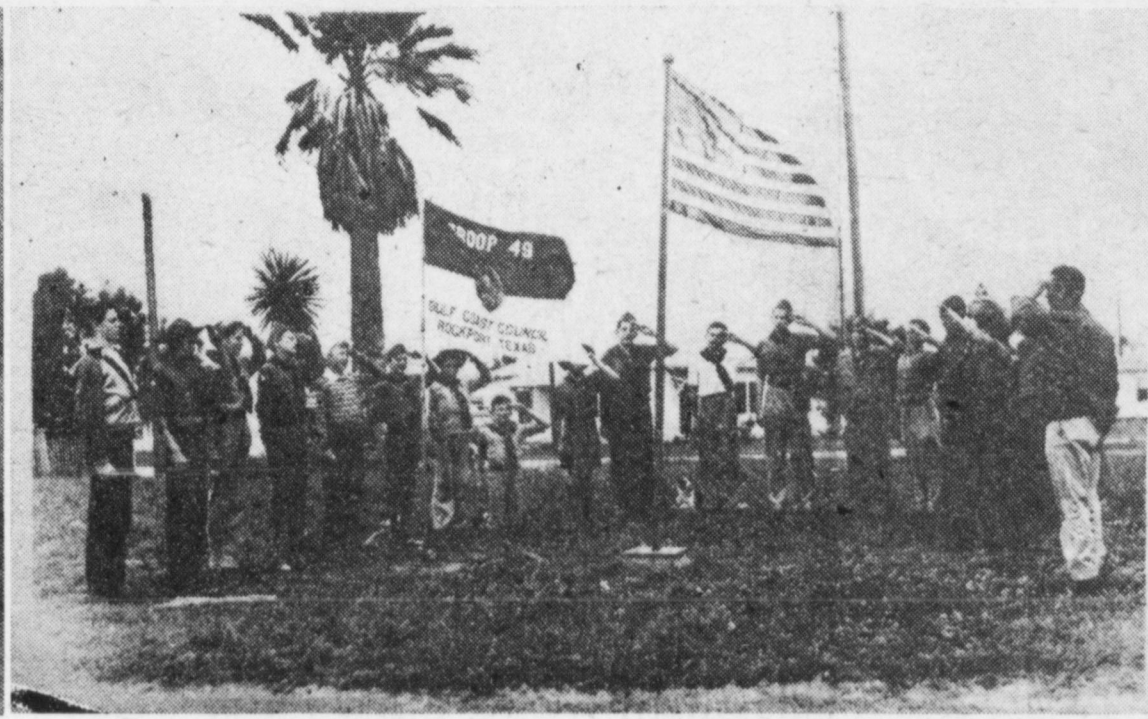


## New Grand Jury Holds Short Session; Finds No Bills

### Troop 49 Has Busy Time During National Boy Scout Week



Rockport Scouts carried out the observance of National Boy Scout week here with a full program that kept the boys active and out in front publicly. On Saturday they set up a model camp near the basin, cooked a meal and gave other public demonstrations of the results of their training. Pictured at left is David Herring showing the boys how to bake bread without a stove. This demonstration completed the requirements for a Pioneering merit badge for the scout. In the picture are (front row sitting) Bobby Landrum, David Herring, John Cron, Travis Smith, Theodore Dupnik. Back row, Chicken Evans, John Albert Ratliff, Glenn Owens, Tim Haynes, Frederick Close, Woody Hunt. Scouts are loyal to the flag—Troop 49 is shown in center picture repeating the Pledge of Allegiance. The flag and its meaning is featured throughout scout training. From left to right are David Herring, Star Scout; Chicken Evans, Tenderfoot; Tim Haynes, Tenderfoot; Jim Morrison, Second Class; Billy Askew, Tenderfoot; John Cron, Second Class; Woody Hunt, Tenderfoot; Cecil Cole, recruit, (kneeling); Travis Smith, Second Class; John Albert Ratliff, Second Class; Sammy James, Second Class; Frederick Close, Second Class; Jack Blackwell, Second Class; Theodore Dupnik, Tenderfoot; Bobby Landrum, Second Class; Bob Morrison, Second Class; Elroy Pharr, Tenderfoot; Glenn Owens, Tenderfoot; and Rev. Frank Walker, Scout Master. First Aid Team in action is in picture at right. The Boy Scout Motto is to "Be Prepared" and this motto is not forgotten when it comes to First Aid. Scout training on this subject is thorough. Here a 'patient' has a variety of injuries to demonstrate several techniques at once. Jack Blackwell is applying a head bandage, Tim Haynes is assisting, John Cron has applied splints to a broken arm, Bob Morrison is applying a knee bandage, and Jim Morrison is applying an ankle bandage. The patient is Woody Hunt.

