

Civic Leaders Lay Plans For Better Fire Protection

New 'Fog' Equipment To Be Asked of County; Station At Fulton Another Aim

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS GO ON RECORD BACKING FIREMEN, STUDY NEED FOR CONTINUING MAINTENANCE FUND

Spurred by the need for additional fire protection and by Rockport's high insurance rate, plans were shaping up this week to provide the fire department with additional equipment and re-arrange its facilities. What was equally

important, business leaders were studying plans and suggestions to provide the department with necessary operating funds over a sustained period.

The Chamber of Commerce directors, in a special meeting Monday night, threw their weight behind the movement. They went on record as backing the fire department plans and urging the maximum co-operation from county and city officials.

The fire department, as a county-wide set-up, takes responsibility for fire protection in Fulton and other outlying communities as well as for Rockport. It has found however, that the present equipment and its location are not sufficient to meet needs, Chief Lloyd Lassiter and Assistant Chief Charles Ankele told The Pilot.

Judge Fox Favors Plan

Especially needed are one more truck and arrangements to house one piece of apparatus in Fulton, they said.

Lassiter and Ankele say that the equipment needed is a "fog truck", the newest development in firefighting. They have conferred with County Judge B. S. Fox on the possibility of the county purchasing such a truck. Judge Fox has expressed his favor to the idea and has mentioned it to others, although—he said—not yet all members of the Commissioner's Court.

Lassiter and Ankele have been invited to attend a meeting of Commissioner's Court February 10 and present their case.

"Fog" equipment, mounted on a 1½-ton truck with a high pressure pump, can be purchased for about \$7,000, including the truck, Judge Fox and Ankele said.

"Fog" is one of the war-time developments in fire-fighting and has proved effective in battling both oil and electrical blazes as well as ordinary fires. Instead of being thrown in a solid stream, the water is broken up into billions of tiny, fog-like particles.

How It Works

What then happens is this: the minute droplets float in the air, each to itself and settle down on the fire. Each particle absorbs some of the heat of the flame. Billions more particles are moving in behind them to absorb more heat. Instead of being drowned out, a fire is chilled to death and the supply of oxygen to feed it is cut off by the fog.

Fog has several advantages, Lassiter and Ankele said in citing recent national magazine articles and underwriter's reports. In the first place, it acts immeasurably quicker than a stream of water, and in all directions at once. Ankele set the efficiency rating at around 10 to 1. In the second place, it uses far less water than the conventional fire-fighting methods, hence cuts water damage which frequently is greater than that caused by the fire itself.

Speed Vital Element

The latter fact has been sharply emphasized in the cases of several bad ship fires which were extinguished without seriously filling the ship's hold with water. Lassiter and Ankele pointed, by contrast, to the case of the French liner, Normandie, which sank from an overload of water used in fighting a fire in New York harbor during the war.

With purchase of an additional truck, the two fire department heads said they hoped to station a light truck, now housed at headquarters in Rockport, at Fulton. (Continued on last page)

Along The Waterfront



- ✦ TEMPERATURE DROP
- ✦ WHOPPERS GET AWAY
- ✦ UNORTHODOX CATCH
- ✦ 300 SEE NEW PLACE

TUESDAY'S TEMPERATURE drop sent anglers crowding to the Fish Bowl Tuesday afternoon after several poor days. They had plenty to raise their blood pressure in stories told by fishermen of experiences earlier in the day.

If those stories were any guide, then the whoppers (and we do mean fish) were back in the basin to escape the cold. But like all the big ones, they got away.

One man said he hooked something—he hoped it was only a fish—which bent his heavy rod and fought the reel clear around on the underside. After several minutes' battle he succeeded in bringing the big fish up to the pier. But the fish had ideas of his own. He suddenly whipped around a piling and cut the line on a cluster of barnacles.

ANOTHER ANGLER GOT TOO eager, this man went on. The second man also hooked something—something that could have been a team of draft horses from the way it pulled. He started hauling in, and the 20-pound-test leader snapped—"just like that."

SUNDAY, FROM THE EDITORS point of view was a very unhappy day. It gripped him to reflect that a doggone old pelican was smarter than he. The editor was getting no fish. The pelican was.

ONE UNIDENTIFIED ANGLER made a catch he hadn't expected in the Fish Bowl Sunday. A gull which had been stealing his bait as fast as it was thrown out got too eager and grabbed a shrimp with the hook firmly implanted. The gull found itself hooked and hauled in despite much flapping and screaming. The anglers of course, turned the bird loose and spectators said the gull was as anxious to leave as the fishermen were to have it do so.

E. J. ALBIN, WHO OPENED his new fishermen's center at Market Street and the beach last Saturday, saw something more than 300 persons visit his establishment in the course of that day.

Albin, incidentally had something new this week, sticks of amber-colored plastic from which fishermen can make their own lures. The lures can be carved out, then smoothed and finished through the use of lacquer thinner.

But as the week neared an end Albin had not received shipment on the bay maps which he hoped to have ready for his first customers. He hopes for that condition to be corrected soon.

THE BAIT SITUATION SEEMS to be improving. Live shrimp is making its appearance, although still not in large quantities. Dead shrimp, which also was unobtainable for a while, is back in fair quantity.

E. W. "SHORTY" TOWNSEND has hauled his 28-foot cabin boat from the water for a general overhauling and cleaning in preparation for the fishing season.

Auto License Tags On Sale Here Feb. 15

The 1947 automobile license tags will go on sale in Aransas County, Feb. 15, Assessor-Collector Curry said this week. Motorists must have the new tags by April 1. After that date a 20 per cent penalty is added to the purchase of tags, and car owners without them are liable to arrest.

Waterfront Row Hearing Set In District Court

Local Case May Set Guide For Future Texas Disputes

Two courts will swing into action Monday morning in Rockport, with the Rockport waterfront controversy holding the center of interest and possibly setting a legal determination for the state.

That suit, an action of trespass to try title, will come before Judge W. G. Gayle of Beeville, in district court. County court, with Judge B. S. Fox presiding, also will be in session.

The first day of the district court session will be devoted to the grand jury, which already has been summoned.

Called for duty on that body are:

Jim Barber, J. F. Brundrett, Francis Rouquette, Edric Deason, L. V. McLester, J. J. Kring, Urban Hemmi, Norvell Jackson, O. B. Knippa, L. E. Casterline, A. F. Dervage, O. B. Reed, Ruel Thompson, Harry Mills, Henry Camehl, and Lyle Diederich.

Non-Jury Hearing Likely

As far as anyone around the courthouse knew this week, there was little to occupy the attention of the grand jury and the prospects were for a purely formal meeting.

Except for the waterfront controversy, district court docket was composed of mostly routine matters including a number of divorce suits.

Appearances indicated that Judge Gayle will try the waterfront suit without a jury since the case hinges more on points of law than upon fact. No petit jury has been summoned.

On its face, the suit is simply an action to compel the city to yield possession of property claimed by Aransas county Navigation District No. 1 and which it alleges the city pre-empted.

The petition, filed by Attorney Victor F. Bouldin for the Houston law firm of Vinson, Elkins, Weems and Francis, simply cites the patent issued by Gov. James F. Alford in 1936, granting authority, over a long stretch of Aransas Bay. The city's reply, filed by Attorney Clifford Swearingen of Corpus Christi, confines itself to denying that the city is wrongfully in possession.

Actually at stake, however, are much more important matters, possession and administration of the city's waterfront, and a legal determination of how far a city's control goes and where a navigation district's authority and responsibility ends.

Involved in the Rockport dispute are considerable real property and substantial revenue and prospective revenue as well as different policies and views for development of the waterfront.

Both city and Navigation Board verbally cite legal authority for (Continued on last page)

