

## Development Looms For Beach As Recreation Area

### Gym Fund Drive Ends With Plans to Equip Structure

Along The Waterfront



- A WEATHER BREAK
- NEAR RECORD CATCHES
- EVERYBODY GET 'EM
- PERCH CLUBBER

JULY 4 WEEK-END WAS NO break for the fish, but it certainly was the high point of the year to date for the fishermen. The winds which have plagued the anglers all spring and summer calmed, the water cleared, and the trout gave their appetites a workout. Practically everybody who went to the reefs got fish and lots of them.

THE CATCH TO STOP ALL catch stories for the year was brought in by three men from Kemah, Texas: Gene Plotzer, H. C. "Backlash" Beck, and Bill Ploeger.

The three, aboard Plotzer's boat, "Humpty" went to Cedar Bayou Saturday, W. B. Allen related. They caught—hold to your hats, boys—they caught 460 trout. And if you think that's good, you can take Allen's word for it that not a fish was under 12 inches long and from that up to 22 inches.

BUT THEN, THERE ARE ALWAYS two ways of looking at any fish story competition and George Devine, who operates the fishermen's flight service, in partnership with Len Crook gave the other side.

Last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Devine and the Seabee plane which the service operates took out the following parties: Pat Patrick and Bob Humble of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sorenson and son of Aransas Pass; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Flanigan and Mr. Flanigan's 78-year-old father and Henry Goines of Aransas Pass.

The catch for all parties was 541 trout, 38 flounder and 18 redfish. One flounder weighed 8½ (Continued on last page)

### Group Picked to Direct Spending Of Surplus Cash

Purchase to be Made As Needs Develop With Completion

The fund campaign for the high school gymnasium and community center building was officially wound up Wednesday night and plans were laid to spend the over-subscription for equipment to permit wider use of the building.

The action was taken at a citizens' meeting at the high school. The meeting took the place of the regular monthly Chamber of Commerce meeting and was held under Chamber of Commerce auspices.

Chairman Fred Bracht said that the fund now has reached \$3723 and that pledges of about \$125 are yet to come in.

Gifts will be accepted up until Saturday night, the group decided.

MANY SUGGESTIONS

Additional donors to the fund this past week have been Neally Parr; Bernard Webb, Preston Paul, O. W. James, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Townsend, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Brundrett.

A number of suggestions, ranging from a juke box to athletic equipment for the gymnasium were advanced for using the money. Pending completion of the gymnasium building however, the group adopted a "wait and see" attitude, preferring to suit purchase to need as the building nears completion.

A committee was authorized to canvass the situation and to direct the expenditure of the surplus funds, above the \$3,000 pledged to the school board, as its judgment dictates.

In addition to Bracht, who will serve in an advisory capacity, the committee consists of Mrs. S. F. Jackson, Mrs. Marshall Hunt, Mrs. Ruby Hart, John Ramseur and Jack Horton, owner of Oleander Court.

LITTLE DELAY SEEN

It was the general sense of the meeting that the surplus funds be used to permit the widest possible participation in the use of the gymnasium. There was indication that considerable attention would be given to the needs of high school girls who have been pretty much left out of the school's athletics.

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### To Dallas Meeting



When Hope Skillman, New York fabric converter and stylist, appears before the Cotton Research Congress at Dallas, Texas, this month, she will receive a royal welcome, in recognition of achievements in fabric design which have helped to bring cottons into high fashion. She works in no other fabric.

### Funeral Services For Dr. C. F. Cron As Area Mourns

Sudden Heart Attack Claims Life After Errand of Mercy

Funeral services were held at 5 p. m. Tuesday for Dr. Charles Fletcher Cron, for 14 years the custodian of this entire area's health and, what is more, one of its most highly regarded citizens.

The services were held from the Presbyterian church, with Rev. T. H. Pollard conducting, and Rev. C. N. Jones and Rev. W. B. Wheeler assisting, burial followed in the Rockport cemetery.

Palbearers were Emory M. Spencer, B. W. Hamblin, Travis Johnson, Fred A. Bracht, Charles Roe and Floyd G. Huffman.

Practically all businesses in Rockport closed and practically all actively suspended for the funeral.

Dr. Cron died at 5:30 a. m. last Saturday. The immediate cause of death was a sudden heart attack—coronary thrombosis—but friends who knew him best said that the real cause of his death was over-work. They said that he drove himself far beyond the limits of strength in order to care for all those who needed a physician.

Actually, his death followed his return from an errand of mercy which proved fruitless.

Native of Iowa

Dr. Cron was called to attend a Mrs. Hastings, 78 years old, who became suddenly ill while vacationing here. Realizing that she was in a critical condition, Dr. Cron, accompanied her as she was raced toward San Antonio and a hospital there. Midway of the trip, however, the patient died.

