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on a quarterback throwback from Spears on a third-and-nine.

Defensively, the Raiders stuffed the Bellville running game. Brahma full-back Harold Runnels came into the contest averaging 173 yards a game. The "D Unit" held Runnels to 60 yards on 18 carries and one touchdown. The Raiders showed signs of being vulnerable to a potent Brahma passing game. Bellville had pass completions of 85, 77 and 46 yards.

Roark added, "We actually played pretty good defense most of the night. We just gave up too many big plays and had three or four busted secondary coverages. But you have to give them (Bellville) credit. They're a super passing team with three great receivers and an excellent offensive line. This game though, will help us get better later in the year."

Junior linebackers Joe Cooper and Robert Shaw each had 13 tackles. Junior tackle Donovan King added nine tackles. Junior cornerback Jeramie Hemphill had eight tackles, including three coming on special teams.

Senior free-safety Derland Sanford added seven tackles, and Spears tallied six as well.

The Raiders entered the contest as the 7th ranked team in Texas in 3A. They must regroup as they enjoy a week off to heal any injuries, bumps and bruises. They'll return to action again next Friday as they begin District 28-3A play against the Palacios Sharks here at 7:30 p.m.

The Gatorade All-Around Player of the Game award was given to Charles Huffman. Charles leads the district in rushing and scoring with 763 yards and 11 touchdowns in five games. Spears is second in rushing and scoring with 656 yards and nine touchdowns. Spears leads the area with an average of 10.8 yard per carry and also leads the area with five interceptions on defense.

Defensive Player of the Game award went to Robert Shaw and his team-high 13 tackles.

Special Teams Player of the Game went to Jeramie Hemphill, who continues to improve weekly.

The Raiders are averaging 426 yards of offense a game and scoring an average of 41 points going into district loop play.

They're giving up 194 yards a game and 16 points a contest.

Rice is still considered the district favorite, with Wharton, Edna and Sweeny expected to compete for play-

JV

to make the score 30-6 at halftime.

The third quarter saw scoring runs of 18 yards by Deshaune Fuller and 28 yards by Jaylon Pettus to make the score 43-14 after three.

The fourth quarter had Brian Williams scoring from 51 yards out and Jake Staff ending the game with an interception of a Brahma pass.

The offensive line is playing real well, making holes and creating lanes for the backs to hit. The offensive line is made up of Curtis Williams, Hunter

off spots as well.

Get behind the Raiders and cheer them to victory as they begin their "real" season in two weeks versus Palacios.

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Smith, Ryan New, Trent Fields and Robert Salinas.

Totals for the game were: Bellville, 140 total yards; Rice, 302 total yards.

Individually, Brian Williams had three rushes for 95 yards; Jaylon Pettus, 12 for 87 yards; Derrick Frazier, five for 42 yards; Deshaune Fuller, 3 for 37 yards; and, Luke Shimek 4 for 14 yards.

The JV Raiders are off this week before starting 28-AAA play next week against Palacios at home Thursday, Oct. 9th.

8th Grade Raiders win one, lose one to start season

By Coach Bennie Machac

The Raider 8th grade football team started the season with a win and a loss.

Thursday, Sept. 11, the 8th grade Raiders defeated Needville 22-0.

Jasmin Hemphill scored the first touchdown on a pitch from Taylor Cook.

Leading the blocking were Austin Moore, Adam Shimek, Marcus Hernandez and Jeremy Gonzales.

Derrell Stevenson ran the extra point in for two, led by Rogelio Montiel and Francisco Hernandez.

Stevenson also scored the second touchdown on another pitch from Cook.

Cook then scored the two-point conversion behind a good block from Clayton Watz.

The third touchdown was on a run by Anthony Banks. The extra point was no good.

Defensive leaders were Montiel and Gonzales.

Peyton Arrison and Dustin Soto each had an interception.

Thursday, Sept. 18, the Raiders lost to Columbus.

The offense moved the ball but was

unable to score.

Cook completed four passes, three to Trey Staff and one to Soto.

Arrison had another interception in this game.