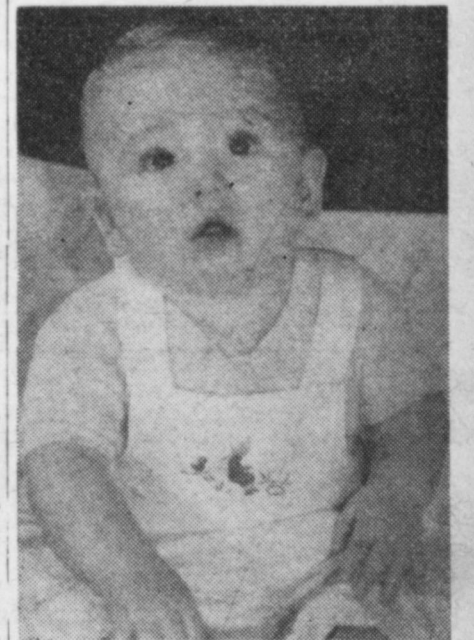
### Petit Jury Ordered For Next Monday

#### Little Activity Marks Opening District Court Session

First week of the February session of district court brought little activity at the court house. A new grand jury empaneled by Judge W. G. Gayle on Monday, met for a brief session and adjourned without reporting any new bills of indictment. Three divorces were granted during the first week and a few minor civil cases were disposed of. Following are the divorce cases: Blanch Edna Manen vs. John H. Manen, divorce granted. W. B. Stanley vs. Nola M. Stanley, divorce granted. Leon McGowan vs. Virginia McGowan, divorce granted. A civil suit, Traders and General Insurance Company vs. Edric F. Deason has been set for trial Monday, a petit jury panel has been ordered for that date. Those summoned for jury service are as follows:

Burrell T. Miller, Ira McShan, Milton Mundine, M. H. Davis, Somer Smith, D. E. Rounds, George Nava, Wm. P. Hoover, J. D. Odums, O. D. Little, Julius H. Malchor, L. E. Sontag, John W. Haynes, V. C. Day, C. P. Williams, S. B. Ince, Oscar Weber, Clyde Townsend, Henry Camehl, V. G. Gwynn, T. C. Stout, A. L. Ballou, R. A. Roberts, A. O. Freeman, J. C. Aury, Allen Johnson, Edric Deason, C. A. Rooke Harold L. Blakley, Joe Valdez, Pete Richardson, M. B. Franklin, E. E. Owen, J. W. Wilkinson, William Wendland, W. E. Cole, Kim T. Haynes, Guy Russell, Max Haliburton, Oliver Brundrett, Wm. Johnson, Marshall Anderson, D. F. Ward, Walter Rowe, J. W. Cline, Lee Cosby, Gus Chupe, E. M. Ward, Jose Covarrubias, J. S. Caraway.

### Waits to See Dad



Little James Allen DeForest, born last July 5, is anxiously awaiting the war's end, or maybe, a furlough for his father. James Allen was born while his father, Sgt. John J. DeForest, was on his way to a port of embarkation, and the two have not yet made their acquaintance. Sgt. DeForest is now believed stationed on Leyte. The young man lives here with his mother, who was one of the first volunteers in the Women's Army Corp from this county. Mrs. DeForest joined the WAC on March 12, 1943, and was mustered out on Sept. 1 of the same year. Sgt. DeForest went into the service in December, 1942.

### Red Cross In Urgent Need of Help On Emergency Sewing Job

Mrs. S. F. Jackson announced today that the local Red Cross unit had received material for about 300 emergency replacement bags. She pointed out that it takes from twenty to thirty minutes for an expert seamstress to make one of these from the patterns which are furnished. The bags have to be completed in three weeks time and anyone willing to assist in meeting this deadline can do so by calling Mrs. John C. Sorenson at 3081 for details.

### Leaving Soon



Jack Kaufman, who has been manager of Kaufman's Department Store here for more than a year, will return soon to his home in Houston. "I sure hate to leave . . . and I may be back to stay again some time," he said. Jack is a brother to Sam Kaufman, owner of the store.

### New Store Manager



Mrs. Emma Hunt has accepted a position with Kaufman's Department Store here as manager, to succeed Jack Kaufman, who is leaving to return to Houston to make his home. Mrs. Hunt is well-known in Rockport and was at one time operator of the Seafood Cafe.

President Andrew Jackson was a tailor by trade.

### Committee Named For Red Cross Drive To Begin On Thursday March 1

#### County Quota Raised to \$2,900 to Help Meet Increasing Demands

Chas. T. Pieton, chairman of the Red Cross War Fund Drive in Aransas county, this week announced the names of the drive chairmen and at the same time issued an appeal for everybody to give as much as possible to help meet increasing war demands. Pieton said that because of heavier war demands on the Red Cross abroad that the National headquarters had increased Aransas county's war fund quota to \$2,900. He pointed out that everybody will have to help if the county meets its share of the needs of the Red Cross in providing assistance for servicemen in war theatres.

The drive will get underway here on March 1, and the following chairmen have been appointed: Mrs. Sam Mundine, Sparks Colony; Mrs. V. G. Gwynn, Rincon; Mrs. Otis Yeats, Lamar; Mrs. Robert Young, Oak Grove; Mrs. Jim Barber, Estes; Mrs. Carroll Sanders, Fulton; Mrs. Ed. Moore, West End of Market street to Port Bay Hunting club; Mrs. John Chupe, Latin Americans; Mrs. Fred L. Booth, Rockport, north end; Mrs. Fred B. Hunt, Rockport, south end. Each chairman will enlist the aid of helpers.