Returning to Rockport, Dr. Cron stopped at Beville for a hurried lunch. When he reached home at 4:30 a. m., he complained of an attack of acute indigestion. The heart attack and his death followed within the hour, despite the efforts of Dr. Harold Hildebrand who joined Dr. Cron in practice here last spring.

Dr. Cron would have been 59 on August 11. He was a native of Gladbrook, Iowa, where he attended elementary and high schools. He attended the University of Iowa and took his medical degree there in 1910. Soon after graduation, however, his energetic spirit sent him to practice in the Arizona mining towns, and soon he was head of the Arizona state sanitarium.

After a period spent in that post he moved on again, still to the mineral camps, but that time into Mexico—Tampico and the Mexico City area. In those places he not only treated his fellow Anglo-Americans, but the Mexican populace as well and picked up a fluent command of Spanish and an understanding of Mexican customs that served him well later.

Came Here In 1933

From Mexico, he returned to his native Iowa, practiced briefly in several small towns, then set up as a practitioner at Iowa Falls. Within a short time, in 1928, he married Mrs. Cron, formerly Miss Margaret Floy Mossman of Hubbard, Iowa, and soon the young couple were headed back for the Southwest.

In the three years that followed his return, Dr. Cron practiced in El Paso, Sierra Blanca and Van Horn, then moved to Rockport and established himself in 1933 after a brief residence in Corpus Christi. Almost immediately he was appointed county health officer, a post which he held for the 14 years preceding his death.

Dr. Cron became widely known over South Texas, partly because of his various residences, partly because of his work, partly because of the several young physicians whom he helped in setting up practice.

Carried On Alone

Some of the younger doctors remained with him here briefly, then went on to other places. Dr. Cron carried on alone. The war threw an increased burden on him. For awhile, there was no physician in Aransas Pass. Dr. Cron added that town to his list of cares, and (Continued on last page)

### Water Shortage Relief Promised In Short Time

New Well Is Scheduled For Start This Week Under Contract

Relief from Rockport's water shortage, overdue under the verbal agreement between the City Council and Layne-Texas water well drilling concern, was in sight Thursday.

A contract between the city and the Layne-Texas concern arrived in the city hall mail, dated June 26, and under its terms the company agreed to start drilling within 15 days of the signing.

That meant that equipment must be on the ground and work started not later than Friday.

The news was the first welcome word that city officials have had about the water shortage.

The company's representative had previously said that material would be earmarked, equipment moved in and the well completed by mid-July. This assurance was entirely verbal, however.

As July wore on, the water shortage re-appeared and no equipment moved in, tempers of Rockport residents, summer visitors and city officials alike grew short. Numerous vacationers have left town in disgust in the past week.

City councilmen, checking with Layne-Texas were told that the material had not been available, but that it was being assembled. Since the financing on the \$4,200 project had to be handled by the drilling concern, the city administration was in no position to grow firm until the contract arrived.

Completion of the well will require two to three weeks.

### Contract Negotiations Get Under Way As Council Puts Approval On General Plan

DEFINITE PROPOSITION TO BE READY FOR CITY BY END OF WEEK; K. THEODORE MAKES CAFE OFFER WITH CORPUS CHRISTI FIRM OFFERING CASH GUARANTEE ON RIDES

The long desired development of the Rockport beachfront as a tourist attraction seemed imminent Thursday. The City Council, Tuesday night, put its stamp of approval upon a general plan for an amusement park and other concessions there.

V. McLemore of Corpus Christi, a member of the McLemore-Ray Amusement Co. which operates North Beach Park, offered the city 15 per cent of all receipts on rides and concessions and guaranteed a minimum of \$200 monthly during the summer months.

The council authorized City Attorney Clifford Swearingen to draw up a contract which would be acceptable to McLemore and probably to the city, iron the wrinkles out of it Thursday and present it for consideration of the city officials on Friday.

McLemore said that the rides he intends to install are in storage and that they can be put into service here within less than a week after the contract is signed.

NAVIGATORS "GO ALONG"

Mayor Bruhl said that the Navigation Commission is "going along" with the city in plans to get the beach front set up as a tourist attraction and that the Commission would be consulted in the arrangements.

At the same time, the mayor and others pointed out that the agreed settlement between the commission and the city has not yet been approved in district court and that any revenue from use of the beach front would necessarily be put in escrow pending the settlement.

The city, however, would earmark at least a major portion of the revenues for improvement and maintenance of the beach areas.

At the same time that the discussion was carried on by McLemore, K. Theodore made offer for a cafe concession on the beach front. He first offered \$250 a year for the beach club and harbor master's office.

NO BEER

"If you'll let me move my Club 35 building in on the beach, I'll make a much better proposition than that," Theodore told the council. "I'll even put a small bath house for the conveniences of swimmers in connection."

"You know you couldn't sell beer (Continued on last page)

### Second Oil Well At Copano; Tests Made on First

Almost immediate drilling of another oil well at Copano Bay was in prospect Thursday as representatives of the Texas Railroad Commission ran tests to determine the potential and allowable production of Spencer-Kent-Crane No. 1.