Who's Boss of What? - - - District Court to Decide Issue

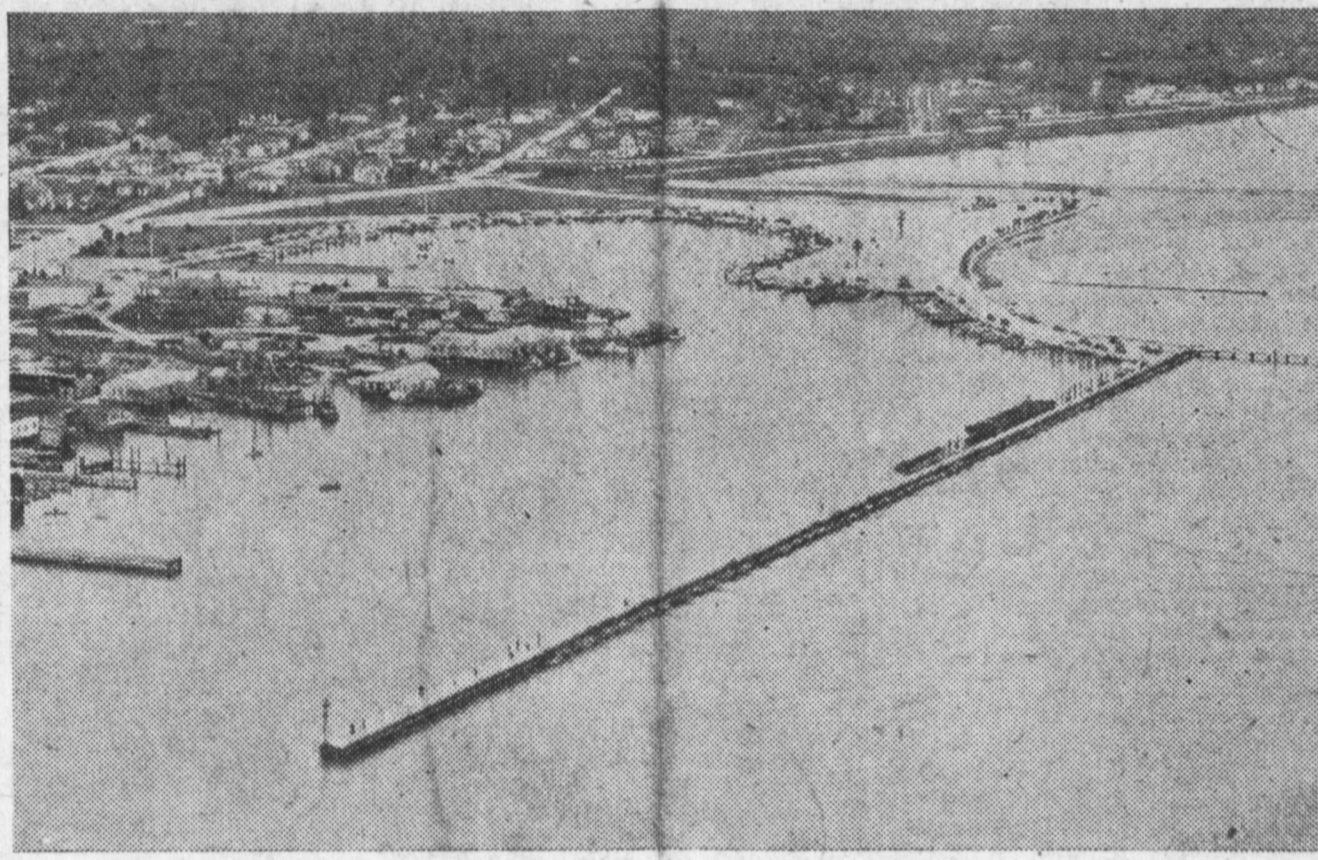


Photo by Jack Blackwell

This latest photograph of the Rockport harbor and yacht basin shows dramatically what a part of the shooting between the Navigation District and the City of Rockport is about. Control of the waterfront is claimed by both and District Judge Gayle will probably set state legal precedent in deciding the case. Lack of any clear definition of authority leaves both governmental units citing legal grounds for claim to control.

963 Poll Taxes Paid In County

Poll taxes paid in Aransas County numbered 963 this year, A. R. Curry, assessor-collector said as he completed the final check-up this week. Eleven under-age exemption certificates also were issued.

In addition to the 974 voters thus accounted for, Curry said that a number of veterans still will be entitled to poll tax exemption this year because of recent military or naval service.

Curry asked that the holders of two poll tax receipts, No. 711 and No. 712, contact his office in order to get proper credit and avoid election day confusion. Through some mischance, the names of those two taxpayers failed to register on the carbon copies of the receipts which constitute the official record.

Kaufman Department Store Holding Sale

Added proof that the war times are passing and that something of "the good old days" remain was seen this week in the sale advertised in this issue of The Pilot by Kaufman's department store.

The store was able to make its most advantageous purchases of piece goods since the war and is offering 10,000 yards of cotton fabrics along with hundreds of other items at good savings.

The sale is to continue through Friday, Saturday, and Monday.

'OLD RED', PAL OF KIDS, KILLED BY CAR ON HIGHWAY

It was tough news for the kids in County Commissioner W. B. Allen's neighborhood this week. And for Allen, too.

"Red" was killed by an automobile.

"Red" was Allen's five-year-old registered Irish setter. But was even more. "Red" was Allen's pal and the friend of all the neighborhood kids.

About all Allen knew was that he found the dog on the highway after the car had struck him, Wednesday morning. Allen didn't feel like talking about it—too much like a member of the family.

So The Pilot runs this story so the kids will know.

House For Fulton Comes By Barge

An additional five-room house for the Fulton area became a matter of special interest Thursday morning as it was unloaded from a barge on the Rockport waterfront.

The house was brought up from Corpus Christi by the tug, Kabinokka, and was to be moved over the highway to a tract about a mile north of Fulton owned by Dr. John R. Thomas, practicing physician of Corpus Christi.

A corrugated iron building, brought on the same barge was taken on to Refugio for use by an oil company. It was not unloaded here.

Oil Play Seen For This Area

Indications of a new play making up in the Rockport vicinity were highlighted by two developments this week.

1. The Pilot was informed that Atlantic Refining Co., has carried on a quiet program of leasing between the Rockport city limits and Aransas Pass, and from Rockport in the direction of Salt Lake.

2. The army engineers issued notice of an application by the same company to conduct seismicographic exploration (shooting) along the east edge of Corpus Christi bay and in the Gulf off Port Aransas.

Any protests from the standpoint of navigation were to be filed not later than Friday.

Seismograph work has been conducted extensively by a number of companies around Rockport, both on shore and off. So much so that their colored streamers tied to fences and shrubbery have become a familiar sight.

The reports of leasing, however, put the tests in a more substantial light.

Considerable exploration and drilling work have been carried on in this section over a period of several years. The last well put down, however, drilled on the Lamar Peninsula by Sullivan and Garnet of Corpus Christi and San Antonio, was plugged about seven months ago, after going to 8514 feet and striking a "tight sand."

Barnsdall put a well down about two miles from the spot some seven years ago, Harry Traylor told the Pilot, and brought in production 30 to 40 barrels of distillate oil daily. Gas wastage, however, was so great that the well was shut in.

Too Much Generosity By Taxpayers Gives Puzzle To Official

Maybe it's because people are so prosperous these days. Or maybe it's because they don't read. A. R. Curry, county assessor-collector admits he is puzzled. "But several out-of-county taxpayers have tried to pay their taxes twice this year," he said this week.

"We sent out the pink tax notices and these people mailed in their checks. Then we sent the white tax receipts. In a number of cases, the receipts came back, accompanied by another check."

The duplicate checks, of course, have been returned.

WE CONGRATULATE

Mr. and Mrs. Joe V. Mokry upon the birth of an 8½ pound son at Memorial hospital, Corpus Christi, Wednesday afternoon.

TEXAS POORER BY MILLIONS

Full Extent of Freeze Damage to Fish In Laguna Apalling Says Biologist

The early January freeze cost the South Texas coast at least \$5,500,000 in the value of fish killed in the Laguna Madre and as many millions more as anybody wishes to estimate when future commercial fishing and tourist business is considered.

This was the word the past week from J. L. Baughman, marine biologist and head of the Rockport marine laboratory for the state Game, Fish and Oyster Commission. Baughman confessed himself appalled at the damage when he returned from an extended inspection trip.

He estimated that the kill-off from the freeze would total 16,000,000 pounds and that fishing would be adversely affected for the next two or three years. Judging by the 1940 freeze he said, it will require that long for the fish population to re-establish itself.

"Any estimate," Baughman

said "is only a wild approximation, for there were almost as many large fish remaining on the bottom as were brought ashore by the waves.

"However, it seems reasonably safe to estimate that the fish that could be seen averaged five pounds per foot for a distance of 300 miles." The biologist was counting the full length of shore line both on the mainland and Padre Island. "Add another five pounds per foot for the fish that remained on the bottom," he continued, "and you have a total of almost

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SHORTY TOWNSEND SEES CONSOLATION AS CATFISH FLEE

E. W. "Shorty" Townsend, Rockport boat operator, told The Pilot this week that the overall damage to coastal fishing from last month's freeze may not be as great as feared.

The cold weather, he said, has sent the catfish out of the bays and the Rockport Fish Bowl in search of deeper and warmer water.

"The catfish live on the spawn of other fish," Townsend said. "With them gone, the eggs of better fish will have a better chance to hatch and produce small fish."

He added that, since the freeze, no catfish have been caught.

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Which Way Shall We Pay?

Let's think about this matter of fire loss for a little bit. It's a bill we're going to pay, one way or another. And, unlike other bills, we can end up by paying it doubly.

Rockport and Aransas County can pay it in advance, and get the sort of discount which is usually expected with cash in advance. We can pay it in advance by providing the fire department—The Aransas County Emergency Corps, if you want to be technical—with necessary equipment and funds, and eliminating fire hazards.

We can pay it afterward with sky-high insurance rates and destruction of wealth in the county. We're doing that right now.

We can pay the bill a second time through the new capital and new citizens to locate here because of failure to give top-notch fire protection. We are also paying that way right now.

The failure to give first-rate fire protection is no fault of the men who comprise the fire department. They have cut out a job for themselves that is as big as the department's official name. They leave their business, they ruin their clothing, and they risk their lives to do the job and make the most of the facilities at their disposal. They give their spare time to training. All in the spirit of public service and with no financial reward. What's more, they are glad to do it.

The editor thinks they are doing a bang-up job considering the tough conditions under which they must work. The editor has been a fire-fighter in the course of a varied experience. He has had plenty of experience with big city departments as a newspaper man.

The editor has ridden both of the department's trucks. If you think that the firemen aren't risking their lives, try it yourself for once. The editor has watched the firemen handle several blazes. Try that sometime, too, if you think there is any shortcoming in their spirit.

But the men of the fire department can't do the job alone. They serve all of Aransas County. By the same token, Rockport and Aransas County must support them as the cheapest way to solve the problem of fire loss.

On page one of this paper, the needs and some of the plans for the fire department are set out. It is a constructive and vital plan as far as it goes. The County Commissioners Court is to be complimented upon its vision in considering the purchase of needed equipment. The editor sincerely hopes that the Court will carry through with the idea. No money could be spent to better advantage for the country's welfare.

But the Commissioners Court can't do the whole job of supporting the department. Two other things are needed from the people. One is money. Another is co-operation. It is not a good commentary on us that the firemen must go almost all the way in financing their own public spirited work.

A few dollars invested by citizens of the town in sending one or two members of the department to a fire-fighter's school for a couple of weeks each year would pay huge dividends. A few more dollars to keep the equipment in first class condition would pay similar dividends.