### Joel Hedgpeth, New Biologist, Reports for Duty

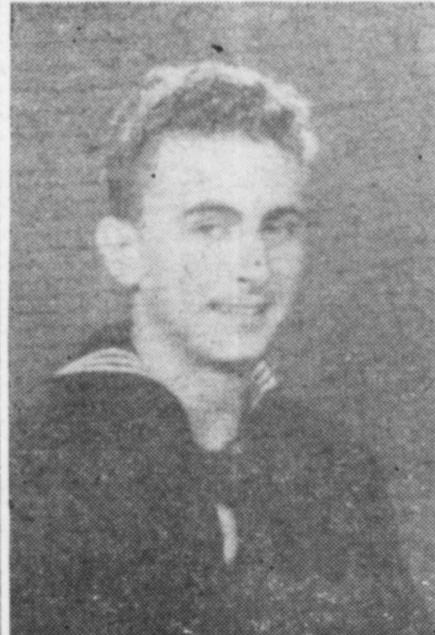
Joel Hedgpeth, former freelance writer on marine biology, arrived today to take over the duties of marine biologist for the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission. He will replace Dr. Gordon Gunter who recently resigned the position to take a post with the newly founded Institute of Marine Science.

Hedgpeth received his Master of Arts Degree at the University of California in 1939, specializing in Marine Zoology. He engaged in studies of the California salmon fisheries after his graduation.

### Kerosene Stove Causes Blaze

A kerosene stove was the cause of a small blaze in the home of Roy York on Wednesday afternoon. Damage was estimated at about \$30.00 by the fire department. The blaze was extinguished when the fire equipment arrived.

### Gets Silver Star



GENE E. HUNT, Phm. 3-c  
... Cited for Bravery

### Alvin Brundrett 'Grand Chancellor' Of Perch Club

Alvin Brundrett was unanimously elected "grand chancellor" of Rockport's exclusive Perch Club today, according to reports from members. He became a member today when he managed a headfirst involuntary plunge into the basin. Members who witnessed Brundrett's initiation into the fraternity, said his execution of the plunge was so perfect in every detail that they thought he should be elected to the high office. Membership is gained into the club only through an involuntary dip in the basin.

### Pirates to Meet Refugio Saturday In District Playoff

The fighting Pirates from Rockport high school will come against the Refugio Bobcats at Gregory Saturday at 2:30 P. M. in a district playoff for the basketball title.

The district is divided into two zones, and Rockport is in the same zone with Gregory, Ingleside, Odem Woodsboro and Refugio. The winner of this zone and the winner of the south zone will be in a title match for the following week-end at a yet undetermined place.

### CAPTAIN ROBERTS RECEIVES D. F. C.

Capt. Allyn E. Roberts, pilot on a B124 Liberator bomber in the 15th AAF, has been recently awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in aerial flight.

The award was made in recognition of highly successful run over enemy installations in Munich, Germany. Captain Roberts, who was also assistant squadron operations officer at the time, was leading his flight on what the wording of citation described as "a difficult and hazardous assignment."

Roberts is currently flying with a veteran B-24 group, under the command of Lt. Col. Brooks A. Lawton, Tacoma, Wash., and is entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge with one bronze Oak Leaf Cluster. He also wears the Air Medal with three bronze Oak Leaf Clusters for meritorious achievement in aerial flight.

### Calvin D. Cole Back From South Pacific

Calvin D. Cole, S. 1-c, on furlough from the South Pacific visited his mother and friends in Oklahoma, and Mrs. Bessie Rooke and Miss Edna Clinton in Lytle, Texas.

### Camporee, Court of Honor Mark Scout Week Program

#### 'Gum King' Invades Cafe, Pays Checks for Everybody

A tall, chunkish stranger walked into Thomson's Cafe one night recently, introduced himself as a chewing gum king, and began paying the checks of all comers. One man ate two steaks, which didn't phase the generosity of the man who purported to have imported over a million dollars worth of chewing gum from Mexico during the past year. He stayed around the cafe long enough to accumulate all the checks for food and drinks of passengers who piled in when a late bus stopped. After paying the accumulated checks, amounting to more than fifteen dollars, the stranger bid everybody goodby, said he'd be back again soon, climbed into a long automobile and drove away.

### Oliver Brundrett Surrenders Triangle Beer License

In a hearing before County Judge B. S. Fox this week, Oliver Brundrett, operator of the Triangle Cafe, surrendered his license to sell beer and entered a plea of guilty to a charge of selling beer to a minor. He was assessed a \$100 fine and costs, with the fine being suspended.

The charge was filed by A. R. White of the State Liquor Control Board, who alleged the illegal sale was made on January 26.

### Kaufman's Staging Sale of OPA Released Shoes

Kaufman's Store is offering shoes for sale without ration stamps. The shoes are offered for sale under the OPA regulation permitting sale of a small percentage of shoes for ten days beginning Monday. Only a limited number of shoes may be sold without stamps, but these may be selected from a wide range.

