovsky, and Phil Kana who accepted the award for his father V.J. (Jiggs) Kana.

Bennie Blair brought by this interesting item take from an El Paso newspaper: "The oldest farm in the United States is said to be near El Paso, Texas. It has yielded crops since 1540."

June 14, 1951

Installed as officers of the Eagle Lake Chapter 483 Order of Eastern Star Wednesday, June 6th in a beautiful and impressive candlelight ceremony were: Ruth Jenkins as Worthy Matron; J.C. Jenkins, Worthy Patron; Edith Duty, Associate Matron; Rose Lange, Secretary; Caroline Darby, Treasurer; Grace Towell, Conductress; Willie Hoeninghaus, Chaplain; Olive Reed, Marshal; Alice Belle Blair, Organist; Eloise Beyette, Adah; Zula Alford, Ruth; Mena Kveton, Esther; Louise Spalinger, Martha; Lula Seaholm, Warden; Helmer Seaholm, Sentinel...

A baby daughter, who has been named Dean Dee, was born June 7th to Mr. & Mrs. Jack Dixon...

When people woke up last Friday morning, they found the bandstand which had stood on the square for the past 50 years, gone. There was some talk of firing the night watchman for letting someone make off with it; others pondered the possibility of a freak cyclone dipping down into the city park and carrying it away. However the practical minded believe that it was razed in the middle of the night to spare the feelings of those who had a sentimental attachment to the bandstand on which a condemned sign had been hung...

We've heard jokes about how people are lost sometimes in the Pentagon Building in Washington for days. That may be stretching it a little, but we have some positive proof this week that people do get lost in it. From none other than one of Eagle Lake's own boys—Pvt. Carl Seaholm—who writes "Am finally learning to find my way in or out of the Pentagon. That is one big building and the first day I went through "shooting" (with his camera) for the day, I got lost for about an hour and a half trying to find my way out..."

Mrs. Esther Sunderman entertained at a party last Thursday evening for Mr. & Mrs. Gene Selph who were married this spring...

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Poole have just returned from a visit to Wyoming and Colorado...

Mrs. L.C. Wozencraft and Miss Marian Wozencraft left last Thursday for Phoenix, Arizona, for a visit with their son and brother, Wendel Wozencraft.

Did You Know...

Prior to the creation of the "A.D." designation, Roman calendar years were followed by A.U.C., from the Latin *ab urbe condita*, "from the founding of the city."

Thank You

For 27 years of support to the Eagle Lake Sewing Center.

To all who rented tuxedos, purchased sewing machines, fabrics and/or notions and everyone we did sewing and alterations for...

THANK YOU!

It takes guts for people to get off welfare.

To learn real skills and land real jobs. That's why companies are hiring off welfare. Because when they do, they discover workers who are determined to prove themselves, and are actually motivated to replace a welfare check with a paycheck. To learn how your company can benefit by hiring someone with the persistence to solve their own problems,

call The Welfare to Work Partnership at 1-888-USA-JOB1.

Or visit our website at www.welfaretowork.org.

Welfare to Work. It works.

EAGLE LAKE REHABILITATION SERVICES

Physical Therapy • Health & Fitness • Home Health

The Patient's First Choice in Rehabilitation Care

ALL PHYSICIAN REFERRALS WELCOME - WE FILE INSURANCE

"A Complete Family Wellness Center"

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

TREADMILLS • BIKES • STAIRCLIMBERS
SELECTIVE RESISTIVE EQUIPMENT

Patients Choosing Eagle Lake Rehabilitation
For Their Physical Therapy Needs Receive A
Complimentary Health & Fitness Membership!



Open Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

409-234-7388

Please Call For More
Information

720 S. McCarty • Eagle Lake

Pharmacy & Your Health

EAGLE LAKE DRUGSTORE

Steve K. Balas, RPh

702 South McCarty • Eagle Lake • 234-2502

• Patient Counseling • We Accept Master Card, VISA, Discover & American Express • Insurance Plans: Blue Cross, NPA, PCS, Pro-Serve, Sanus, PAID, Texas Medicaid

24 Hour Emergency Phone: 234-3834

Diabetics May Benefit from Low-Dose Aspirin

The leading cause of death in persons with diabetes is heart disease. For this reason, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) is continuing to emphasize the need for daily low-dose aspirin as a preventative measure for most adults with diabetes.

In the ADA's 1999 Clinical Practice Recommendations is the daily use of 81 to 325 mg of enteric coated aspirin. Daily aspirin is advised for persons with diabetes over the age of 30 who already have heart disease. In addition diabetics who have any risk factors for heart disease should take aspirin. Risk factors include smoking, obesity, high cholesterol levels, a history of high blood pressure, or a family history of heart disease.

Low doses of aspirin work by inhibiting the enzyme which is necessary to make a compound called thromboxane. In addition, low doses of aspirin usually are not associated with increased risk of damage to the lining of the gastrointestinal tract. However, persons who have a history of bleeding from gastric ulcers, are allergic to aspirin, or have active liver disease should use aspirin products with caution. Individuals who take blood thinners should be monitored for blood clotting activity while taking aspirin.

Call Crime Stoppers • 234-5555 • It Pays Rewards