Last week, fire losses in Rockport and Fulton approximated \$1,000 and only a pittance of it was covered by insurance.

Chief Lloyd Lassiter and Assistant Chief Charles Ankele estimate that around \$1,500 would meet the fire department's needs for a year, once a new truck is obtained.

Penalties on insurance rates will total that much, this year on Austin Street alone.

As long as we are under a penalty for big fire losses Rockport and Aransas County can count on continuing to pay high rents and property upkeep. Even more important, we must face the fact that our plans for development of the region are going to be pretty much just wishful thinking.

Here's a place for anybody with ideas to put in his nickel's worth. How about coming up with some ideas that will put the department upon a permanently financed basis without the necessity of resorting to benefits and individual acts of private generosity?

Here's another place for everybody to help, too. How about cutting those weeds on the vacant lots and burning them on days when the wind isn't high? They are more than an eyesore to visitors. They are a positive menace to property and even to life, when considered as a fire hazard.

And what about more water lines?

Constructive Government

Bouquets this week for the County Commissioners Court and the Rockport city administration.

A week ago last Tuesday night, County Commissioners W. B. Allen and J. M. Sparks attended a city council meeting. They participated in discussions, laid out county problems, heard those of the city officials.

Last week, City Councilman James Hanway returned the visit by attending Commissioners Court in the same fashion.

This is constructive government and the type of thing Rockport and Aransas County have long needed. Seldom are the interests of the two governmental units very much at variance. They only seem so when considered separately by separate groups without the other fellows' viewpoint.

Let's have a lot more of this co-operative spirit and action. Together they spell accomplishment and good government.

Fires Damage Home And Car

Two fires with losses which totalled close to \$1,000 plagued the county's volunteer firemen this past week.

Only part of the loss was covered by insurance. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Madden of Fulton sustained a loss estimated at about \$750 Friday when their home just back of Oak Shore Apartments caught from a trash and brush fire. Mrs. Madden was slightly burned.

The second blaze damaged the Ford sedan belonging to Hugh Haddock, editor of The Pilot, and Mrs. Haddock and estimated \$100, Friday night.

Quick Thinking Helps
Madden, who owns the shrimp boat "Leon", said that he had no insurance.

Madden and Mrs. Madden related that he was burning trash in the back yard when Mrs. Madden heard a cracking in a lean-to back room of their home. She opened a door to investigate and a blast of flame struck her in the face and on one hand. She had presence of mind enough, however, to close the door and thus help keep the fire confined.

She was given first aid treatment by members of the fire department.

Short Circuit Costly
Mrs. Madden said that she and her husband had lost almost all their clothing in the blaze as well as some furniture, a feather bed and miscellaneous belongings. The fire was kept from spreading to the remainder of the house.

The Maddens speculated that the blaze had been caused by a spark from the trash fire blowing through a partially opened window.

The fire in the Haddock car apparently originated from a short circuited radio while Haddock was conferring with Marine Biologist J. L. Baughman at the marine laboratory.

It was discovered by Lawrence E. Miller and Glenn F. Hagy who were passing at the time. Fast work had the blaze controlled when Charles Ankele reached the scene with a fire truck. Damage was confined to the radio and non-essential parts of the car.

REALTY TRANSFERS PUT ON RECORD

The following real estate transfers were recorded this past week by County Clerk Herring. All were warranted deeds:

J. Henry and Stella Mae Etheredge, San Patricio County to Joseph B. and Duse J. Branch, lot 45, Copano Bay Subdivision \$1,000.

Joe and Otilla Lara to Manuel Salinas, lots 5, 6, 11 and 12, block 89, Smith and Wood Division, consideration \$1,000.

Emory M. Spencer to Parolee Reid of Jim Wells County, lots 1, 2, 9 and 10, block 45, Doughty and Mathis Subdivision, consideration \$500.

Jesse T. Kyle, Bexar County, to Paul L. Barr, an undivided one-half interest in tract 10, land block 217, Burton and Danforth Subdivision with one-eighth of mineral right; \$10 and other consideration.

T. M. and Mary B. Winsor, San Diego, Cal. to Jesse T. Kyle, Bexar County, tract 10 land block 217, Burton and Danforth Survey; \$250 consideration.

Simon Lee and Lillian T. Sorenson to Mrs. Harry E. Dean, lots 1 and 2, N 1/2 of lot 3, block 3, Doughty and Mathis Subdivision, \$10 and other valuable consideration. (Stamps indicate a \$1000 transaction.)

John C. Mueller, executor of the estate of Lydia Pagel, deceased, of Nueces County, to Mardell Voeklel Stiles et al., lot 13, block 32, Belleville Addition; \$10 and other consideration.

F. G. and Doris Huffman to Frank S. and Iona Campbell lots 23 and 37, Copano Village Subdivision (two transactions); \$2,000 consideration for both.

Elizabeth E. and James T. Down to Travis R. Wendell, lots 1, 2, 15, 16, block 3, Fulton addition; \$1000 consideration.

William P. and Lela A. Thomasson, San Antonio to J. W. and Mrs. Patsy Ketchum, lots 1 and 1WFE, block 30, Doughty and Mathis and Manning Division; \$10 and other consideration.

James E. English, San Antonio, to J. W. and Mrs. Patsy Ketchum, lots 2 and 2WFE, block 30, Doughty and Mathis and Manning Division; \$10 and other consideration.

Bolser Sell Home To Railroad Man

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bolser have sold their home on Wood Street, known as "the Buchanan place" to Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Dusch, who came to Rockport from Arkansas and have resided since last April at the Thompson Courts.

Mr. Dusch is a retired railroad man.

The house is a two-story, six-room frame, set on a lot 123 by 256 feet in a grove of 54 oak trees. No consideration was announced.

Reefs Closed To Oystering

The closing of additional reefs to oystering was announced following a meeting of oyster dealers of the Rockport area Saturday. All oyster houses were represented said Marine Biologist J. L. Baughman, for a discussion of the new co-operative program which they and Baughman have worked out.

Beginning last Saturday Pauls Mott Reef was closed to all oystering until further notice. Long Reef was closed from Turtle Stake along

the reef to the shore line.

The oyster men agreed that no more oystering should be done in the outside bays after March 31. Only Copano Bay, inside the causeway, will be worked after that date.

The oyster men also decided that it is desirable to plant seed off Palm Courts and on the old Atwood Reef in front of Rockport. Further, they said, as much as possible of Pauls Mott Reef should be replanted.

To offset the closings, Baughman said that some other areas of the bay are being opened to oystering.

Mrs. Sorenson Heads Cemetery Association

The Rockport Cemetery Association met at the Courthouse Monday afternoon with the president, Mrs. John C. Sorenson, presiding.

After the routine business session, the following officers were elected to serve the organization for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. John C. Sorenson; 1st vice-president, Miss Vivian Picton; 2nd vice-president, Judge B. S. Fox; 3rd vice-president, A. L. Bruhl; secretary, Miss Velma Picton; and treasurer, Mrs. Travis Johnson.

The following officers were ap-

pointed by the president: parliamentarian, Mrs. S. F. Jackson; assistant secretary, Miss Grace Smith; ways and means chairman, Mrs. James G. Hooper; grounds chairman, Mrs. Pat Hooper; membership chairman Mrs. J. W. Brundrett. A. C. Glass and James H. Sorenson Jr. were named the auditing committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Casterline visited their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Miller in Kingsville Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Somer Smith and Jenie Mullinax.

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Pattern No. 8116 is for sizes 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20. Size 14 requires 3 3/4 yards of 35-inch; 1/4 yard of 35 or 39-inch for collar.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS By PAUL MALLON

Released by Western Newspaper Union. GEN. MARSHALL WELL FITTED TO DEAL WITH RUSSIA

WASHINGTON. — The Marshall appointment brings to international leadership, and possible succession to the presidency, an entirely new political force. Where Byrnes was schooled entirely in the trading and compromising of congresses, General Marshall studied in the political objectivity of the army, distinguished himself as an administrator who would not easily change his mind. He even resisted Churchill and the British in war council when his policy demanded it. (The British have interpreted the appointment as a further American turn to the right, although this is a gross over-simplification.) Marshall attended nearly all the international conferences and thus is acquainted with the background of current diplomacy, although he was concerned in the conferences primarily with military aspects. In short, he is suited by temperament and training, and to some extent by intimate experience, to take the second post of American government.

To classify him accurately you have only to look into, and behind, his report on China, made the same day as announcement of his new appointment. Marshall was sent to China by Mr. Truman to handle the completely impossible situation between the rightwing Kuomintang and the Communists. There he met world politics in the raw. No one thought he had a chance of finding a solution; only that he might contribute objective advice while looking out for American interests. (The Communists then were trying to get us to withdraw so they could win China.)

UNDERSTANDS CHINA

His report said the Kuomintang government was dominated by a group of "reactionaries," which everyone knows is true. He charges it with subtle, indirect devastation of his efforts, which is just about what it has done to all previous efforts for adjudication. He charges the Communists with frustrating a peace agreement, says the government believes (apparently he thinks it true also) that the Communists would go into a democratic Chinese government only "with destructive intentions" to revolute it into a communist government. This condition he rightly sees as a stalemate but he advises one hope:

"The salvation of the situation would be the assumption of leadership by the liberals in the government and in the minority parties, a splendid group of men, but who as yet lack the political power to exercise a controlling influence." He wants them to back Chiang Kai-shek for "unity in good government."

Here is a perfectly clear test of Marshall in politics. Confronted with a corrupt reactionary domination and a Communist revolution, he chooses a group of young liberals for "good government," who are not intertwined with either, but despise both. Only for propaganda purposes could a cockeyed British Socialist or a completely blind Communist misinterpret this advice as indicating rightism, or anything except the best interests of the people of China. If China is to extricate itself from chaos, it will come to his proposition—and it will eventually.