FFA attends convention

By Trent Kucherka

Rice FFA Reporter

July 8-11, the Rice FFA attended the Texas State FFA Convention in Houston. Attending were Jesse Little, Chad Mahalite, James Jurica, Mandy Staff, Trent Kucherka, Andrew Varley and Tiffany Varley.

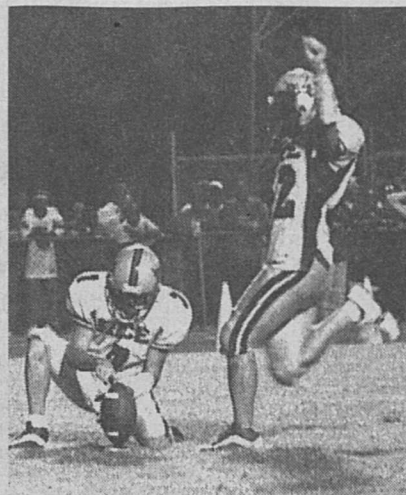
At the convention A. Varley and Little received the Lone Star Degree. Mahalite received the State Proficiency Award for Diversified Crop Production.

The State FFA hosted a dance on the 11th with a DJ who played all sorts of music. At the Reliant Arena, where the FFA Convention was held, they had many booths. Colleges and different fundraising companies were two of the many booths at the convention.

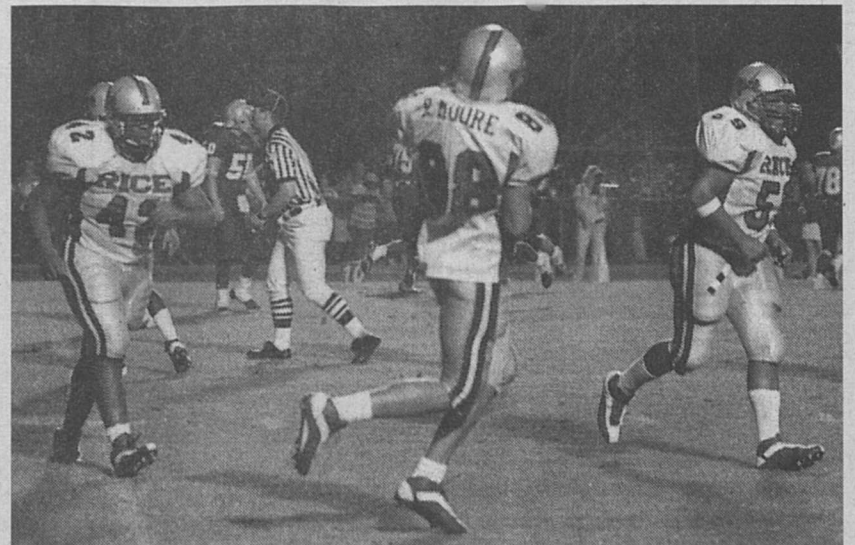
We would like to thank our ag teachers (Mr. Williams, Mrs. Michalcik and Mr. Benson) for taking time out of their summer to take us to the convention. A good time was had by all.

We have scheduled our meetings for the 2003-04 school year. All of these meetings take place at 6:30 p.m. in the high school commons: Oct. 6, Nov. 30, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 1 and May 3.

April 26 we're going to hold the annual FFA banquet. I'll try to keep everyone up to date with the Rice FFA.



Not only has junior Robert Shaw taken over the duties of PAT kicks and kick-offs, he was the team-leader last Friday with 13 tackles. His holder in this picture was Steven Moore. Headlight Photos



Rice senior outside linebacker Rusty Moore, #88, recovered a fumble on the two-yard line, setting up a touchdown for Michael Spears at 2:25 in the second quarter. Pictured flanking Moore are #42, Jasmine Smith, and #59, Joe Cooper.

Homecoming Week

By Tyler Kloss, Raider Review Staff

Rice High School recently celebrated another homecoming. The theme for the week was Spotlight on the Raiders, which had the halls decorated in Hollywood-style. The week was jam packed with student activities.

There were dress up days and this year's first pep rally. Many students dressed up to show their support for the Raiders, some making a great effort to win every day.

Monday was Crazy Hair Day, with Keith Kallina taking home the prize. Tuesday was 70s day, which resulted in a tie between Jeramie Hemphill and Paul Barrow.

