

Opinion Here's Ours...On Rockland How About Yours?

The question of whether the Rockland Lake and Dam Project will eventually be built is not a real question. The construction of the largest of Texas' low remaining proposed major high quality water reservoirs is inevitable.

In light of the ever increasing demand of Texas' increasing population for a limited amount of high quality water, the real question is: When will Rockland Dam be built and who will build it? THE TYLER COUNTY BOOSTER believes that the time is NOW and that the U.S. Congress through the Army Corps of Engineers is who should build it with the federal government shouldering an appropriate part of the financial burden in completing this project.

Continually postponing the start of construction of this new 35 year old major water resource will not in the end decrease the chances that Lake Rockland will be built. Further postponements will however result in escalation of the now expensive \$700 million construction costs toward what quickly becomes a multi-billion dollar project. Remember, that the cost of Lake Rockland will be paid back by us and our children in the form of the future value of Lake Rockland's water.

Further postponements also will act to extend to future generations the eventual pain-in-loss of property and relocation; some heritage for present residents to leave their children.

Among the advantages of having Congress, through the Corps of Engineers, construct Lake Rockland, is the mandated safeguards to the environment, and, to surveying and preserving the historical heritage of the area in and around the future lake which comes automatically with Corps projects.

Both in terms of recreational development of a major new camping, swimming, fishing, and boating lake, as source of future recreational and commercial development for the area, and in terms of the economic

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PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS...From left to right John Coker, president of the Chamber of Commerce, Clinton Currie, Outstanding Citizen Award Winner, Wyatt Bell, Chamber Vice President and Col. Robert Keenan of the U.S. Corps of Engineers at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet held Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Woodville Inn



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Gregory Seeks Clerk Post

I, Donceo Langham Gregory, would like to announce my candidacy for County Clerk of Tyler County. I am presently employed by the County Clerk's Office, where I have at most 10 years experience, five of which as Chief Deputy. In my present position, my duties are bookkeeper and probate clerk. Among other duties of the office, I work closely with the County Clerk in



DONCEO GREGORY office management, taking the minutes of the Commissioners Court, and administering Special and General elections. I have been trained to perform the duties of the County Clerk in her absence. I have been fortunate to attend clerk's seminars to keep abreast of current and changing laws affecting the functions of the office of County Clerk.

In the past, I served as part-time secretary to the Board of Directors of the Tyler County Appraisal District, when the district was implemented in 1980.

I am 27 years old, born in Tyler County. I was raised in Warren, by my parents, Ronald and Alice Langham, and now reside in Fred, Texas. I am married to Michael E. Gregory, a foreman at Kirby Forest Industries.

As a my religious and civic activities, I have been a member of the Sunday School teachers for 4 years. I have been a member of the Woodville Baptist & First

sional Women's Club for 2 1/2 years and am presently serving as president. The Business & Professional Women's Club has honored me with the "Young Career Woman" award in 1984 and in 1985 where I participated in the Y.C.W. Speaker off of District 14



JACK BURNS

Burns In Race

I would like to take this opportunity to announce my candidacy for the office of Justice of the Peace Precinct One of Tyler County.

This is the people's court and I feel that I have the ability to listen, understand people and to judge each individual fairly and also to understand the letter of the law and to carry forth this in an impartial manner.

My past duties as a law enforcement officer with the Tyler County Sheriff's Department and my many years as an independent business man dealing with the general public enhances my ability to perform the duties of the office of Justice of the Peace.

I feel it is imperative to have a change in the office of Justice of the Peace Precinct One of Tyler County.

Following is a partial listing of some of the criteria of the Justice office I feel is greatly needed:

(a) Confidentiality of personal problems discussed in the Justice office. This office is not to be used as a gossip center.

(b) Assessment of penalty. The Justice office is not designed to be a money-making institution. The fine is to be meted out according to the offense. I certainly do not want to be judged by a judge thinking primarily of making money for the county.

(c) Being able to listen

Currie, Allison Receive Honors

By Mary McGowan

"Our main goal is for every person in Tyler County to have an opportunity to work in Tyler County," John Coker, president of the Chamber of Commerce, told the largest crowd ever to attend a Chamber of Commerce Banquet. His remarks were describing this year's Banquet theme of "Homecoming '86", which was held Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Woodville Inn.

Coker, who has assumed the duties of Chamber president for the second year in a row, reported 24 new members to the Chamber many of whom were new businesses which opened in Tyler County during 1985.