The site of the offset well will either be north or northwest of the discovery well.

Boiler fires were out and preparations were being made to skid the equipment to one of two possible sites.

Spencer-Kent-Crane No. 1 was completed last Friday and Floyd Huffman showed up at Johnson's Drug Store with a jar of high-grade crude, referring all inquiries to Emory Spencer for facts and details.

These were that the oil tested 45.8 gravity; that the well was perforated at 7126-36 feet and a 16-hour drill stem test taken on these perforations. On a six-hour gauge on a 3/16 inch choke of under 1775 pounds working pressure the well flowed at the rate of 306 barrels daily.

The well is being dually completed to produce distillate from the gas sand first encountered at about 6,500 feet, as well as crude oil.

Meantime, the City Council decided to withhold any action on drilling within the city limits until the prospect of such drilling became more imminent.

The decision was reached Tuesday night on the strength of a letter from Jack Baumel, chief engineer of the Railroad Commission. Baumel said that the city has the right either to regulate or to entirely prohibit drilling within the city limits as it chooses.

### Aerial Search Follows Report Of Flying Disc

Reports that one of the mysterious "flying discs" had been sighted over Rockport and Aransas Bay brought an intensive aerial search of the shoreline and bay areas last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. H. C. Mullinax reported having seen what she believed to have been one of the discs which have mystified the country in recent weeks.

She said she believed that the disc fell into Aransas Bay.

The Pilot immediately notified the Corpus Christi Naval base and the search followed. Apparently, however, so far as any announcement was concerned, the hunt was fruitless.

Mrs. Mullinax told The Pilot that the strange object was first sighted by her daughter, Ruthie, 13, and Joyce Ann Barber, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barber. The two girls were playing at the Jim Barber home about 2:15 p. m. Monday when they spotted the disc heading inshore from off the bay. They called Mrs. Mullinax and then Mrs. Barber, who was asleep at the time.

Mrs. Mullinax said that the disc appeared to wobble in an erratic course, almost as if it was being driven before the wind. Then it shifted course to the south.

"It looked as big as a dishpan," Mrs. Mullinax related, "and acted as if it was in a tail-spin."

She said it alternately turned a bright, flashing side that reflected the sunlight, then a thin edge "that looked like a bird flying away off in the distance."

The object gradually settled and appeared to drop into the bay south and a little east of Rockport, she said.

### Building Permit Issued

The City Council Tuesday night voted to issue a building permit on the high school gymnasium-community center building now under process of re-erection. The chief question involved was whether a street which crosses the site had been vacated by the city. The council decided that it had.

### MAYBE INDIANS HAD SOMETHING ON BALL IN FARMING IDEA

Could be the Indians had something on the ball when they turned the crops and the garden work over to the women.

Plumber John Ray came to the Pilot office at last weekend with a watermelon that weighed 54½ pounds. He proudly explained that the melon came from the Ray family garden.

"Mrs. Ray raised that melon," he proclaimed. "I didn't have anything to do with it."

### Negro Falls Overboard, Swims 16 Miles

Baines "Pop-Eye" Luddington, negro deck hand employed by the Fulton Fish Co. didn't care, Thursday, if he never goes swimming again. He had had enough.

Luddington, working with Capt. Tony Garcia on the shrimper "Elizabeth J.," fell overboard about 3 p. m. Wednesday approximately five miles at sea from the Aransas Pass jetties, William Johnson, head of the firm, said Thursday. Garcia didn't miss him.

There was only one thing for Luddington to do and he started doing it—swimming, and in large measure. He had on his shoes and couldn't get them off, and the knowledge that he might land up on a busy beach made him retain his trousers. What was more the tide was against him.

But between wind and current, and the fact that he was a strong swimmer, Luddington made the beach on Mustang Island near Corpus Christi Pass about 7 p. m. Johnson estimated the swim at between 15 and 16 miles.

Luddington was finally rescued from the beach by a man identified here only as a Mr. Creager, vacationing in the Corpus Christi area. "Luddington showed up at my

### LIFE'S PEACHES AND CREAM

### Child Ill From Grief Finds Strayed Pet Through Mayor

Life was all peaches and cream again Thursday for Buddy and for seven-year-old Peggy Jane Randolph of Austin, Tex. But things had looked pretty drab, to say the least, for awhile. Buddy, you understand, is a friendly red cocker spaniel, and Peggy Jane's pal.

Monday, a letter came from Peggy Jane's mother, Mrs. Victor H. Randolph, to The Pilot.

"On July 4th we came to Rockport for fishing and spent the night," Mrs. Randolph wrote. "Sometime during the night, we lost our little girl's red cocker spaniel dog. He answers to the name of 'Buddy'.

"Since losing him, our little girl (Peggy Jane) is grieving herself sick. She won't eat and is running a temperature. Won't you please help find him?"