Wednesday hosted Sloppy Day, which was won by Anthony Johnson. On Thursday, students dressed up for Nerd Day, which ended up in another tie between Miguel Arellano and Der-

rick Frazier. Friday was Movie Star Day. Students dressed up as their favorite movie star. Gary McTear received top honors. The Overall Best Dressed award went to Jayson Batiste who participated every day.

It wouldn't be homecoming week without the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen. The nominees for King were Brandon Jenkins, Cleve Scott, Steven Moore, Russell Hadley, Ed Thomas, Michael Spears and James Ochoa. Jenkins was crowned King during the pep rally on Friday.

The pep rally also featured a talk from former student and football player, Cleve Scott Sr.

The nominees for Homecoming Queen were Elizabeth Tapia, Jessica Allmond, Amanda Johnson, Valeen Soliz and Morgan Perry. Elizabeth Tapia

won and was crowned at halftime of Friday's football game.

Homecoming week ended on a good note with the Raiders beating the Columbus Cardinals 14-0.

Digging Texian History

Uncovering the story of San Felipe

It was the last day of March during the dark days of the 1836 Texas Revolution. The Alamo had fallen; Fannin's troops at Goliad had been massacred; the town of Gonzales abandoned and burned. As Sam Houston's Army retreated eastward through the Texian capital of San Felipe de Austin, he ordered the entire town burned to the ground to prevent its capture by Mexican Forces. In a single day, the flourishing community that settlers had worked for fifteen years to build was reduced to rubble and ashes.

The Texians—as the early settlers called themselves—later won their independence through the Battle of San Jacinto. Yet the capital of San Felipe de Austin was a casualty of the Revolution, never regaining the prominence it had before the war. For more than 165 years, the remnants of the town that Austin created lay buried in the Austin County soil.

Saturday, Oct. 4, modern-day Texians will have the opportunity to visit the historic town site of San Felipe de Austin. Between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., a free Archeology Field Day will be offered to the public.

Excavations will be ongoing into 2004. For more information, or to volunteer or contribute funding, please call the Ft. Bend Museum at 281-342-1256.



USDA holds workshops

The USDA held two successful workshops here Tuesday, Sept. 16, at City Hall. Many area residents gained valuable information and received applications for home improvement/renovation and new home purchase.

If you were unable to attend the workshops, you can still receive information on the programs by calling City Hall. The mayor will assist you. Please leave your name and contact telephone number.

Pictured above, in back, from left, are Mayor Rene Cooper-Scott and Councilman Dave Curry. In front are Ms. J. Douglas, Eagle Lake resident, and USDA Representatives Betty Soto and Jimmy Kolodziej.

Photo Courtesy of Ron Holland

Rose elected TEC secretary-treasurer

Mark Rose, manager/CEO of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, was elected secretary-treasurer of the board of directors of Texas Electric Cooperative (TEC) Inc. last month at TEC's 63rd Annual Membership Meeting in Austin. TEC is a statewide service organization of 75 electric cooperatives in Texas.

"I am honored that my peers have asked me to serve as secretary-treasurer of the TEC board," Rose said. "I will make very effort to help TEC maintain its good working relationship with its member cooperatives. The goal of both TEC and Bluebonnet EC is to serve our customers to the best of our ability."

Rose has served as a chief executive in both the public and private sector and was a member of the Austin City Council. He came to Bluebonnet

EC from Public Strategies Inc., an international public affairs consulting firm where he was CEO.

From 1990 to 1999, Rose was general manager/CEO of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA), a conservation and reclamation district providing electric service to more than one million Texans in all or part of 53 Texas counties. Under Rose's leadership, LCRA became one of the nation's best wholesale utilities, as recognized by both Standard & Poor's and Fitch.

Rose was elected to the Austin City Council in 1983 and re-elected in 1987. He received the 1994 James D. Donovan Individual Achievement Award from the American Public Power Association. He was appointed adjunct professor to the LBJ School of Public Affairs and to the Governor's Select Committee on the Colorado River. He also serves as president of the Bastrop ISD board of trustees.