Many other specials are offered for Monday, opening day of the sale, including a limited quantity of bed sheets.

Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor and daughter Janet of Corpus Christi and Mr. and Mrs. Joe New of Ingleside spent the week-end here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Allemang.

### Fulton Community Church Holds Special Scout Service

The past week was observed by Troop 49, Rockport, along with all the other troops in the county as National Boy Scout Week. Among the various other activities carried out in observance of the event was the establishment of demonstration encampment at the city park. The accompanying pictures taken by Pilot Photographer Hicks, illustrate some of the features of scout training as brought out by the demonstration.

As an observance of National Scout Week, the Fulton Community church, under the direction of its pastor, Rev. Frank Walker, held a special scout service. The Rockport Scouts attended in a body and in full uniform. Their parents attended with them.

An impressive service was based on the sermon entitled: "The Scout Oath and Laws and their Importance in the Lives of Boys."

A Court of Honor, one of the features of National Scout Week, was held at the high school last Monday night by the local unit of the Boy Scouts of America. The court was held under the direction of J. B. Thomas, field executive of the Gulf Coast Council. Other officials present were Mr. A. C. Glass, Rev. T. H. Pollard, and Rev. Frank Walker, Scoutmaster of the local troop.

Merit badges were awarded to the following: David Herring, Jack Blackwell, Frederick Close, and John Albert Ratliff.

The following boys were ranked as Second Class Scouts: Bob Morrison, Jim Morrison, John Cron, Travis Smith, John Albert Ratliff.

Invested as Tenderfoot Scouts were the following: John Cron, John Albert Ratliff, Travis Smith, Theodore Dupnik, Billy Askew, Woody Hunt, and Chicken Evans.

### Rockport People Escape Injury In Auto Wreck

Mrs. John H. Warden and Mrs. Eugene Townsend and children narrowly escaped injury this week when the car they were driving and a truck collided on highway 35 twenty miles north of Rockport. Both the car and the truck were badly damaged, but no one was seriously hurt.

Mrs. Warden and Mrs. Townsend were on their way to Camp Hood near Waco to visit their husbands.



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**Bridge Social  
 Is Given At  
 Mills Home**

One of the highlights on the so-  
 cial calendar this week was the  
 Valentine bridge party given Sun-  
 day night when Mr. and Mrs. Har-  
 ry Mills entertained at their home.

Four tables were laid for bridge.  
 Mrs. J. D. Haseman won high score  
 prize for the ladies and Charles  
 Ankele won high for the men.

For refreshment course, the ta-  
 bles were laid with a white cloth  
 and centered with large red paper  
 hearts. Napkins and tallies also re-  
 flected the Valentine theme. Re-  
 freshments consisted of chicken  
 salad, ritz spread with cheese, olives,  
 deviled food cake iced in white  
 and decorated with red hearts, and  
 coffee.

Those enjoying the hospitality  
 were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Le-  
 Blanc, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ankele,  
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson, Mr.  
 and Mrs. Richard Fox, Mr. and  
 Mrs. Arley Shivers, Mrs. Henry  
 Ballou, Miss Iris Sorenson, Mrs.  
 J. H. Mills, Mrs. Helen Jane Sloan,  
 Mrs. Ed Barnard, Mrs. J. D. Haseman  
 and Mr. and Mrs. Mills.

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**Elementary School Students  
 Enjoy St. Valentine Parties**

Climaxing weeks of preparation  
 with paste, scissors and construc-  
 tion paper, elementary school stu-  
 dents pooled their Valentines in  
 their room boxes and got down to  
 enjoying their own parties Wed-  
 nesday afternoon.

Each room had its own party  
 with the teacher and the room  
 mothers having charge of the ar-  
 rangements and the refreshments.

The first grade students taught  
 by Mrs. Charlyne Hune had a Val-  
 entine Box and the room mothers,  
 Mrs. Bales and Mrs. J. H. May,  
 served large chocolate hearts, pop-  
 corn balls, cookies and cold drinks.

Mrs. Harry Mills, room mother,  
 assisted by Mrs. Charlie Roe had  
 charge of the refreshments for the  
 second grade. They served sand-  
 wiches, heart shaped cookies iced  
 in white with the student's names  
 written in red, and cold drinks. The  
 teacher had a Valentine Box for  
 the group.

Mrs. Bertha Harper, third grade  
 teacher, had a Valentine Box and  
 the students sang songs. The room  
 mothers, Mrs. Tom Shults and Mrs.  
 Edric Deason served sandwiches,  
 cookies and cold drinks.

The fourth grade, with their  
 teacher, Mrs. Roy Lee Hart, enjoyed  
 a Valentine Box and cookies and  
 cold drinks served by Mrs. Ted  
 Atwood and Mrs. E. M. Mundine,  
 room mothers.

Miss Katie Lee Clarke and her  
 fifth grade students also had a  
 Valentine Box and a refreshment  
 course served by their room moth-  
 ers, Mrs. Henry Ballou and Mrs.  
 B. W. Hamblin.

The first section of the 6th  
 grade was entertained with a Val-  
 entine Box and party. The room  
 mothers, Mrs. Willie Close and  
 Mrs. Gene Shults assisted the  
 teacher, Mrs. Bill Cavitt in serving  
 punch and cookies.