Mrs. Roy Woods, wife of one of The Pilot's owners, recalled that Mayor Bruhl had mentioned, Saturday, that a stray cocker spaniel had come to the Bruhl home and made himself welcome. The dog wore a vaccination tag that match-

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### SMART DOG FOUND ROOM WHILE FAMILY SLEPT ON BEACH

"We always thought of this dog as being without a great deal of sense," Victor H. Randolph wrote of Buddy at mid-week in a note of appreciation to The Pilot. "But the wife and I have changed our opinion of him.

"We slept on the beach the night we were in Rockport because we couldn't find a room.

"But the dog found a room. Not just a room, but a home with the first citizen of the city."

### Continental Trailways Joins Rockport C. of C.

A membership in the Rockport Chamber of Commerce, accompanied by a check for a full year's dues, was received this week by the Chamber office from Continental Trailways Bus System.

The membership was taken on recommendation of X. L. Grant-ham, district passenger agent, who recently checked on the work being done by the Chamber.

The bus system, which serves Rockport, expressed "definite interest in your community" and a desire to participate in constructive town-building projects.

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## Bright Prospect for the Beach

The majority of Rockport residents, as well as those outside the city limits whose incomes stem from the tourist and vacation business, will applaud the City Council's attitude, Tuesday night, toward development of the beachfront area as a recreation spot.

It is sincerely to be hoped that a contract will be worked out between the city and the McLemore-Ray Amusement Co. as speedily as possible. The arrangement proposed, and viewed favorably by the council, appears to Rockport's advantage in many ways.

The Pilot has believed that the Navigations Board's attitude toward the beachfront areas is basically sound and correct. Yet, since the beachfront is so tied up with the city's development, it viewed with pleasure the prospect of a settlement which would put the area under city control. The Pilot is happy that the Navigation Board has shown a spirit of co-operation with city officials and indicated a willingness to join in pre-settlement steps to set up improvements there. That is the type of government which Rockport needs.

Yet The Pilot could not take a cheerful view of the city's control of the area unless some set-up should first be made to pay the cost of maintenance.

The pending arrangement with the McLemore-Ray Amusement Co. would seem to provide that set-up. It should be the first step in a general development program which could, conceivably, lift the city out of its present financial straits.

Yet the arrangement does not tie up the beach front indefinitely. If Travis Bailey and his associates do work out any program advantageous to the city, the way is left open for them to make their proposition.

Overshadowing all, however, from the common viewpoint is the fact that a long-standing demand for improvement of the beach for tourist entertainment seems about to be fulfilled. Such improvement will not only provide extra entertainment for local residents, but will bring in enough additional people that it will put money in the pocket of every person in Rockport.

## Long Live Reason

The editor has long admired the stand taken by Managing Editor Bob McCracken of the Corpus Christi Caller-Times on the matter of collars, ties and long sleeves for men in Texas summertime. McCracken has held forth long and vociferously that in this section they're about as sensible as two tails on a dog.

For that stand, the editor considers Mr. McCracken a gentlemen and a scholar and a man of parts. But just what kind of parts can only be guessed. Mr. McCracken is still fettered to some degree by the stodginess of city customs. Which brings us to consider Rene Joubert, the "Mayor of Copano Village."

The editor believes that, in Mr. Joubert, he has found the only completely sane and logical man in Aransas County. So firm is that conviction that the editor, this week, has joined him wholeheartedly in striking a blow for freedom.

Mr. McCracken stops with advocating short sleeves. Mr. Joubert quite logically advocates shorts, and wears them with the courage and aplomb of a man in a righteous cause. Which makes the acme of sense.

The editor has advocated the wearing of shorts in the past, but lacked the fortitude to withstand the raucous laughter of his family, the slightly shocked expressions of neighbor ladies and the patent distrust of strange dogs which he passed on the street.

But those days are done. The editor believes it is now up to South Texas men to declare their emancipation from the clanking chains of custom. He has bought another pair of shorts and intends to wear them—even on the street.

Not to extremes, mind you. But as long as there are no horses to frighten, no formalities to be observed—to that point does the editor intend to venture. He calls upon all true men to sound the clarion call, fling away their dull inhibitions and get down to solid comfort. He calls upon the gent caterwampus across the block to venture out of the cool of his own back yard with those shorts of his.

Once the men feel the caress of the gentle sea breeze on their shanks, the editor believes that it will be next to impossible to coax them back into long trousers permanently before the first bad norther blows. Never mind the looks. Never mind the wolf whistles of envious souls who are slaves to custom. Maybe none of us owns a pair of gams that would make Earl Carroll take a second look. But you can say that again, pals, about some of the fair sex. And look what they get away with.

Stick to your shorts, Mr. Joubert. Re-inforcements are coming. One, at least, is already here.

Long live reason and logic—and hot weather comfort.