The "Outstanding Citizen's Award" to 1985 was presented to Clinton Currie of Woodville. Among his many involvements in Tyler County activities are the Lion's Club Rodeo Association Chairman and organizer of the gas scramble, the Tyler County Fair of which he has been member since its beginning. He also obtained and cleared the land for the Tyler County Four-H and FFA rodeo arena, is a Dogwood Festival and Western Weekend committee member and organized county programs providing opportunities for fish to be delivered into the county from private hatcheries. This committee has sponsored

educational programs such as catfish processing workshops, tours, et. "But there is one lesson he has never learned. The bottom of a fish box will eventually rust out," says Coker, adding the people of Chasewood Lake appreciated Currie's efforts to raise fish in that

lake. In 1985 he was appointed to represent the Woodville School Board as a member of the Tax Appraisal Board. "I'd like to thank you for this honor," Currie said as he accepted the award. He added, "my family has been behind me all the way, I couldn't have done all

these jobs and different things without them."

Also recognized post humously for his numerous accomplishments with the Distinguished Services Award was Harold Eugene Allison Sr. Allison was born in Tyler County on July 29, 1919 and died March 25, 1985. He was

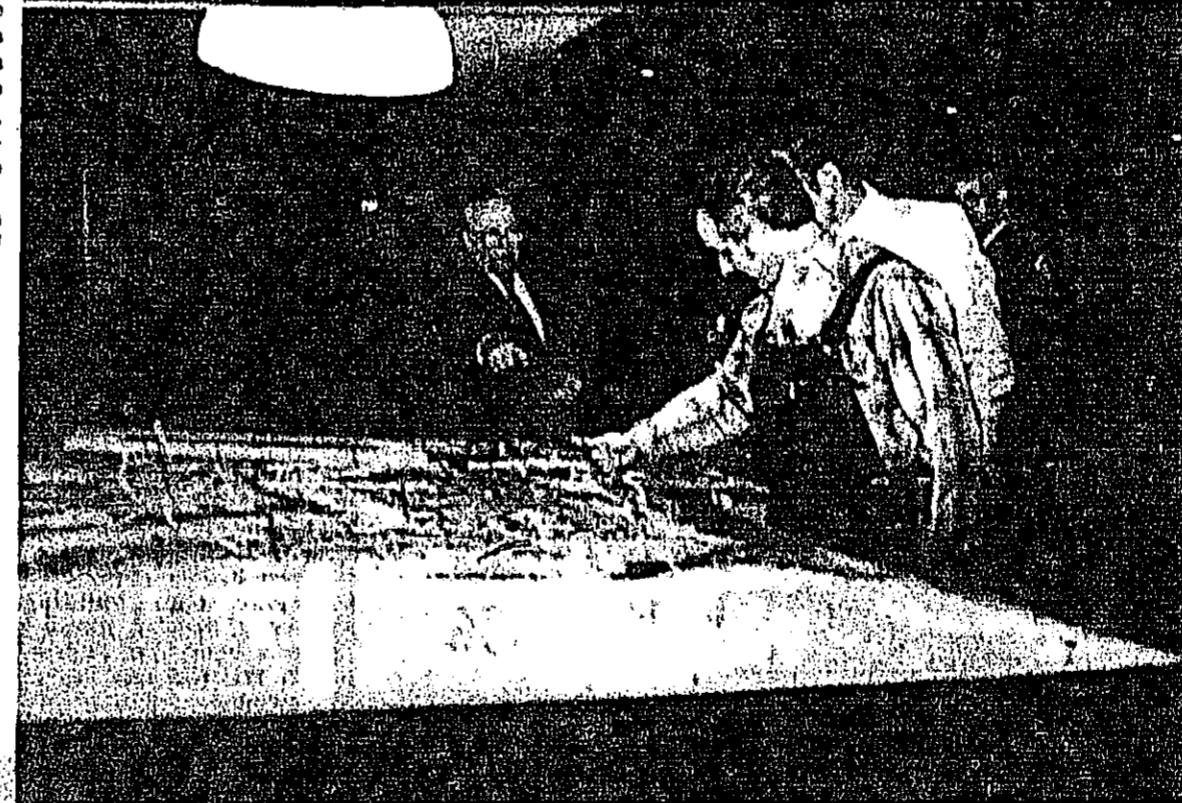
the grandson of Lem Caser Barclay Allison and the great grandson of James Barclay, reportedly the first Indian Agent for Tyler County. "It was his concern for others that caused people to respect him," Coker said of Allison.

Mrs. Allison accepted the award for

her late husband saying "I am very proud to accept this on behalf of Harold's family. It is certainly an honor to be a recipient of this award and we do appreciate your remembering him in this way."

Plaques were also distributed to the outgoing directors of the Chamber in recognition of the services they have performed for Tyler County. These were Roy Bolding, Dr. Jim Brown, Louise Faircloth, Charles Spurlock and Jack Blakeney. However Blakeney will have to wait awhile for his plaque as Coker explained, "Jackie, would you believe we love you, but we didn't get you a plaque?" adding "but we will get you one."

Coker also thanked Harry Reiter and the Woodville Inn for the fine job they did on the meal and accommodations for the Banquet and Connie Clark for providing the flower arrangements.