Mrs. Owen James, teacher for the

second section of the 6th grade,  
 also had a Valentine Box and party  
 for her group. The room mothers,  
 Mrs. Emma Scott Reese and Mrs.  
 D. C. McBride, served refresh-  
 ments of cookies and cold drinks.

The seventh grade, under Mrs.  
 Mixon, enjoyed a Valentine Box  
 and refreshments of fruit, sand-  
 wiches, cookies and cold drinks.  
 Room mothers serving were Mrs.  
 T. H. Ratliff and Mrs. A. C. Davis.

Students in the eighth grade had  
 a Valentine Party in the form of  
 a dance Saturday night at the  
 school. Mrs. Gordon Gunter is the  
 teacher and the room mothers, Mrs.  
 Lloyd Smith, Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson  
 and Mrs. R. H. Dickens, will as-  
 sist with the affair.

The Latin-American school also  
 enjoyed Valentine Boxes and re-  
 freshments. Mrs. John Haynes is  
 the teacher for the first and sec-  
 ond grades and Mrs. Emma Soliz,  
 assisted by her sister, provided re-  
 freshments of sandwiches, cookies  
 and cold drinks for the group.

Mrs. C. O. Lowery entertained  
 her third and fourth grades in the  
 Latin-American school with a Val-  
 entine Box. The students brought  
 a collection which provided for  
 cookies and cold drinks.

The Home Economics Class of  
 Rockport high school had a Val-  
 entine party, Wednesday afternoon,  
 February 14, in the Pirate's Cave.  
 The entertainment was games of  
 "Hearts."

Refreshments of heart shaped  
 cakes decorated with cherries and  
 fruit punch served from a lace  
 covered table. The center piece was  
 a large red heart pierced with an  
 arrow.

The group included: Margaret  
 Stuart, Colleen Smith, Lucille  
 Haynes, Corrine Evans, Wilma  
 Rouquette, Jean Roberts, Mary  
 Mullinax, Ella Mae Green, Alice  
 Ballou, Lucille Young, Mildred  
 Scheider, Lola Driver, Oleva  
 Driver, Juanita Pitschke, Marjorie  
 Nell Brundrett and Mrs. Wheeler.

Mrs. D. M. Gray has returned  
 home after a delightful twelve day  
 visit with her sister, Mrs. G. C.  
 Mullinax, in Houston. Also visiting  
 Mrs. Mullinax was little Margaret  
 Ruth Bennet, Genevieve Riley, and  
 Shirley Aylor of Houston. Mrs. F.  
 D. Ites of Houston visited Thursday  
 and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. G.  
 C. Mullinax.

**HAVE DOUBLE BIRTHDAY PARTY**



Sharing honors at a birthday party Friday night were two one-year old boys, James Monroe DeForest and John Harry Brymer, Jr. above.

Their mothers, Mrs. J. W. DeForest and Mrs. J. H. Brymer gave  
 the party at the recreation hall. Each child had its own white cake  
 with a single pink candle and "Happy Birthday" embossed in pink.  
 Cake and punch were served the guest. The boys each received nine gifts.

Those attending the party were Mrs. Leonard Roberts and son,  
 Billy Joe; Mrs. Floyd Smith and son, Mike; Mr. and Mrs. Boyce  
 Gillespie and children, Joanne, Mary Alice and Kenneth, of Bayside;  
 and the two honorees and their mothers.

**Ernestine Gordan  
 Honoree At  
 Birthday Party**

Mrs. Lura Gordan entertained  
 Friday night with a party for her  
 daughter, Ernestine Gordan, the  
 occasion being her eleventh birth-  
 day anniversary. The party was  
 held in the recreation hall.

Valentines were used as place  
 cards and the twelve guests were  
 served birthday cake and punch.  
 The white cake was decorated with  
 blue candles with "Happy Birthday"  
 written in blue. The honoree re-  
 ceived gifts.

Guests were Katherine Atwood,  
 Vaunda Smith, Betty Lou Garrett,  
 John Paul Reese, Ruth Linda Mc-  
 Shan, Marjorie Hunt, Peggy Joyce  
 Owens, Alice Bell, Leon Thornton,  
 Johnnie Fayrene Swann, Glyn  
 Swann and Pat Smith.

**Mrs. Conrad Day  
 Hostess to Class**

The Fulton Bible Study Club  
 met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs.  
 Conrad Day as hostess. Mrs. Valie  
 Cole led the devotional and Mrs.  
 Frank Walker gave the lesson on  
 the third chapter of "Exodus."

Cookies and coffee were served  
 to Mrs. John Weber, Mrs. Char-  
 les Keefe, Mrs. Bert Johnson, Mrs.  
 Fannie Mars, Mrs. Frank Caster-  
 line, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Walker and

**Rebekahs Honor  
 Mrs. Wright  
 With Party**

Members of the Rebekah Lodge  
 surprised Mrs. J. E. Wright Mon-  
 day night with a birthday party  
 at the hall. The affair was spon-  
 sored by Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs.  
 Arthur Edminson and Mrs. Leonard  
 Roberts.