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**HIGH HIGH**

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### NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse in the town of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas at 10 o'clock A. M., beginning on the 15 day of July, 1947 A. D., at the Courthouse in the town of Rockport, Texas, at which time and place said Board will then consider any evidence you may elect to submit as to the value of said property for taxable purpose. The Board, on said date, will from the evidence now before it, and such additional evidence as may be then before it, finally fix, determine and equalize the value of your property for taxable purposes for the year 1947.

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### House Guests

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B. A. Nutt and family of McCampbell's Ranch enjoyed the Rockport Beach last week-end. Mr. Nutt, a former Rockport citizen, now operates the Eliga Porter property.



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The ordinances provide:  
A fine of \$5 for driving over a fire hose.

Two dollars fine for parking within 15 feet of the fire station entrance or within ten feet of a fire plug.

A fine of \$5 for the owner of any vehicle, unless he is a bona fide member of the fire department, following within 600 feet of any piece of fire apparatus.

A fine of \$5 for parking any vehicle, other than one belonging to a bona fide member of the fire department, within 300 feet of a fire.

In other words, Lassiter indicated, motorists will help the department and save themselves trouble by staying clear of fires, fire apparatus and fire hydrants.

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## Joe Smith President Of Singing Group

Joe Smith, justice of the peace, was named president of the Aransas County Singing Convention at a meeting Sunday at Fulton church. Eddie Lee Sanders of Rockport was chosen vice president. Other officers named were Mrs. Mattie Cole, secretary; Dixie Mundine, recording secretary; and Mary Ruth Dervage, pianist.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rogero were called to Gonzales last Friday where Mrs. Rogero's sister, Mrs. Katie Bivins underwent a major operation on Monday of this week. Mrs. Rogero plans to stay with her sister for several weeks.

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**A Bell for Adano**  
By John Hersey

THE STORY THUS FAR: The American troops arrived in Adano, with Major Joppolo, the Amgot officer in charge. Sergeant North was in charge of security. The Major was determined to hold the confidence of the people and to replace their bell stolen by the Nazis. Despite orders issued by General Marvin, barring carts from the city, Joppolo recalled the orders, to permit food and water to enter the city. The Major placed a ceiling on prices to stop a black market caused by generosity of the Americans. General Marvin finally received the note from Captain Purvis telling of the Major's granting carts entrance to town. He issued orders to have the Major recalled at once.

**CHAPTER XXI**

The General said: "Right, stop the carts. Lousy Italians trying to hold up the whole damn invasion. They better carry out the order." Lieutenant Byrd droned on, hardly noticing what he read: "On July 20, guards were removed on order of Major—" Lieutenant Byrd suddenly realized what he was reading. He put the memorandum down and picked up the next. But the General Roared: "Finish it, finish it." The Lieutenant read: "—were removed on order of Major Victor Joppolo, Civil Affairs Officer, town of Adano, because carts were essential to town and town was—" Now the General had forgotten about finishing the memorandum. "Joppolo," he shouted, and his face was the color of distant mountains. "Joppolo."

General Marvin's memory worked in a peculiar fashion. "Middleton!" he shouted. "Come in here, Middleton."

The Colonel came in. "Middleton, remember the name of Joppolo, a lousy little wop named Joppolo?"

Colonel Middleton said, with a tired face: "Yes, sir. The carts." General Marvin bellowed: "I just remembered something. That wop was out of uniform that day. You remember? He had on pinks and a khaki shirt. You remember that, Middleton?"

Colonel Middleton said with a tired voice: "No sir." "Damn him, he had the nerve to let the carts back in that town, what the hell was the name of that—" Lieutenant Byrd said: "Adano, sir."

"Adano. Damn upstart." Colonel Middleton said: "Perhaps there was some reason why he had to—" "Damn you, Middleton, you're getting too independent minded."

Colonel Middleton said: "Yes sir." Lieutenant Byrd said: "It goes on to say here, sir: 'carts were essential to town and town was in bad shape without same.'"

The General stood up. He said: "I've had enough of that little wop, Middleton."

"Yes sir," the tired voice said. "Make out an order recalling that Italian wop from that town, what's the name—" Lieutenant Byrd said: "Adano, sir."

"Order him to report back to Algiers for reassignment. Make out a separate report to Algiers explaining why. I'll fix that little wop. Get it off today, too, none of your delays, Middleton."

"Yes sir," the tired voice said. "The day before the party, the fisherman named Agnello and his men talked about it as they fished. 'Are you going, Merendino?' Agnello asked."

Merendino, who was not one to commit himself too far, said: "I have been invited." Sconzo, the youngest of Adano's fishermen, said: "I am going. You'd better go, Merendino. I hear that we fishermen are lucky. Mostly the guests will be officials and big people, but because of Tomasino—" Agnello said: "And perhaps because the daughters of Tomasino are not pock-faced."

Sconzo said: "Perhaps," and laughed. The men hauled in their net. They spilled the shining, flopping fish into the bins. They were good fish, mostly of the four- and five-lira grades. Sconzo said: "It is a rare chance for us fishermen, Merendino. You'd better go."