OUR POLICY 'COMMON SENSE'

Now Marshall is coming to the first mate's job near the helm here at a time when this continent preserves just about the only free capitalist democracy left in the world. Britain is going through bankruptcy in socialism, which thus far has proved itself inadequate to produce enough for its people to live. Europe (the eastern half) is sick of communism already and seeking a stable democracy amid difficulties which may be prolonged. Russia has effectively isolated herself from the world, and made herself ineffective in a world commerce, in the world air, upon the world seas—maintaining a superficial world formidability in politics only. She has nothing but brass.

It is clear our people do not want that inferior stuff, are confronted with maintaining principles of individual human freedom around the world in difficult times, as well as our national interests. Our people will never take those political means, whatever happens, but will find their way. This is not rightism but simple common sense.

There is no convincing peace and not likely to be much immediately. In a military truce—which is what this situation is—who could be more logical a choice than Marshall? Interest in the Byrnes' procedure had died here. Marshall's efforts may revive it. Our military men for many years past have been able to deal effectively with the Russians to bring results, where our diplomats in that field lately have sought only retirement. He may bring the Byrnes' policies to fruition. Frankly, this appears to be the best appointment Truman has made.

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Advertisement for The Once Over by H.I. Phillips. Includes image of a man shaving and text: "FIRST ELECTRIC SHAVE"

We just got our first electric razor. Patient and razor are doing well. We found it under the Christmas tree and regarded it with apprehension. People had been shaving with electric razors for years. We knew that. But we had never been much of a hand with machinery. Electricity, we had always thought, was okay in dynamos, transformers, etc., but not among whiskers.

We read the directions and thought of submitting the whole business to our attorney in case of damages. Then we thought of Napoleon, of Wellington, of Old Put, of Fremont and other brave men of history. We took the apparatus out of the box and cried — "Forward! Ours not to reason why! Ours but to plug and try!"

"First be sure the white dot is in the center of the dial," said the shaving orders. Dial? ... Was this a radio or a razor? ... Were we to get a shave or a quiz program? ... Stand your ground, men!

We fixed the dot. We made the necessary connections. We plugged in. The thing was really almost noiseless, but to us it seemed as if we had just started two airplane motors and a gasoline lawn mower. We dropped everything and read the directions again. Then we called down to see if there had been any short circuits.

It was too late to quit now. We thought of the men at the Alamo and pressed on. Our face was unscathed. So was our beard. It seemed we had failed to remove the glass protecting cover from the business end of the apparatus. Life is like that.

We took this off and went to work again. On we went in the spirit of the 49ers and the men at Concord bridge.

Everything WORKED! The beard came off swiftly. Our face remained intact. In fact it came out a better face than when it went in. No blow-outs, no knocks, no backfires. Anybody want an old tube of shaving paste and a brush? Science marches on!

Down the Hatch

Dr. E. M. Jelinek, director of Yale school of alcoholic studies (which we assume tried to trace all unjustifiable thirsts to Harvard or Princeton), says there was more drinking in America in 1946 than ever before. In fact, the people consumed more liquor in nine months than they had in the previous 12. Maybe the Republican victory in November has something to do with it.

But Dr. Jelinek says that despite the fact there was more drinking, there was a decline in drunkenness. That is easily explained by the fact that the bars chisel on the drinks so much that it is almost impossible to feel any effect until after the sixth or seventh.

Can you remember away back when the last thing a working man squawked about was the preliminaries to starting work?

It seemed to us that President Truman was really saying to congress "Do as little as I suggest, Heaven forbid!"

The Chinese are a hardy people. They have had chaos for years, they suffered from war longer than any other nation and they are exhausted and in distress. But nothing seems to annoy them as much as a chance to be rescued.

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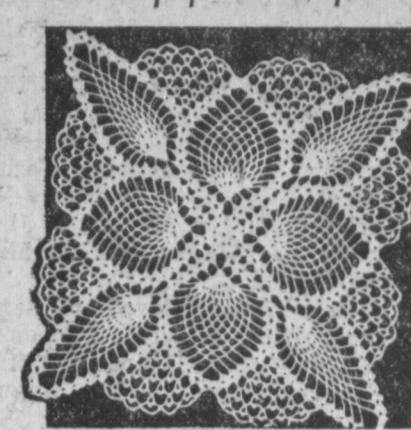
CAN YOU REMEMBER— Away back when established automobile companies managed to see that people owning their cars could get a spare part now and then?

Away back when all radio comedians leaned over backward rather than smear the American home with a leering joke.

TIP TO UNCLE SAM Be a pal of troubled nations— Poor in cash and friendship stout; They will in reciprocation Bellow "Throw that big bum out!"

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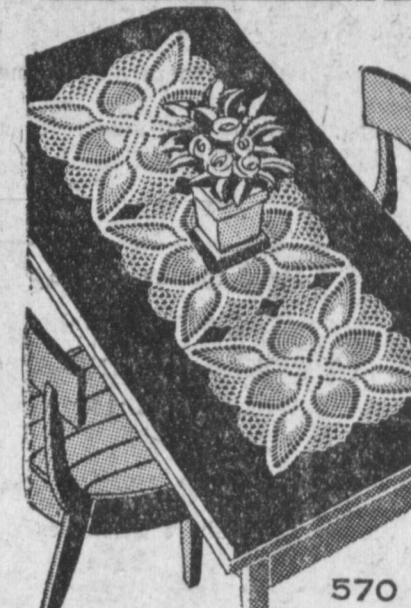
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Advertisement for Prince Albert. Includes image of a man smoking and text: "One Great Tobacco Pleases Two Kinds of Smokers! For pipe or rolling—the tobacco that means more pleasure is rich-tasting, tongue-gentle Prince Albert! FOR SOLID PIPE COMFORT AND TASTY SMOKING, THERE'S NO OTHER TOBACCO LIKE PRINCE ALBERT. GENTLE ON MY TONGUE—A JOY TO SMOKE! 'For my money, Prince Albert just can't be beat'—says Earl A. Cargile. 'You know it's a choice tobacco from the first puff—and smokes mild, cool to the bottom of the bowl.' CRIMP CUT PRINCE ALBERT MAKES A GREAT CIGARETTE. ROLLS UP FAST—AND NEAT. EVERY ONE FIRM—PACKED FULL OF FLAVOR! I've rolled my own with Prince Albert for years," says Ed Bearn. "Crimp cut P. A. rolls up quick as a shot. Every cigarette is firm, easy-drawin', and tastes right too!"

Advertisement for Clabber Girl Baking Powder. Includes image of a woman mixing and text: "'OFF TO A GOOD START' You are off to a good start when you measure the required amount of Clabber Girl into your flour... you are sure to get just the right rise in your mixing bowl, followed by that final rise to light and fluffy flavor in the oven... that's the story of Clabber Girl's balanced double action. For better baking use the baking powder with the BALANCED double action. CLABBER GIRL Baking Powder"

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YOUNG MATRONS AT T. D. PICTON HOME

Mrs. T. D. Picton entertained the Young Matrons' Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon at her home. Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries tallied high score and Mrs. Roy Rogero second high.

Vases of various colored stock decorated the room. A fruit plate, candy and coffee were served to the following guests:

Mesdames Edward Barnard, T. J. Johnson, Charles Roe, Jim Jackson, Herbert Mills, Joe Johnson, Roy Rogero, Harry Mills, Norvell Jackson, Steirly Rozzell, Albert Collier, DeWilton Jeffries, Charles Ankele, Leonard LeBlanc, Marshall Hunt, and Miss Mary Beth Picton.

JUNE HAGUE HONOREE AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Iva Hague entertained Saturday with a party in honor of the sixth birthday of her daughter, June. The young guests enjoyed themselves at games and at snagging their favors from a fish pond.

Sandwiches, cake and cold drinks were served as refreshments.

Guests were: John Urban Hemmi, Theresa Beth Hemmi, Norma Lynn Key, Richard Hapner, Glen Blackwell, Monty Rouquette, Jimmy Hague, Wayne Shults, Mrs. Gene Shults.

Misses Elsie Blackwell and Berta Gene Shults conducted the games and Mrs. Richard Hapner and Mrs. Urban Hemmi assisted Mrs. Hague.

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MISS EULALIA MORRIS, ARVILL D. BALLARD MARRIED IN DOUBLE-RING CEREMONY

Miss Eulalia Morris, known to Rockport as "Bobby", became the bride of Arvill Donnell Ballard on Saturday night at the Methodist church. Rev. Wheeler officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bridal couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Jones, Mrs. Ruby Morris and Noah Taylor. Guests were Miss Molly Sparks, John Henry Ray and Buck Davis.

The bride wore a royal blue coat suit with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Mrs. Jones wore pink with black accessories and Mrs. Morris a rose-colored coat suit with black accessories. Both wore gardenias.

Following the ceremony a wedding reception and supper was spread at the Delmar Grill to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sparks, Mrs. Alma Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Calhoun, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Luke, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Jackson, Richard Sharp, Jack Ballard, Miss Sissie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Collins.

MRS. HUGH MORRISON HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Hugh Morrison gave a party Monday afternoon at her home for her son, Eddie, on his eighth birthday. The Valentine motif was carried out in decorations and favors of red candy boxes.

The children played outdoor games. Cupcakes, each with a candle to match the big birthday cake red jello and striped peppermint candy sticks constituted the refreshments.

Enjoying the occasion were: Phillip Albin, Joyce Ann Barber, Bobbie Close, Jimmy Gillum, Edward Smmons, Patricia and Leon York, Carl Kelly, Carolyn Ruth Smith, Mary Carolyn Craven, Mitchell Ammons, and Marilyn, Hugh Martin and Eddie Morrison.