Mrs. Edminson and Mrs. Bert  
 Ballou brought the honoree to the  
 hall and as she walked in the door,  
 the group started singing: "Happy  
 Birthday to You." Mrs. Balou pin-  
 ned a corsage on Mrs. Wright and  
 Mrs. Roberts presented her with  
 a gift in behalf of the lodge mem-  
 bers. A Valentine made by Mary  
 Augusta Deane on which was in-  
 scribed an original poem, "Our  
 Valentine" was also presented.

After games of forty-two, do-  
 minoes and checkers, cake and  
 punch were served.

Those attending were Mr. and  
 Mrs. Guy Barber and baby, Mr. and  
 Mrs. C. Jacobsen, Edgar Jacobsen,  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McLeister,  
 Mrs. John McLeister, H. C. West-  
 brook of Aransas Pass, Mrs. Bert  
 Ballou, Mrs. Arthur Edminson,  
 Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs. Pearl Wright  
 Mrs. Erma Clobberdants, Mrs. John  
 Townsend, Mrs. J. L. Sykes, Mrs.  
 C. G. Raulerson, Mrs. John Bauh  
 and baby, Miss Katie Lee Clarke,  
 Mrs. Kate Ezell, Miss Ruth Lips-  
 comb, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rooke  
 and Mrs. J. W. DeForest and baby.

Mrs. W. A. Butler and cousin,  
 Mrs. J. B. Blackstock of San An-  
 tonio came in Tuesday afternoon  
 to spend a couple of days with  
 Mrs. Butler's mother, Mrs. Kate  
 Ezell.

**Personals**

Mrs. Joe Johnson and sons,  
 Joe and Mike, Mrs. Travis Johnson,  
 Colleen Smith and Roy Lassiter  
 went to Bay City Thursday, staying  
 until Saturday. Mrs. Joe Johnson,  
 Mrs. Travis Johnson and the boys  
 visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs.  
 Bill Gordan. Colleen was the guest  
 of Bonnie Bleylock. Colleen, Joe  
 and Roy attended a dance as Bon-  
 nie's guests.

Cpl. George L. Brundrett Jr. left  
 Wednesday morning for Plant  
 Park, Florida after a ten day visit  
 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
 George Lee Brundrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heldenfels  
 and son, Dailey, left last Thursday  
 for Hawkins where they are visit-  
 ing her sister, Mrs. J. D. Greeson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wheeler  
 spent the week-end in Yoakum visit-  
 ing friends and relatives.

Miss Dorothy Bissett of Corpus  
 Christi arrived last Thursday to  
 visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Stanley Bissett. She returned to  
 Corpus Christi Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson  
 spent the week-end in Corpus  
 Christi visiting her aunt, Mrs.  
 Perry.

Mrs. Clara Louise Schmeling ac-  
 companied Rev. J. H. Kelly to  
 Brownsville Wednesday. Rev. Kelly  
 will return Thursday and Mrs.  
 Schmeling is flying home Friday.  
 She is visiting in the home of Mr.  
 and Mrs. R. S. Schmeling while  
 there.

Capt. Fancher Archer left Mon-  
 day for his station at the Childress  
 Army Air Field after spending a  
 leave here with his wife.

Mrs. R. R. Roberts returned Sat-  
 urday after a visit in Corpus  
 Christi.

Mrs. W. H. Griffin of Pierce was  
 here this week visiting her mother  
 Mrs. Pete Richardson.

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Mrs. Joe Smith is in Kingsville  
 spending a few days with her son,  
 Cpl. A. C. Smith and family. She  
 left here Wednesday.

In Aransas Pass Monday after-  
 noon, were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond  
 Roberts.

Miss Ruth Linda-Herring of Cor-  
 pus was here over the week-  
 end visiting her parents, Mr. and  
 Mrs. James C. Herring. She had  
 as her house guest, Seaman 1st  
 Class Alex Grossi from Waldern  
 Field.

Miss Hazel Quinn of Tilton spent  
 the week-end here in the home of  
 Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Bracht, visit-  
 ing them and other relatives.

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 Ambulance Service  
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Mrs. Henry Brouhard and Mrs.  
 Seals of Corpus Christi were here  
 Wednesday visiting friends.

**Fifty-Three Camp  
 Fire Girls Have Party**

Campfire girls and their guests,  
 totaling 53, enjoyed a St. Valen-  
 tine's Party at the U. S. O. Friday  
 night.

The most interesting feature of  
 the evening was the "Follow the  
 Leader" game led by Mrs. Charles  
 Roe which took the group through  
 town, down on the beach and back  
 to the club house.

The Valentine motif was carried  
 out in the table decorations and  
 sandwiches, cookies and cold drinks  
 were served.

Mrs. Roy Lee Hart and Mrs. Roe  
 were in charge of the party and  
 they were assisted by Mrs. Stanley  
 Bissett, Miss Dorothy Bissett, and  
 Mrs. Charles Garrett.