ROCKLAND LAKE MODEL—On display Thursday at the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Hearing on the Lake Rockland project will be a plaster-of-paris model of the proposed 22-mile-long by 3 mile-wide water impoundment. Shown above last Thursday are LNVA Director F. M. Archer (left) and JACOB BLAKENEY. The hearing is set for 7 p.m. Thursday Jan. 30.

Blue Ribbon

Robert Wycho of Colmesneil won the Blue Ribbon for his exhibit of a life-size elephant's head at the Southeast Texas Wood Carver's Show in Boatman Jan. 25 and 26.

Wycho's entry was produced from the trunk of a red oak tree. He began by using a chain saw to get the basic design, then finished up with mallet and chisel.

The first place prize took six months to complete. The carving was a commissioned assignment and will be shipped to Fearland, where it will hang in the square hallway. Wycho must construct a special frame on which to mount the head so it weighs about 250 pounds.

"So close he will begin his next project soon."

City Eyes Water Needs

By Mary McGowan

A Public Hearing will be conducted between City Council members and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer Jan. 30 at 4 p.m. in City Hall.

The special Thursday afternoon meeting was called to discuss future water supply needs for Woodville.

According to Mayor John Gilchrist, "the city and county of setting water out of Dam B" will be investigated.

Gilchrist, who says "This is my baby" wants to get the water rights now in order to be assured of a sufficient source of water in the next century.

The Mayor is concerned that area water supplies may not be ample enough to provide for the next generation of Woodville residents and would like to take steps now to make sure that doesn't happen.

Also on the agenda, contract with Whitney in Executive Session the

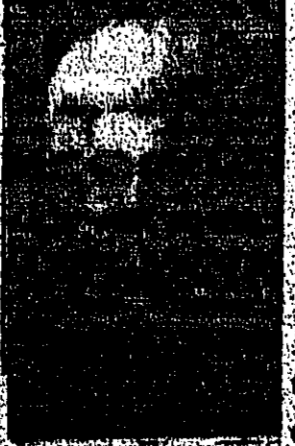
Festival 43rd Soon

The 1986 Tyler County Dogwood Festival is already making plans for the 43rd annual festival.

Joe Jordan, Western Weekend Director has announced a meeting for trailblazers and interested parties on Friday, February 21, 1986. The meeting will be held in the Commun-

Stanford Seeks Pct. 1

Ruth Stanford has filed for Precinct 1. A former Tyler County, she says she's returning home to run for office.



RUTH STANFORD

Bulldogs Attack Chester

The Colmesneil Bulldogs played two of their better games of the season last week by beating Sabine Pass 44-23 and winning from Chester 30-16 on Friday night.



Colmesneil hit 8 of 21 free shots and Chester made 4 of 10.

Chester Defeats Spurger

The Chester girls played Spurger at home on Tuesday, Jan. 21 and defeated them 37 to 43.



HUCK THAT SHOT! Dewayne Broussard #29 hit a jumper against Chester on Thursday Friday night.

Woodville Semester A Honor Roll

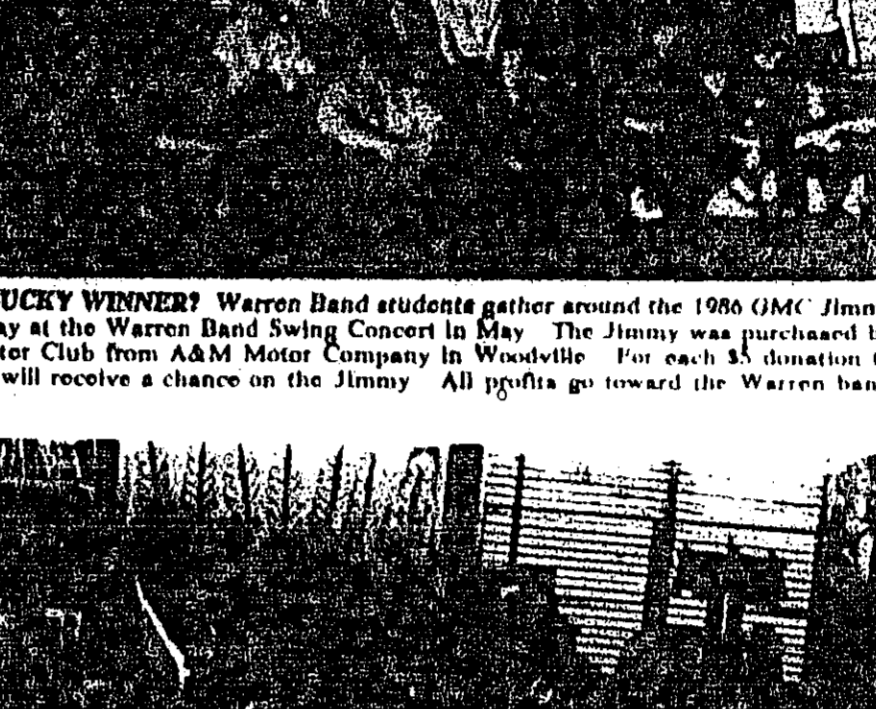
9th GRADE: Tammy Fort, Anjelita Henninger, Reed Jinnette.