Mrs. Mary Alice Gray assisted Mrs. Morrison.

JOAN COMING HOME

Four-year-old Joan Hague, who went to the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation last June 18, suffering from the after effects of infantile paralysis, will come home at the end of March practically cured, her mother, Mrs. Iva Hague said. Mrs. Hague and daughter June, 6, visited Joan last week-end.

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PRESBYTERIAN MEN MEET AT HOME OF JIM BART JACKSON

The Presbyterian men met Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bart Jackson. Mr. Jackson, president of the organization, presided over the business meeting.

A project being sponsored by the organization, by which bulletins covering all Rockport church services are to be placed in tourist courts and places of business, was discussed.

Supper was served by Mrs. Jim Bart Jackson. Mrs. Norvell Jackson, Mrs. Fred Brundrett and Mrs. T. H. Pollard of the Women's Auxiliary.

Men present were: Jim Bart Jackson, Norvell Jackson, Ted Little, Floyd Smith, Fred Brundrett, George Lee Brundrett, Houston Foster, Hugh Morrison, W. H. Morrison, Rev. T. H. Pollard and Clyde Hayden.

MISSIONARY GROUP

The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist Church met at the church Monday afternoon. Mrs. Roy Mullinax conducted the regular business meeting. Six members were present.

WE CONGRATULATE

Mr. and Ted Roope upon the birth of a daughter, weight 7½ pounds, Monday at the Roope home.

In the News



MRS. F. G. HUFFMAN HOSTESS TO CLUB

Mrs. F. G. Huffman entertained the Chat and Chew Club at Copano Village last Saturday.

Mrs. Lenoir, at Lenoir's Landing, served the lunch of hamburgers, stuffed eggs, cake and coffee.

The following members were present: Mesdames Huffman, B. E. Caffall, Reid Simmons, C. W. Armstrong. Guests were Mesdames Emory Spencer, Lillian Sorenson, Charlyne Hunt and B. F. Rippey.

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE WITH MRS. BRUHL

The Wednesday bridge club met this week at the home of Mrs. A. L. Bruhl.

Refreshments of angel food tarts, fruit cake, and coffee were served buffet style from a table laid with a white cloth and a center piece of asters. The Valentine motif was carried out in the score cards.

Miss Genevieve Bracht won high score and Miss Mable Bracht second high.

Guests were: the Misses Bracht, and Mesdames L. M. Bracht, Chas. T. Picton, A. C. Curry, Pete Richardson, Fred Booth, Travis Johnson, J. H. Mills and Fred B. Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer LaGrone of O'Donnell, Tex., and Mrs. Sallie Steigler of Tahoka, Tex., are in Rockport to spend the remainder of the winter. Mr. LaGrone owns a large ranch in New Mexico and farms on a big scale in Texas. Members of his circle slyly added that he knows how to brand a yearling or plant cotton, but hasn't learned yet how to catch these salt-water fish. (Editor's note: Give the guy time, girls. Give him time.)

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From out-of-state—Mr. and Mrs. George Whaling, Wichita, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharp, Fort Meyers, Fla.; guests of Mr. and Mrs. Whaling; Mr. and Mrs. David Given, Sulphur, Okla.; Misses Nana and Hallie Holden, Memphis, Tenn. and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Beaman of Corpus Christi. Mrs. Beaman is the Misses Holdens' sister.

At Palm Courts

From Texas — Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McGill and daughter, Alice Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Adams and children, Alice.

From Out-of-State—Dr. and Mrs. John Collins, West Point, Neb. Dr. and Mrs. Leo Conway, Denver, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Wagner, Bowling Green, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Roberts, Plains, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lockhart, Chicago, visiting Mrs. Lockhart's parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Tobias, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Livingston of Grand Rapids, Mich.

At Wells Court

From Texas — Mrs. Pandey C. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Nunley, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ray, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mollenhauer, New Braunfels; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin J. Stasney, Crosby; Mr. and Mrs. Green Fleming and son, San Antonio.

From Out-of-State—Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Takken, Terrace, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Goodhue, St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada.

Former Rockport Man Heart Attack Victim

J. B. Arnold, 71, formerly of Rockport, died suddenly of a heart attack at Teague, Tex., Feb. 2, friends here were informed this week. Arnold, who formerly worked at Kelly Grocery, resided here from 1936 until November, 1945. Survivors include his widow and their two sons, and two sons and two daughters by a former marriage.

Outing For Scouters

District Scout Executive Nutt of Taft will pay a return visit to Rockport Saturday, Feb. 15, to preside over a night hike and outing to the Big Tree. Men who participated in the December school for Scouters will make up the party and complete training.

BUILDING NEW SHOP

H. H. Buckley, long known to Rockport waterfront men for his work on and with boats, is constructing a shop at the rear of his home for the overhauling and rebuilding of marine motors. He is adding new tools and equipment with a view of being able to handle any job.

David Given who, with Mrs. Given, is a guest at The Cedars, has just returned from a business trip to his home town, Sulphur, Okla. He reports it is just as cold at Sulphur as the newspapers say it is.

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"Larceny In Her Heart"

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Allan Ladd and William Bendix in

"Two Years Before the Mast"

Tues., Wed., Feb. 11-12
Dan Duryea and Ella Raines in

"White Tie and Tails"

Thurs., Fri., Feb. 13-14
John Garfield and Geraldine Fitzgerald in

"Nobody Lives Forever"

Generous Aransas County Gives \$362 for Stricken



Once a victim of dread poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), little Nancy Drury, 4, of Louisville, Ky., symbolizes the fight against the disease because of her own splendid recovery. She participated in national ceremonies launching the March of Dimes which ended with last week's March of Dimes Dances, of which the Rockport fete was one.

Generous Aransas County dug down in its pocket and laid \$362.13 on the line for the battle against infantile paralysis. This was the total run Monday for the March of Dimes by Treasurer A. C. Glass.

To be deducted from the total is \$29.25, the cost of buying dinner, last Friday night, for the Navy dance band which came without other cost from Corpus Christi to play for the March of Dimes dance, and some advertising expense.

The project, however, was for well over \$300, net, for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The dinner for the Navy bandman was the committee's way of extending appreciation for the courtesy of the band. The musicians returned the compliment by contributing heavily to a special "Grand March of Dimes" collection taken at the dance.

The collection netted approximately \$39, said Glass and Sorenson. Another \$117 was collected in the donation boxes placed about Rockport by the Campfire Girls. The remainder of the money, approximately \$206 represented admissions to the dance at Club 35.

Jack Blackwell, chairman of the Aransas County chapter of the Foundation highly praised those who made the drive a success.

He complimented K. Theodore who donated the use of Club 35 for the dance and extended appreciation to the dance band and the naval authorities who sent them.

"The success of the dance in itself was also a tribute to the work of Clark Bailey and Jimmy Sorenson" the chairman said. "Nobody can imagine, unless he has organized and directed one of those affairs how much time and work goes into a job such as they handled and handled so well."

Blackwell also extended special appreciation to the Rockport Campfire Girls who distributed and collected the donation boxes and aided with the dance ticket sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Day are visiting Mrs. Day's parents, Dr. and Mrs. George Collins who are spending their seventh winter in Rockport. Mr. Day has just received his master's degree from Harvard University.

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Retired Railroad Conductor Dies

Robert Emmett May, 74, retired Southern Pacific Railroad conductor and father of O. W. May of Rockport suddenly died at his son's home Wednesday night.

The body was taken to Yoakum where funeral services and burial were to be conducted Friday.

Besides the Rockport son, survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ora May, Yoakum; one daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Tiedeman, San Antonio, seven sisters and three brothers.

Mr. May retired from active duty about two years ago, following more than 50 years of railroad service. For the preceding 18 years he had been conductor on a passenger run between Waco and Yoakum. He first became ailing about a year and a half ago and came to Rockport in mid-1946.

Mrs. Claude L. Roberts, visited her husband at Fort Sam Houston hospital, San Antonio, over last week-end. He has been confined there for several weeks.



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Former Rockport Man Heart Attack Victim

J. B. Arnold, 71, formerly of Rockport, died suddenly of a heart attack at Teague, Tex., Feb. 2, friends here were informed this week. Arnold, who formerly worked at Kelly Grocery, resided here from 1936 until November, 1945. Survivors include his widow and their two sons, and two sons and two daughters by a former marriage.

Outing For Scouters

District Scout Executive Nutt of Taft will pay a return visit to Rockport Saturday, Feb. 15, to preside over a night hike and outing to the Big Tree. Men who participated in the December school for Scouters will make up the party and complete training.

BUILDING NEW SHOP

H. H. Buckley, long known to Rockport waterfront men for his work on and with boats, is constructing a shop at the rear of his home for the overhauling and rebuilding of marine motors. He is adding new tools and equipment with a view of being able to handle any job.

David Given who, with Mrs. Given, is a guest at The Cedars, has just returned from a business trip to his home town, Sulphur, Okla. He reports it is just as cold at Sulphur as the newspapers say it is.

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Generous Aransas County Gives \$362 for Stricken



Once a victim of dread poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), little Nancy Drury, 4, of Louisville, Ky., symbolizes the fight against the disease because of her own splendid recovery. She participated in national ceremonies launching the March of Dimes which ended with last week's March of Dimes Dances, of which the Rockport fete was one.

Generous Aransas County dug down in its pocket and laid \$362.13 on the line for the battle against infantile paralysis. This was the total run Monday for the March of Dimes by Treasurer A. C. Glass.

To be deducted from the total is \$29.25, the cost of buying dinner, last Friday night, for the Navy dance band which came without other cost from Corpus Christi to play for the March of Dimes dance, and some advertising expense.

The project, however, was for well over \$300, net, for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The dinner for the Navy bandman was the committee's way of extending appreciation for the courtesy of the band. The musicians returned the compliment by contributing heavily to a special "Grand March of Dimes" collection taken at the dance.