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**THEY FURNISHED THE MUSIC**—This orchestra furnished the music for dancing at the costume tacky party given Monday night by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thomson at their home on highway 35. The guests enjoyed dancing, games and contests. Left to right the musicians are: H. R. Brown, Jackie Dietrich, Lee Lico, John McAlee and Wister Stevenson.



**DOUBLE DARE YA'**—Robert Cole, Jr. and Mrs. Robert Cole, Sr. looked defiantly at the photographer as this one was snapped, while Mrs. Cole Jr. looks up pleading at her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Townsend, at right, are more nonchalant about everything. Everybody had fun grandstanding in "tacky" costumes and trying to win the prizes.



**OUT IN FRONT**—In this picture are Mrs. Hazel Hapner, Mrs. Cleo Smith, Mrs. Wanda Sparks, Mrs. Alma Williams, Mrs. Annie Cox, Mrs. Pauline Rouquette and Mrs. Inez Roope—all contenders for the prize for "tackiest" dressed at the Thomson party Monday night.



**THE WINNERS**—After a careful deliberation, and study of a score of entries, the judges came up with the decision awarding Oscar Dye and Mrs. Jack Sparks the honors of being the two tackiest persons at the Thomson party.

**'Tacky' Guests Invade Thomson Home for Party**

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thomson entertained Monday night with a tacky party for members of the Rockport Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary. It was one of the liveliest parties of the week and everybody enjoyed the evening that was highlighted with dancing, games and contests.

Most everybody came dressed in outlandish costumes, all vying for prizes offered for the tackiest dressed.

Mrs. Jack Sparks was awarded the prize for being the tackiest dressed woman present and Oscar Dye was judged the tackiest man present. Mrs. Sparks was given a flower vase designed as a miniature duck, and Mr. Dye received a memorandum book.

The Rhythm Ranchers provided music for the dancing throughout the evening. Refreshments of sandwiches, salad and coffee were served.

**P. T. A. Founders Day Program Set for Tuesday**

The local Parent-Teacher Association will hold its Founder's Day program Tuesday, February 20, at 8 p. m.

The program will be by the sixth grade under the sponsorship of teachers Mrs. Gustava Cavitt and Mrs. Fred James.

**St. Valentine Bridge Party Given Saturday**

A traditional Valentine party was enjoyed Saturday night when Mr. and Mrs. Arley Shivers entertained a group of friends at bridge. Capt. and Mrs. Fancher Archer were awarded the high score prizes and Mrs. Archer also won the traveling prize. Booby prize went to Charles Ankele.

Narcisses in bowls were placed at vantage points throughout the rooms and large red apples holding olives centered the tables when refreshments were served. Napkins, tallies and the refreshment course of cherry tarts, heart shaped sandwiches, ice box cookies and coffee carried out the Valentine theme.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ankele, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Collier, Capt. and Mrs. Fancher Archer, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Balou, Mrs. Ed Barnard, Mrs. Amos Adolphus and the host and hostess.

**Mrs. Jas C. Herring Hostess to Guild**

The Guild of the St. Peter's Episcopal church met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. James C. Herring, Mrs. John Sorenson, president, presided and Mrs. Emma Reese led the devotional.

A refreshment course of salad, cake and coffee were served to Mrs. Kate Ezell, Mrs. D. C. McBride, Mrs. Annie Stephenson, Mrs. Sam Prophet, Mrs. Albert Colier, Mrs. David Scrivner, Mrs. Gordan Gibson, Mrs. John Sorenson, Mrs. Emma Reese and the hostess.



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BLEACH, qt. bottle 10c	Prune Juice, qt bottle 29c
RED and WHITE	MAVIS
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**Mrs. Townsend Entertains With Birthday Party**

Mrs. Clyde Townsend entertained Tuesday afternoon with a party for her daughter, Carole Jeannette, the occasion being her 11th birthday anniversary.

During the afternoon the guests enjoyed playing baseball, chain tag, and blind man's bluff.

The dining room table was laid with a white cloth made bright with red hearts and flowers. Slices of the white birthday cake, sandwiches and cold drinks were served.

The guest list included Garry Smith, Tommy Cron, Norma Lou Roe, Doly Lee Hart, Sylvia Mae Lowe, Shirley Faye Harrell, Rosa Faye Hamblin, Charlotte Anne Gunter, Pat Smith, Joe, James and Ruthie Gipson, Lois Mae, Joyce Nell and Carole Jeanette Townsend.

**Mrs. R. H. Dickens Hostess to Auxiliary**

Mrs. R. H. Dickens was hostess Thursday afternoon to members of Circle 1 of the Presbyterian Auxiliary. Mrs. Harry Mills, president, presided and Mrs. A. M. McNatt had charge of the program.

Tuna fish salad, angel food squares decorated with red hearts and coffee was served.

Those attending were Mrs. W. H. Morrison, Mrs. Fred Cloberdants, Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Houston Ratliff, Mrs. Harry Mills, Mrs. McNatt, Mrs. Casterline, Mrs. Dickens and Mrs. T. H. Pollard.