Merendino said: "I will think about it." They let the net over the side again, and Merendino took the wheel as the boat moved away from the net. As they slowly pulled away, Sconzo lay down at the very bow, with his cheek on the hawser eye, and he watched the forefoot cutting the water and the reflection of the upper parts of the bow moving across the glassy water. It was one of those rare Mediterranean days with not a breath of air on the deep blue water.

Agnello said: "Merendino, don't you think perhaps we are getting too far inshore?" Merendino said: "I will look at the chart."

Sconzo said: "He's just trying to get away from Tomasino's boat. Old Tomasino splashes his net so much that he scares the fish away. Tomasino has such a bad temper, he's probably angry with the fish and that's why he splashes the net. Merendino's just trying to work the boat away from Tomasino's, aren't

you, Merendino?" Merendino said: "I do not think Tomasino is angry at the fish." Agnello said: "We'd better not get in too far. We were warned about what would happen if we went out of the zone which they marked for us on the chart."

Merendino looked at the chart and then at the headlands up and down the coast and he said: "Perhaps we are a little far inshore." And he put the wheel over and headed out, but diagonally away from Tomasino's boat.

Sconzo said: "Personally I like the younger daughter of Tomasino better than the blonde. I like honesty in the color of hair." Agnello said: "Not that either of Tomasino's daughters would pay any attention to you, Sconzo."

Sconzo said: "Oh, I think I could make an impression if I wanted to." Agnello mimicked Sconzo: "If I wanted to." And then he said: "What makes you think you could? Your nose is too big."

Sconzo said: "What makes you think the daughters of Tomasino are so hard to impress? What do you think, Merendino?" Merendino said: "I think that people with big noses who are fishermen are apt to retain a smell of fish in their nostrils after working hours, and sometimes they attribute the smell of fish to the young ladies they are with. I think it is time to pull the net in."

The three men stood and began to tug at the net. "We have a good catch this time," Sconzo said. "Feel that load." They pulled some more, then Agnello said: "It feels sluggish. It

does not have the lively feeling of a good haul of small fish. Don't you agree, Merendino?" Merendino said: "I never divide the fishes into grades until they are in the bins."

But as the net came in it became more and more obvious that the net had something besides little fish in it. Sconzo said: "Maybe Lojacono's painting has attracted a porpoise. Maybe Lojacono painted a she-porpoise and maybe it is the mating season among porpoises."

Agnello said: "It doesn't feel right. It feels like the time we pulled in the hoghead of nafta." Merendino made a positive statement: "It feels like something we do not usually catch."

The boat had come around as the men hauled at the net. They were pulling the dripping net in over the starboard bow by this time. When the net was almost in, Sconzo said: "Wait a second, let me look and perhaps I can see what we have before we haul it aboard."

He lay down at the bow again, and put his cheek on the hawser eye again, and looked. What he saw was the last he ever saw. "Stop!" he shouted. "Stop hauling!"

But it was too late. The slow forward motion of the boat and the slow reactions of the heaving fishermen drove the bow onto the mine. The explosion could be heard easily in the town. The wives of farmers and land laborers thought it was just some blasting by engineers. But the wives of fishermen ran down to the harbor and looked out over the water.

There they saw unusual activity among the fishing boats. They were all clustered together, and there were one, two—only five!

At the moment of the explosion, Tomasino turned toward the point where Agnello's boat had been. Fortunately Tomasino had his net in and could move fairly quickly.

When they reached the place they found only splinters of wood, many dead fish floating, dead Agnello floating, dead Merendino, and some pieces of Sconzo.

Tomasino and his men hauled the two whole bodies aboard as the other fishing boats came up.

Tomasino shouted to the others: "Continue to fish. Move farther offshore. I will take Agnello and Merendino in."

Someone from another boat shouted: "And Sconzo?" "Sconzo," said Tomasino, not looking at the small pieces of Sconzo floating in the water, "is missing." As soon as they tied up, Tomasino jumped ashore and walked quickly uptown to the Palazzo. He was the first to bring the news to the Major.

"Good afternoon, Tomasino," the Major said cheerfully. "I'm looking forward to the party tomorrow night. I hear you are one of the hosts." Tomasino's face was black with misery, but the Major had not thought that unusual.

"I cannot go," Tomasino said. "Why not, Tomasino? It wouldn't be the same without you." Tomasino said grimly: "I came to talk about the explosion. Did you hear the explosion?"

Major Joppolo said: "I did hear an explosion. About half an hour ago, was it?" Tomasino said: "About half an hour ago."

"What was it?" "One of my ships. A mine, I suppose, just as you warned." The Major stood up. His face had gone white as soon as Tomasino started talking about the explosion. He went around his desk to Tomasino and put a hand on his arm.