The collection netted approximately \$39, said Glass and Sorenson. Another \$117 was collected in the donation boxes placed about Rockport by the Campfire Girls. The remainder of the money, approximately \$206 represented admissions to the dance at Club 35.

Jack Blackwell, chairman of the Aransas County chapter of the Foundation highly praised those who made the drive a success.

He complimented K. Theodore who donated the use of Club 35 for the dance and extended appreciation to the dance band and the naval authorities who sent them.

"The success of the dance in itself was also a tribute to the work of Clark Bailey and Jimmy Sorenson" the chairman said. "Nobody can imagine, unless he has organized and directed one of those affairs how much time and work goes into a job such as they handled and handled so well."

Blackwell also extended special appreciation to the Rockport Campfire Girls who distributed and collected the donation boxes and aided with the dance ticket sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Day are visiting Mrs. Day's parents, Dr. and Mrs. George Collins who are spending their seventh winter in Rockport. Mr. Day has just received his master's degree from Harvard University.

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Retired Railroad Conductor Dies

Robert Emmett May, 74, retired Southern Pacific Railroad conductor and father of O. W. May of Rockport suddenly died at his son's home Wednesday night.

The body was taken to Yoakum where funeral services and burial were to be conducted Friday.

Besides the Rockport son, survivors include his widow, Mrs. Ora May, Yoakum; one daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Tiedeman, San Antonio, seven sisters and three brothers.

Mr. May retired from active duty about two years ago, following more than 50 years of railroad service. For the preceding 18 years he had been conductor on a passenger run between Waco and Yoakum. He first became sailing about a year and a half ago and came to Rockport in mid-1946.

Mrs. Claude L. Roberts, visited her husband at Fort Sam Houston hospital, San Antonio, over last week-end. He has been confined there for several weeks.



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THE STORY THUS FAR: Martha continued the story of how she had awakened to find Letty standing over her bed with the knife in hand. She and Tom had taken the knife away from Letty, and Martha had gone to the graveyard to bury it while Tom watched over his sick wife. "I hid it—where you found it." A little later Letty suffered a hemorrhage. "She died early this morning," Bob Reynolds pressed her further. "I did it!" Martha screamed. "I killed her. I hated her. She spread stories about Tom and Miss MacTavish." Martha then went into detail of how she went to Alicia's house and waited for her chance, waited until Jim MacTavish left Alicia and then committed the murder.

CHAPTER XVI

"There's a short cut through the woods, and it isn't far. I got my sister to bed and to sleep. As I've already told you, Tom was out of the house. I found Mrs. Stevenson was not alone. I waited—" "She wasn't alone?" Bob jerked her up sharply.

Miss Martha shook her head.

"Mr. MacTavish was with her," she said, and now Megan held her breath and her teeth were clenched. "He left a few minutes after I got there. They had been quarreling. I could only hear a word or two, but I could tell, just looking in at the window, that Mr. MacTavish was very angry and that Mrs. Stevenson was laughing at him."

Megan could see the picture as though she herself had stood outside that window, and it made her shudder. Yet here was the thing that had worried her father—an alibi. She drew a breath of sharp relief.

"I waited until he had gone," Miss Martha went on wearily. "Then I knocked and she opened the door. She was surprised to see me, and not very pleasant. I tried to tell her why I had come, but she only laughed. She said that there must be a lot of truth in the stories about Tom and Miss MacTavish or he and I would not have been so alarmed—and she added that she knew that Letty was—out of her mind—and that she was a menace to the neighborhood. She said she intended to start a movement to have her—committed—" Her voice broke, and after a superhuman effort at control, she said thinly, "And so—I killed her."

It was once more Bob who broke the tense, breathless pause. He still sat on the corner of the desk, and he scrubbed out the glowing tip of his cigarette as he spoke, his eyes on the crushed cigarette in the old glass ashtray, his voice very quiet and gentle. "The truth is, Miss Evans, that you spoke to Mrs. Stevenson, and she answered you about as you have said. You did not kill her—but when you turned to leave the house, you were allowed to see your sister in the doorway behind you, and realized that she had followed you. And it was, in reality, your sister, not you, who killed Mrs. Stevenson."

Bob sighed. He ran his hands through his hair and stood up, white and tired, haggard almost, as though the long scene had been almost as much of an ordeal for him as for the broken, suddenly old woman before them.

"But how could you possibly know—" Megan demanded of Bob. It was late in the afternoon of an extremely hectic day after all the loose ends and the final details of the tragic story had been cleared up. Miss Martha and Tom had departed on their sad errand of "taking Letty home" to lay beside the little son who had never lived.

Megan had asked Bob and Laurence to stay for supper and they had accepted gratefully. And now they were in the living room, with Jim listening and looking on, withdrawn and pale, but genial and pleasant when spoken to.

"I didn't know, of course," Bob answered frankly. "It was just that—well, call it a hunch, what you will. Only I kept hearing something in Miss Martha's words that didn't quite ring true. What she was saying would be completely sincere and convincing. Then something would creep into the story, nothing I could set my finger on, but it was there and I could sense it. Especially that very elaborate ruse of hiding the knife. If it had really been a knife out of the kitchen of her own home, she might have hidden it very carefully about the house. But to get herself up like a particularly terrifying ghost and go sneaking out into the night to hide it in the one place she felt sure would never be found—well, that had me puzzled."

"I thought of that, too, of course," Laurence contributed. "Then when she began to talk about going to Mrs. Stevenson's—remember she mentioned the short cut through the woods? Yet she had been at some pains to assure us that her sister's strength was not sufficient for her to walk to the Stevenson place. But if there was a short cut through the woods, and if her sister, in one of her periods of lucidity, had followed her and overheard her quarrel with the Stevenson woman, and the sister had been frightened, excited, as she most certainly would have been—do you see? The pattern is the sister doing the deed—not Miss Martha. I saw it suddenly, and—well, you know what happened."

Megan slipped away to offer her services to Annie in finishing up supper, but Annie said, "No'm, honey, I's got eve'ything undeh control—y'all go out and git yo'se'f a li'l' bits 'o' fresh air, 'fo' suppeh."

And gratefully, Megan obeyed her.

It was already dusk, though not yet dark enough to obscure the vision. She crossed the backyard to a big old rough bench beneath a live oak tree and sat down, her head back, breathing deep of the crisp night air.

The night was very still, save for the faint shouts of children playing somewhere along the highway; behind her in the barn she heard the rustling of the cows as they settled themselves down for the night. The whole scene was quiet and calm and peaceful. So peaceful that it was hard to believe the horror and tragedy and terror that had gripped the place so short a time before.

She couldn't bear to think of Tom any more. She wouldn't let herself

were cold and hard as he followed her across the yard to the kitchen and into the dining room.

Healthily tired at the end of the day, sleeping soundly at night, Megan discovered, as week followed week, that the memory of those dark, evil days when Alicia Stevenson's malicious tongue had wagged so freely, was growing fainter.

And she realized that Pleasant Grove, as a community, was also recovering from the darkness when Alicia's tongue had set old friends to eyeing each other with more or less veiled suspicion. Other farm families were finding release from dark memories in the ever new, yet age-old miracle of the dark earth, the tiny seeds, the new, tender green sprouts that meant life and hope and the future.

She was touched and grateful to Jim for his honest, if bungling, attempts to help her. She tried not to let him know that his hands were clumsy with the delicate, fragile plants that he tried to pack. She knew he was bored, and that he resented the hard, back-breaking labor that it takes to run a farm effectively.

He came back from Meadersville late one afternoon, his eyes shining with excitement, obviously with news that he considered of great importance.

It was already dusk, and the darkness had driven Megan in from the fields. She had shed her earth-stained dungarees, had a shower and was dressed for supper, busy in the kitchen helping Annie with the last duties of getting the meal on the table, when Jim came hurrying in.

"The most marvelous thing has happened, Meggie—I've been offered a splendid 'opportunity!'"

"Tell me," said Megan, eager and interested, loving him for the understanding she had acquired of him since his moment of self-revelation after Alicia's death.

"Well, you know the county newspaper in Meadersville? The Sentinel?" demanded Jim, as eager and excited as a boy. "Dick Morgan publishes it. Well, Dick's been drafted and he wants me to take over until he comes back!"

He beamed at her happily and Megan said quickly, "It is wonderful, Dad—but well, you've never had any newspaper experience—do you think—"

Jim looked a little sulky.

"Oh, I know that, but after all, Dick feels that I have other qualifications," he pointed out. "And Mrs. Morgan will stay on as business manager and write the woman's page and all that. What'll I have to do to write the editorials, and what news I can pick up. Mostly, right now, it comes from a wire service, because about the only two things people are interested in are the war and politics. And there's a fellow in Washington who acts as correspondent for a lot of county newspapers, Dick's paper among them. And Dick's got three weeks before he reports for induction and he feels that in that length of time he can get me settled in, help me to learn the ropes and all that. Of course, the salary is really laughable—but I get a share of the profits and all that."

"It is wonderful, Dad, and of course you can do it!" Megan assured him, sincerely. "I'm terribly proud of you."

Jim looked at her oddly and then he asked, almost curiously: "Are you, Megan? Funny—I can't remember when anybody ever said they were proud of me."

Megan felt a little quick mist of tears in her eyes, but she knew this was no time for the display of pity that she felt for his humility—his tacit admission that he had always hungered for appreciation, even while he had admitted to himself that he deserved no such appreciation.

"But of course, I'm proud of you, Dad—now you'll get to make use of all that study and research you have done these last few years!" she told him happily. "I'll bet there isn't another man in the whole county who has read as much, or studied as much, of current events as you have."