**RAYMOND MOORE GRADUATES FROM AIR MECHANICS SCHOOL**

Pvt. Raymond J. Moore, son of Mr. James Morgan Moore, R.F.D. Route 1, Rockport, Texas, was graduated this week from Air Mechanics school at Rosecrans Field, a base of the Ferrying Division, Air Transport Command, at St. Joseph, Mo.

Enlisting in the Air Corps at Brownsville, Texas, in October, of 1942, Private Moore came to Rosecrans last September. Born in Aransas Pass, Texas, he was employed prior to his enlistment with Dodge and Wieder Gardner at San Benito, Texas.

His wife and child reside at 089 Madison Street, Brownsville, Texas. He has a brother, James Lloyd Moore, serving in the armed forces.

**TRIBUTE TO CAPT DAVIS**

Our friend Captain Davis was a wonderful guy and we feel that his home is today in the sky.

It was in a bad car wreck, that he met his fate.

And brought more tears to Rockport than we can relate.

Our friend Charley was kind in word and in deed.

And would oft times lend a hand to people in need.

All that knew him wept o'er the loss of his life.

But there was none that was hurt like his children and wife.

Dear Charley has crossed the dark swelling tide.

And the same sea awaits all that dwell on this side.

He was a wonderful husband and to his children was kind.

You will seldom find his equal in Spirit or mind.

(Composed and Published by Dan B. B. McCullough, his old dish washer.)

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to express our thanks to the VFW Post and Auxiliary and the many friends who have sent flowers and expressions of sympathy during the illness of our husband and father, D. C. McBride. He is still in the hospital at the Naval Air Base, but is greatly improved. Mrs. D. C. McBride and family.

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**Valentine Party Given At Pollard Home**

About forty-five Presbyterian young people and their guests met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard Wednesday night for a St. Valentine's Party. Mrs. Pollard assisted with the hostess duties by Mrs. Hugh Morison.

The hostess committee was composed of Charlyne Davis, Patty Davis, Barbara Dickens, Justine Nixon and La Nell Smith.

Various contests and games were enjoyed during the evening climaxing the fun. Valentines were drawn from a decorative Valentine Box.

The dining room table was laid with a white damask cloth and centered with an arrangement of white narcisses and a red heart. Charlyne and Patsy presided at the punch bowl. Heart shaped sandwiches and cake squares embossed with red hearts were also served.

Wilburn Hamblin, Charlotte and Bonnie Cron were on the decorating committee and Wister Stevenson and Harris Pollard had charge of the games.

**Pirates Have Good Year In Basketball**

The Pirates got off to a slow start in basketball this year, as they lost two main stringers last season through the graduation of Alva Freeman and Claude Roberts. But with Co-captain Ottie Mundine and Harris Pollard, and Eddie Mundine back from last year's squad, they have become a potential threat to every team they have played in the last few tries.

With the three mentioned players, David Herring, center, and Russell Rowe, Guard, make one of the fightingest teams that has come out of the high school in some time. Kenneth Phagan has shown great promise as a future main stringer in his versatile play of this season.

He has been a fill in for the mainstringers all year. Others who will face future Pirate enemies on the basketball court are Gene Lassiter, lanky center, who has shown great improvement all season; Joe Johnson, Jr., whose first love is football and track, should make a great player if he sticks with the game; Ronnie Williams, hard running little forward, has thus far shown the finest form in basketball this season, should show Pirate enemies many worries next season; Bert Haney, who also loves football and track foremost, has shown good form, and should win a place on the first team next season; Roy Lassiter has played along with the B-squad all season, but will probably be out of basketball competition next year except perhaps on some service squad.

Track season is getting underway at this time, with Joe Johnson, Bert Haney, Joe Saleh, Roy Lassiter, and others taking the lead in training junior boys for district competition until coach Wheeler is relieved of his basketball duties. Then track will have first heading on the athletic calendar from next Monday on until after district meet in April. All of the boys in senior track are looking forward to the invitation track tournament in San Antonio in March, either at Edison high school or Alamo Heights High. That first trip is the inspiration for many of the boys' interest in track, because besides having an athletic tinge, it also gives the boys education inspiration through visits to various places of interest in that city.

Hard baseball will begin in April and continue until the summer vacation starts in June. Many schools are interested in organizing a league for this section, and Rockport will head the movement.

**Mrs. Maggie Haynes Injured in Fall**

Mrs. Maggie Haynes suffered a broken hip from a fall in her home last Thursday. She was taken to the Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi and is doing as well as could be expected according to physicians.

She is in room 101, and is in good spirits, enjoying a great deal the flowers and cards from her friends.

**Mrs. R. H. Dickens Burned By Explosion**

Mrs. R. H. Dickens received first degree burns about the face, neck and arms during the past week. During her absence from the kitchen the fire in the oven was blown out, and she did not allow sufficient time for the clearance of the unburned gas before relighting. The explosion and her burns resulted.

**Mrs. J. G. Hamblin Suffers Injuries in Fall**

Caught unawares by heavy spring winds, Mrs. J. G. Hamblin, 77, fell from the porch of a cabin in Oleander Courts last Monday. She sustained bruises and strains and will be confined to bed for several days.

**Mrs. Hamblin is the mother of Bob Hamblin and is staying with him until she can find a place to live.**

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