Bluebonnet EC owns 10,733 miles of energized line, including 93 miles of underground line. The co-op has more than 69,000 connected meters and serves more than 55,000 members in Bastrop, Caldwell, Lee, Burleson, Washington, Travis, Hays, Guadalupe, Williamson, Fayette, Colorado, Austin, Milam and Gonzales Counties.

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now celebrated with private confessions after 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer.

Natividad ha cambiado el horario de las Misas Dominicales

Para celebrar con mas unidad, la Parroquia de la Natividad ha reducido el numero de las misas en domingo de tres a dos. Ahora la Eucaristia dominical se está celebrado a las 8 a.m. en Español y a las 10 a.m. en Inglés. No hay una misa en sábado por la tarde.

Tambien el Sacramento de Penitencia se celebra con confesiones privadas despues la Oración de la Tarde a las 6 p.m. en los miércoles.



Foot Facts



By Dr. Eric Tepper, Podiatrist

ONE SHORT TOE

When one of the five long bones in the foot (metatarsals) is abnormally short, a shorter-than-normal toe results. This condition, called brachymetatarsia, most often affects the fourth toe. Several painful complications can arise from brachymetatarsia. One complication is that the foot functions as if the short toe doesn't exist at all, which disrupts the normal walking pattern. Both adjoining toes bear extra weight because the shorter toe cannot function in the normal transfer of weight from smaller to larger toes. In addition, the shorter toe tends to drift upwards and wearing shoes can become painful. Brachymetatarsia typically occurs when a genetic condition or foot injury prompts early closure of the metatarsal growth plate, preventing further growth.

The human foot is an amazing marvel. When its complex parts aren't working together properly to allow you to walk in comfort, it's time to seek a podiatrist's attention for diagnosis and treatment. As a physician who specializes in foot care for men, women, and children, a podiatrist's extensive training provides the experience to treat a full range of foot and ankle disorders. Have your feet got you down? Call us at 234-5571, conveniently located at Rice Medical Center. Office hours are on Tuesdays.

P.S. Brachymetapody is defined as having more than one abnormally short metatarsal.

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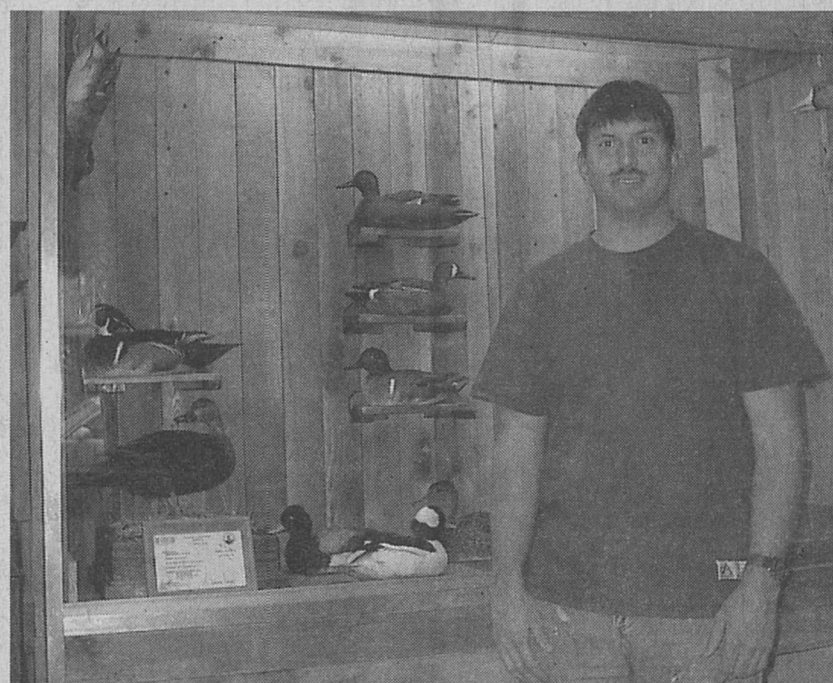
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Bobby Wied of B&S Taxidermy didn't forget about you hunters. He has donated a certificate for \$100 off a duck mount to the Study Club Auction. He's shown in front of some of his great work.

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