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It was already dusk, and the darkness had driven Megan in from the fields. She had shed her earth-stained dungarees, had a shower and was dressed for supper, busy in the kitchen helping Annie with the last duties of getting the meal on the table, when Jim came hurrying in.

"The most marvelous thing has happened, Meggie—I've been offered a splendid 'opportunity!'"

"Tell me," said Megan, eager and interested, loving him for the understanding she had acquired of him since his moment of self-revelation after Alicia's death.

"Well, you know the county newspaper in Meadersville? The Sentinel?" demanded Jim, as eager and excited as a boy. "Dick Morgan publishes it. Well, Dick's been drafted and he wants me to take over until he comes back!"

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Gems of Thought

THE individual who begins work today, if he can, on the things he will be obliged to do tomorrow, is one who always finds himself in demand.

Whether one lives in a city, Or far away on a farm, The place to find a helping hand Is at the end of one's own arm.

There is a solution for every problem.—Emerson.

The difference between intelligence and an education is this—that intelligence will make you a good living.—Kettering.

We can well afford to doubt a seeming injustice, because God's law is sure.—Franklin.

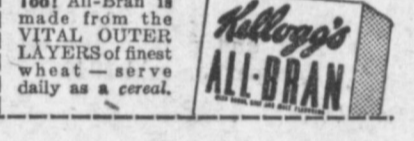


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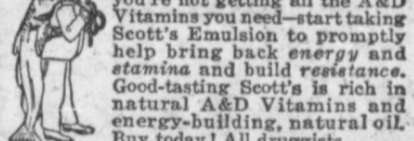
1/2 cup shortening 1 1/2 cups sifted flour 1/2 cup sugar 2 teaspoons baking powder 1 egg 1/2 cup Kellogg's All-Bran 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon grated orange rind 1/4 cup milk

Blend shortening and sugar. Add egg; beat well. Stir in Kellogg's All-Bran and orange rind. Add sifted dry ingredients to first mixture alternately with orange juice and milk. Stir until flour disappears. Fill greased muffin pans two-thirds full. Bake in moderate oven (400° F.) about 30 minutes. Makes 10 orange-y muffins.



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The Broadway Express

The Stage Door: Craig Reynolds, first actor to enlist (and the first to get hit with a Purple Heart), gets so few roles these days he has to take odd jobs to balance the budget. . . . Salaries are rolling back. The \$200 a week comedies again are being offered \$200, instead of the wartime bribe paychecks—and accepting them. . . . Profit on "The Tolson Story" now is figured "in excess of five million bucks." . . . The dog in "Lovely Me" has been ordered to move from his boarding house because he comes in too late (after certain time) and wakes up the other dogs. . . . The role of the fencing champ (he appears only in the first act) of "Cyrano" is so strenuous he has to alternate with another. . . . And you have troubles? Two days after Helen Walker's producer announced she would dance "for the first time" in her next role, she was badly fractured in a crash.

Midtown Vignette: Norman Cordon is the 6' 4" basso of the Met. He is also the top male singer in the revived "Street Scene." . . . Norman believes in direct action. . . . He was dining in a midtown spot when a clunk at the next table slandered FDR and boosted Hitler. . . . Cordon went over, grabbed the nuisance in his arms, carried him to the street and dumped him into the gutter, saying: "You're spoiling my dinner, Adolf!"

The Press Box: Georgia offered a striking illustration of the methods used by Fascists to take advantage of confusion and strong-arm their way to power—completely disregarding the laws. Governor Arnall deserves support for refusing to be pushed around by the Tammany hoodlums. The actions of those muscle-men gave America a chilling example of fascism in action. . . . A Bawstin gazette observed so many generals and admirals are getting top jobs, Washington is no place for a felt hat. . . . After giving the news from Dixie the once-over, you'd never think the Emancipation Proclamation was signed 84 years ago. . . . The Jersey Journal solved the mystery of the "J. S." on the new FDR dime after checking with the government. They do not stand for Joe Stalin. They are the initials of John Sinnock, chief of the Philly mint.

Character Study: He underpays his help but overtips the waiter. . . . He takes cabs to avoid subway crowds but wrestles through choked theater lobbies for a few puffs on a ciggie. . . . He greets every corny line in a show with a cornier comment but thinks a guy is a celebrity when he has more wives than children.

The Late Watch: Those stratosphere salaries paid H'wood stars are coming down fast. Drop in box office receipts, curtailed production, etc., have studios pruning costly player rosters. Many stars, however, are willing to take a shave. Supply and demand, you know. . . . Sonoga will market 20 million new black label platters at 39 cents retail. That 20 to 40 p.c. under current market and is the first price break in this field since Dec. 7, 1941. . . . Tropical Park track reports attendance was up 50,000 but the "take" is down 10 per cent. . . . The police have notified all night clubs they must be closed and empty at 4 a. m. This is very funny considering most joints are empty much earlier.

New York Novelette: Justin McCarthy, the young lone-wolf stick-up fool (who was collared recently), is well known to Broadwaymen. . . . He sold several of them plenty of "shares" in an electronic and helicopter firm which flopped. . . . Most of his suckers are no little miffed with Justin because "he didn't at least apologize" with some of the loot he got away with—sticking up night club patrons in their cars—as they waited for lights to change. . . . He almost talked a famed radio star into starting a manufacturing company with him. . . . One of his stock victims was ready to tell the gendarmes about him six months ago (which would have ended his career of crime before it started), but Justin talked him out of it. . . . The irony of it: Had he gone to the hoos'gow then the term would have been short. Now he may spend his life in jail.

Truman's admiration for Sec'y of State Marshall amounts to hero worship. He is said to have referred to Marshall as "the greatest living American." . . . Alan Ladd doesn't know when he's well off; just bought a coast night club. . . . Despite the slump everywhere, gambling houses across the river report a 15 per cent uptake. . . . Bookies are blowing their tops because too many femmes are horning into their racket. . . . Mrs. FDR shaking hands with a passerby admirer near the Sherry-Netherland hotel.

Household Hints

In soldering, remember that the metals to be joined must be heated to the melting point of the solder before it will "take" properly.

While slipcovers are still damp, iron just the flounces, then work the damp slipcover over the chair. Saves ironing and produces a better fit.

Clothing should never be dried over heat, nor should it be ironed dry.

In making yeast bread, it is most important to avoid letting dough get too light or rise too long. Let it rise until doubled, but not more than doubled.

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J. A. Rogers Fined For Possession of Ducks

J. A. Rogers, dairy man living near Rockport, was fined \$10 and costs, a total of \$21 this week in Justice of the Peace Joe Smith's court when he pleaded guilty to illegal possession of two teal ducks.

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that Ballard Drug Store whose address is Block 8, Austin, Street, Rockport, Texas, has applied for a Package Store Permit from the Texas Liquor Control Board, that the location of the business at which said permit is to be issued is located on the east side of Block 8, City of Rockport, Texas, Aransas County, that the name of the owners are Dan B. Conoly, Beeville, Texas; Shelley P. Roaten, Rockport, Texas, and that the name of said business is to be operated as Ballard Drug Store. c42

Hedgpeth Does Revision For Encyclopaedia

Dr. Joel Hedgpeth of Rockport, marine biologist of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, has made his first contribution to the Encyclopaedia Britannica, the publishers announced this week.

He has revised the article on "Pycnogonida" (a group of marine animal with very small bodies and disproportionately long legs) for the 1947 revised printing of the Britannica.

Articles by more than 4,000 distinguished scholars and other authorities from 62 countries and about 550 universities, colleges and other scientific, cultural and educational institutions appear in the 1947 Britannica.

A revised printing of the reference work has been published each year since 1932 when the policy of continuous revision replaced the old "edition" system.

Mr. Jack Oatman, Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman of Kansas City, Mo., were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dewhitt and Lawton Shults. They are double cousins of Mrs. J. E. Dewhitt and are very much interested in going in business in the coast country.

Your Week FEBRUARY 10-16. Includes weekly news snippets: MON 10: IN ROMANCE BE WISE... TUE 11: THOMAS A. EDISON BORN 100 YEARS AGO... WED 12: GEORGIA DAY ANNIVERSARY... THU 13: TODAY'S BIRTHDAY... FRI 14: ST. VALENTINE'S DAY... SAT 15: 5 YEARS AGO TODAY THAT SINGAPORE... SUN 16: 45 YEARS AGO THE RUSSO-JAP WAR BEGAN.

State To Sell 5 Boats, Parts

Five boats and some other equipment owned by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission are to be put up for sale. The announcement was made following a visit, late last week, of Vernon Skaggs, auditor for the commission to Rockport.

Listed for the sale, which is to be officially advertised later were: The Puldew, a 20-foot power boat with a small cabin.

The Sweetie, a 26-foot Christ-craft without motor.

The Dovie, a tunnel stern, cabin job stationed at Port Isabel.

One motor skiff and one 20-foot skiff.

One hand winch and a collection of motor parts.

The sale is occasioned, Skaggs said, through a program of rearrangement and modernization of the commission's plant and equipment in this area.

The sale is to be made by sealed bids, but J. L. Baughman, head of the Rockport marine laboratory, said the material can be seen at any time upon application to the local office of the commission.

Two Sets Of Books Given High School

Two valuable donations were made this week to the high school library. A set of 15 volumes on psychology and teaching, from Mrs. Jesse Rundell, and set of classics, also some 15 volumes, from Mrs. Corine Evans Dugilowsky of Buffalo, New York, make a handsome addition to books available to the students and teachers.

Four New Members In Chamber of Commerce

Three new members enrolled this week in the Rockport Chamber of Commerce. They were:

Bob Ayers, Supt. J. F. Harbin, the Del Mar Grill and E. J. Albin. All left their enrollment at the Chamber office in The Pilot building with Secretary-Manager Hugh Haddock.