Woodville 3rd 6 Weeks Honor Roll

All A's: Janet Allino, Anjie Doolittle, Yvonne Capito, Valerio Celestino, Valerie Crawford, Lisa Patrolito, Troy Ford, Randall Gibson, Andy Hollman, Marlin Houston, Leale Jones, John Kelly, Oleta Kirt, Anita Kinon, Jennifer Knight, Pam McCollister, Dorca Pore, Regina Parham, Jason Pool, Becky Ross, Tommy Scroggins, Sherry Sepulvado, Risa Winters, Rachael Wise.

Warrior Whoop

Things are starting to get back to normal at Warren High. Normal as over and over again.



Warrior Whoop. The Warren Band members practiced all day and then gave an evening concert.

Eagles Claw San Augustine

The Woodville Eagles played San Augustine at home on Thursday, Jan. 21, and squeezed out an 88 to 87 victory.

Woodville 79 Hemphill 61

Woodville played Hemphill at home Friday night and defeated them for the second time this year.

Colmesneil Swamps Chester

The Lady Bulldogs played Colmesneil at home Friday night and defeated them for the second time this year.

Woodville Bluebonnet Readers

One hundred and fifty-three eligible 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students voted for their favorite book on the 1985-86 Bluebonnet Book list.

County 4H Meeting Held

The January 4th meeting was held Tuesday night with 12 members attending.

Chester Spurger

Chester scored a 37-43 victory over Spurger on Tuesday night.

Pirates Beat Sabine Pass

Spruger boys played Sabine Pass on Friday and won the game 88 to 87 in overtime.

Spurger Girls Defeat Sabine Pass

The Spurger girls got back in the win column on Friday night with a 35-31 victory over Sabine Pass.

Chester Elementary A&B Honor Roll

Casey Whitworth, David Butcher, Bryan Daniel, Rebecca Gray, Paul Hunkler, Connie McQueen.

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Kirbyville Wreps Warren

Kirbyville won the Kirbyville Warren basketball game on Friday night.

Buna 73 Warren 54

Warren girls played Buna on Friday and were defeated 73 to 54.

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Woodville Menu

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Kirbyville 61 Warren 34

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Bulldogs Chew Sabine Pass

Colmesneil Bulldogs went to Sabine Pass Friday night and defeated them 74-56.

Sabine Pass 19, Colmesneil 55

The Colmesneil girls played Sabine Pass on Friday night and won the game 55 to 19.

Woodville JV Wins

The strong Eagle Sedrick Mitchell made 10 of 13 free throws in that period.

House Bill 72 Slams Lady Eagles

The new House Bill 72, which allows a state representative to be elected to the legislature.

Woodville Menu

- Monday: Barbeque On a Bun, Tater Tots w/ Cabbage, Tossed Salad w/ Dressing, Chocolate Brownie. Tuesday: Macaroni w/ Cheese, Biscuits w/ Peas, Peaches, Corn Bread, Milk. Wednesday: Steak Fingers w/ Cactus, Rice w/ Gravy, Green Beans w/ Tomato, Hot Rolls, Milk.

Colmesneil Menu

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The Young Eagles of the Woodville JV won the game 63 to 37.

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Bulldog Grows

Well, the second semester is underway. The first week is over, and students are back to the books again.

Eagles Nest

The DICA Dance Team was a starting success. Mr. T and Mrs. T were terrific.

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Beta Club Talent Show

The Colmesneil Beta Club will have their talent show on Thursday, January 30.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC MEETING

FOR ROCKLAND LAKE, NECHES RIVER BASIN, TEXAS



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**

Fort Worth District

WHERE: Kirby High School Auditorium
425 North Charlton Street
Woodville, Texas

WHEN: Thursday, January 30, 1986, 7:00 p.m.

WHAT The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is holding a public meeting to discuss water and related problems in the Neches River Basin.

WHY The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers would like to inform the public of the past history of Rockland Lake and the future plans for the study. We would like to have public input regarding water resource related needs and problems in the Neches River Basin.

WHO All persons who are interested in water problems in the Neches River Basin are urged to attend and make their wishes known.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

- Take the time in your busy schedule to look over the enclosed letter and fact sheet.
- Exchange your ideas with others who might be interested in the study.
- Come out to the meeting.
- Tell us of your thoughts; give your comments, either orally or in writing.
- Encourage others to participate, also.

If you cannot attend, but have questions or would like to express your feelings or concerns, you may contact:

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