"It is my fault, Tomasino, not yours," he said. "It was Agnello's fault," Tomasino said. "He was so far in. I took bearings, and I know that he was outside the fishing zone."

"I am sorry," the Major said. Tomasino said: "Why are you sorry? I thought you would be angry."

"I feel as if I had killed your men, Tomasino." "Accidents happened here before you came, Mister Major. Men have died here before."

And so it happened that before he left, Tomasino was consoling the Major instead of being berated by him for allowing carelessness in the fishing fleet.

As Tomasino started to go, the Major said: "You will continue to fish?" Tomasino said: "Of course. Four of the boats are still out." The Major said: "Good, Tomasino." Then he said: "I'm sorry about tomorrow night."

Tomasino said: "I am sorry too. But it would not be decent. I am supposed to be the head of the fishermen." Major Joppolo hesitated. Then he said, trying to sound delicate about it: "Do you feel that your family should stay away as well?"

Tomasino looked at Major Joppolo's face. Tomasino looked no less sad as he said: "No, I think Tina should go." The day of the party came, and many things happened. At about 9:30 in the morning, a U. S. Navy truck pulled up in front of the Palazzo. A Chief Petty Officer and five men unloaded a crate from it onto the sidewalk, and the Chief went inside and delivered a note for Major Victor Joppolo.

Major Joppolo was busy at his desk, and had not noticed the truck. He opened the note and read: "Dear Major: 'The U. S. Navy is delighted to be able to do the U. S. Army a favor. Here is your bell. . . .'" The Major jumped up and shouted: "Where is it?" Zito the usher said: "Where is what, Mister Major?"

The Major said: "The bell! The bell! They have brought us our bell." And he ran out on the balcony just in time to see the Navy truck pull away. He saw the crate sitting there on the sidewalk.

Major Joppolo shouted down to an M. P. in front of the Palazzo. "Hey, stand guard over that box, don't let anybody walk off with that!"

The M. P. grumbled out loud, but not loud enough for Major Joppolo to hear: "From the way them sailors were grunting and groaning, don't strike me that nobody's going to strut off with that thing."

The Major hurried back inside, and he said to Zito: "How long did you say it took them to take the old bell down, Zito?"

Zito said: "They had to use six sets of block and tackle. It took them two days to get it down. Then one day to crate it."

The Major said: "I can't wait that long." He went to the phone and called up the Engineers.

"Major Harvey, please. . . . Major? This is Joppolo. Say, I wonder if you could arrange to do this town a big favor. We've got a delicate job to do, and I'm afraid the workmen we could round up to do it would take ages and maybe hack it. The job is raising a new bell on the clock tower of the Town Hall here. I guess it would take about eight men, and if you've got a good strong block and tackle, and maybe a tow truck to haul out the tackle and raise the bell. . . . You can? That's swell. Can they start right in? What time you think they could get here? Okay, I'll be on hand at eleven thirty to tell them what to do. Don't know how to thank you, Major."

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Doings of People You Know In Aransas County

## PICTON FAMILY HOLDS ANNUAL RE-UNION, STARTED YEARS AGO TO MARK BIRTHDAY OF DAVID PICTON, SR., ON JULY 5

The Picton family annual re-union, started a number of years ago to mark the birthday of the late David Picton, Sr., was held this year on July 5, as usual, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Picton.

A chicken barbecue dinner was spread at noon as one of the highlights of the occasion.

Present for the re-union were 43 persons:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Picton, Rockport; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jerald Picton and Geraldine Picton, of Port Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Picton, Thomas D. Picton, Jr., Miss Mary Beth Picton, Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Picton, Mr. DeWilton Jeffries and DeWilton, Jr., all of Rockport; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Picton, Port Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Picton, Sarah Frances Picton and W. M., Jr., all of Port Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Picton, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Picton, Jr., Evelyn and Marianne Picton, all of Port Arthur; Miss Grace Smith and Misses Vivian and Velma Picton, Rockport; Miss Barbara Crockett, Port Arthur, and these from Houston:

Mr. and Mrs. Jess W. Hines, Jess W. Hines, Jr., Martha Nancy Hines, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Suttles, Lida Suttles, Harvey Suttles, III, David Picton Suttles, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas S. Craig, Douglas Craig, Jr., Miss Ellen Picton, and Miss Clara Krolehek.

Absent from this year's re-union were: Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries of Rockport, who is in Spohn hospital at Corpus Christi following birth of a son, Kerry Picton Jeffries, on July 2; Julia Nance Picton, visiting in Maryland; David M. Picton, Jr., of Houston, in Miami, Fla., on business; Mrs. David Picton, Jr., in South Pasadena, Cal., with her daughter and family.

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## FOLK SONGS THEME OF NINE AND SEVEN

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Favorite songs of America, England, Ireland, Wales, France, Germany, Spain, Australia and the South African Dutch were sung by the group and by Dr. Joel Hedgpeth, accompanied by Mrs. Hedgpeth at the piano.