Miss Nana and Hallie Holden, now at The Cedars and recently of Memphis, Tenn., will make their home in Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Armstrong of Houston are spending a few days in Rockport, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Armstrong.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh Lem's Dogs vs Thad's Chickens Running a newspaper, you get to know a lot about human nature. Thad Phipps was in the other day, all burned up. Wanted me to run an item on how Lem Martin's dog had raided his chickens again, and ought to be put away by law. I told him: "Lem was in on Saturday. Said you shouldn't be allowed to keep those chickens so close to his house—and in a residential zone, at that." Thad shuts up right pronto then. And that very evening I see him making his peace with Lem

Boy Scout Week To Open Friday

Rockport Boy Scouts will join with Scouts throughout the nation in observing National Boy Scout Week which begins Friday and continues until Thursday, February 13.

Observance here will be less active than in many places, Scoutmaster Clark Bailey said this week but the Rockport Boy Scouts will mark the occasion by wearing their uniforms to school and on the street.

A number of the Rockport Scouts also are taking tests to qualify for merit badges. One set of such tests was given on an overnight camping trip Saturday night and Sunday when Assistant Scoutmaster

Bill Gray and David Herring, junior assistant scoutmaster, accompanied a group of six boys. The camp was pitched near the airport.

Monday night the scouts cancelled their usual meeting and Bailey and Assistant Scoutmaster Fred Bracht took two carloads of the boys to Aransas Pass to attend a court of honor where Eagle Scout rank was conferred on two Aransas Pass lads.

The observance of Boy Scout Week, marking the 37th anniversary of the organization in America is termed "the nation's largest birthday celebration among young citizens."

The Boy Scouts of America, first incorporated in 1910 after the movement had spread here from England, now number 1,980,000 boys. Nearly half a million men in the country are giving their time and energy to the movement, most of them without pay. More than that, Scouting is an international movement with nearly four and a half million boys enrolled in various countries of the world.

"Pyorrhea" May Follow Neglect

Did you ever see an attractive person with irritated "GUMS"? Druggists refund money if first bottle of "LETO'S" fails to help. Ballard Drug Store, successor to A. L. Bruhl.

NOTICE

Bids or proposals to act as depositories for County and School Funds of Aransas County, Texas, for a two year period beginning in February 1947 will be considered by the Commissioners' Court of said County in their regular meeting place at their regular February term in the County Courthouse at 10 A. M. Monday, February 10, 1947.

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Thomas A. Edison Centennial 1847-1947 His Words Like His Works Will Live Forever! "So long as there remains a single task being done by men or women which electricity could do as well, so long will that development be incomplete. What this development will mean in comfort, leisure, and in opportunity for the larger life of the spirit we have only begun to realize. Great days are ahead of this nation and the world. And electricity will have a great part to play, granted only that it can be unfettered, with full opportunity for the largest possible individual initiative and energy." Preface by Mr. Edison to "ALADDIN, USA" by ERNEST GREENWOOD, Harpers, 1928. "My message to you is: Be courageous. I have lived a long time. I have seen history repeat itself again and again. I have seen many depressions in business. Always America has come out stronger and more prosperous. Be as brave as your fathers before you. Have faith. Go forward." Mr. Edison's last public utterance, made June 11, 1931. This month we commemorate the 100th anniversary of a great man's birth. Thomas A. Edison was a true friend to humanity, a rare combination of genius and common sense. His inventions raised our living standard. His words reflected his wisdom, and they are as significant today as when they were uttered. CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY



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Roast, Select chuck, lb.	39c
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Millions Lost In Fish Freeze

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16,000,000 pounds.

This is more fish than were caught by all the commercial fishermen in Texas in the past three years, and at the present retail price of around 35 cents a pound, it means Texas is \$55,500,000 poorer than before the freeze.

From San Antonio Bay in Texas to the eighth pass of the Laguna Madre in Mexico, fish by the millions littered the shore in windrows. Baughman related in describing the catastrophe. "The bottoms of bays and the Laguna were covered with fish that had never come to the top, and for miles in the upper Laguna a boat was never out of sight of floating trout, huge sows, 20 inches to two feet in length.

"Some idea of the devastation can be gathered from the following figures. At Bird Island, in the upper Laguna, in ten paces, there were ten one-pound trout, two of 24-inches that would weigh seven to eight pounds and one thirty-inch redfish. In another ten paces, I found eight 12- to 14-inch trout and one 12-inch drum. In three more ten-pace areas, I found 100 fish each."

Below Brownsville, Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks, well known to sports fishermen of this area, estimated that well over a million pounds were killed in that section of the Laguna.

"They told me they had driven for six miles along the shore, and that for the entire six miles there were always the same huge windrows of fish. A man from the Lorina Fishery at Brownsville estimated that, within a block, it would have been possible to pick up 120 tubs, or 10,200 pounds of trout, redfish and drum."

Gulf fish were not the only sufferers from the freeze, however.

Baughman's Brownsville informant said he saw one 20-foot alligator which had died. In the Brownsville - Port Isabel area, the biologist said he saw black bass as large as two pounds each floating in the canals and resacas. Rio Grande perch were numerous, and many of them large.

"The destruction apparently was greatest," Baughman related, "where the fish had been caught on the shallow flats and could not reach deeper water.

"Here the 29-degree drop in water temperature numbed them. The small fish floated ashore, their gills still struggling to give them oxygen to live. The large ones sank and smothered because of their inability to breathe."

Aside from the fact that the fish died of suffocation, additional freak facts appeared. Baughman and other biologists are puzzled by the fact that no small redfish were found among the dead. Big ones up to 48 inches—"the biggest redfish I ever saw in my life"—were there, Baughman said. But no little ones. Where did they go? What happened to them? The fish men are still wondering.

The death of salt-water pike in large numbers indicated that those fish have been holding out. A few have been caught previously off Galveston, but not many. Great numbers of them were killed in the Brownsville ship channel, and they crossed everybody up even more by turning up their toes in the Rockport yacht basin.

"Appearance of these fish so far north is unusual," Baughman commented by way of telling that he had another new one to figure out.

Waterfront Row Goes To Court

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their stand. The city claims that laws and grants back near the beginning of the century give it control over the shore to the water's edge, even though some of that shore may have been created by sea bottom pumped from the Navigation District's grant in channel deepening operations.

On the other hand, the Navigation district bases its claim to control on the Allied patent and the recognized legal theory that structures built on a given piece of property belong to that property.

Firemen Seek New Equipment

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They added that members of the Rockport volunteers squad would give enough of their time to recruit and train a volunteer company in Fulton.

"The way matters are now," Ankele told the Chamber directors Monday night, "we lose sometimes as much as ten minutes getting to Fulton to a fire. The first ten minutes of a fire are the vital minutes. The more we can cut the time of getting to a fire, the more we can cut the loss."

Ankele pointed out that stationing equipment at Fulton would not deprive that section of protection from downtown, but would prevent pulling all equipment from Rockport for one blaze and leaving the business district without fire protection.

The two fire department heads said that the existing equipment is in good shape, as far as it goes, and that the department has all of the hose it can carry on the two trucks. All of the hose, furthermore, is sound and relatively new.

Fire Plugs Also Needed

"Just the same," Lassiter said, "we can't give the town the fire protection it really needs until additional water mains are laid. If we can get to fire plug or to the bay, we can work. But I'd estimate that 35 per cent of the houses in town are beyond reach from any fire plug."

"That means that we must fight fires in such locations with the 800 gallons of water we carry on the two trucks."

Fire protection and lowered insurance rates are seen by Rockport's civic leaders as two necessities to any marked development of Aransas county.

In former years, Rockport enjoyed a 25 per cent credit on its insurance rates, Ankele said. Then came to disastrous fires. Today, A. C. Glass told The Pilot, Rockport is penalized 15 per cent of the rate, the highest penalty allowed by law in Texas.

New equipment and a continuing fund for support and training of the fire department would be strong factors in any reconsideration of the insurance rate by the underwriters.

Mrs. W. H. Morrison is in Santa Rosa, N. M., "ushering in grandchild No. 10" her husband said this week. Gone already for the past two weeks, she will remain at least another week, Mr. Morrison said. Parents of the grandchild are Donald B. Morrison, superintendent of schools at Santa Rosa, and his wife. En route, Mrs. Morrison visited another son, Paul W. Morrison at Midland, Tex.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Holloman and Miss Mildred Shofner of Port Lavaca were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Sorenson of Forest Park Cottages in Fulton.

Mrs. Ruby Morris has received word that her brother Harold Parker of Sulphur Springs, Tex., and formerly a resident of Rockport, has returned to the United States from Germany where he had been serving with the army of occupation. He plans on visiting Mrs. Morris in the near future.

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VFW Highlights Boy Scout Week

Rockport Veterans of Foreign Wars, sponsors of Boy Scout Troop 49, highlighted observance of Scout Week with starts Friday with plans for a picnic and announcement of a campsite for the youngsters.

The post will be host at a picnic and outing Saturday afternoon, Assistant Scoutmaster Bill Gray member of the post, announced following the Wednesday night meetin. Boys wishing to attend, Gray said, should contact their scoutmasters or Chief Petty Officer Judkins.

Completion of arrangements to give the Scouts a permanent camping ground was announced at the meeting. Chief Judkins and DeWilton Jeffries have been making arrangements for a site at the northwest edge of the timber at the present navy airport.

Judkins revealed that authorities at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station have given permission for the boys to stake out their site upon signing of an agreement by the sponsoring committee to hold the navy not responsible for any mishaps.

Post Commander C. B. Gray presided at the meeting. Seven other officers and 14 members were present, voted in three new members and set the initiation for the next meeting, Feb. 19.

Good Dairy cows should have plenty of roughage from now until grass comes on again.



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