The last meeting added out of town talent to the program in the person of Miss Elizabeth Edwards, promising mezzo-soprano from San Antonio. Miss Edwards sang Tschaikowsky's "None But the Lonely Heart," and Brahms' "Wiegandli." Young Port Baughman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baughman, visiting from Houston, played Paderewski's "Minuet," and the sextet from "Lucia" by Donizetti.

The second group of folk songs was played at the home of Mrs. Albert Collier from an interesting collection of recordings owned by Dr. Hedgpeth.

## KATHERINE JURAY WEDS C. P. LEISTER

Miss Katherine Juray and Pvt. Charles L. Leister, stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., were married at 9 p. m. Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Leister at Estes, following an engagement of 18 months.

Rev. Alton Pruitt of the Aransas Pass Pentecostal Church performed the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her father, George K. Juray.

Pvt. Jesse Esker, also stationed at Fort Lewis, was best man. Following the ceremony, a wedding supper was served at the Clover Cafe in Aransas Pass and the couple left for Seattle, Wash., on their wedding trip.

For the ceremony, Miss Juray wore a white sharkskin suit, trimmed with daisies, and black accessories.

Wedding guests included: Miss Margaret Leister, Alton Leister, Marvin Leister, Jr., Joseph L. Leister, Frank Lockhart, Richard Dean Juray, Mr. and Mrs. George K. Juray, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Leister.

## HAS POEM PUBLISHED

Mrs. J. E. Tedford of Rockport is among a large number of poets represented in a new anthology, "Songs of the Free" being brought off the press by Crown Publications in New York. Word from the publisher came this week. Mrs. Tedford said that she is not sure which of several poems submitted, has been selected for publication.

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## JOAN COLLINS GIVES ICE CREAM PARTY

Miss Joan Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collins, was hostess to a number of her friends at an ice cream party at her home the later afternoon of July 4.

Honorees were house guests who have been visiting her: Misses Gloria Hill of Goose Creek, Georgia Hink of Houston, Delores Yvonne Baldwin of Ingleside, and Mary Kathryn Spiller of Hearne and Billy Allen of Lytle.

Guests included: Colleen Smith, Bonnie Blaylock, Mike Crawford, Betty Gordon, James Bracht, John David Wilson, Aubrey Breed, C. M. Brundrett, Bobby Landrum, Patti Ballou, Mary Ruth Dervage, Jackie Blackwell, Bill Coons, Martha Ann Dixon, Nita Sue Hassan, Mary Kathryn Spiller, Mildred Wilkinson, Ruby Mae Wilkinson, Daisy Prophet, J. W. Jackson, Cody Thomas, Jean Cook, Claude Lenox Roberts, Roy L. Lassiter, LaDell Camp, Jean Hinton, Buddy Shook, David Herring, Ralph Hardeman, Sumarie Larsen, Joe Glover, Robert Franklin,

Leon Brundrett, Jimmy Little, Jerry Williams, Billy Joe Hunt, Billy Allen, Bill McGrath of Dickinson, Bobby Dixon, Bonnie Cron, Georgia Hink, Gloria Hill, Lucille Haynes, Wilbern Hamblin, Jimmie Herring, Russell Rowe, Sissy Rowe, Joe Johnson Jr., Wilma Rouquette, Harris Pollard.

## GUESTS FOR HOLIDAYS

An informal house party marked the July 4 holiday week-end at the Travis Johnson home. Down from Austin, where they are attending the University of Texas, came Miss Betty Brennan and Miss Jackie Holley as guests of Miss

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Miss Jerry Eisler from San Antonio and Albert McDavid from Corpus Christi came for the Fourth and remained over the weekend. A barbecue dinner July 4 was a highlight of the party.

## REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF ROCKPORT IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30TH, 1947 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	356,800.08
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	588,287.50
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	138,042.80
Corporate stocks (including \$1,800.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	1,800.00
Loans and discounts (including \$809.94 overdrafts)	160,147.38
Bank premises owned \$3,750.00, furniture and fixtures \$900.00	4,650.00
Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,249,728.76</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	986,395.97
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	31,093.00
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	132,077.90
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	13,687.09
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$1,163,253.96</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$1,163,253.96</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital Stock:	
(c) Common stock, total par	\$25,000.00, \$25,000.00 25,000.00
Surplus	45,000.00
Undivided profits	16,474.80
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>86,474.80</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$1,249,728.76</b>
MEMORANDUM	
Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	317,000.00

## STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF ARANSAS, ss:

I, A. C. GLASS, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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## FIVE GENERATIONS AT RE-UNION HERE

Five generations from three states were represented, Saturday, July 5, when the Young family gathered in Rockport for the first family re-union in many years.

A picnic dinner was spread at Bailey's Grove in the south portion of town, following which the crowd gathered around for a roll call by families and introductions were made for the benefit of those who were seeing each other for the first time.

Mrs. Tiney Gayle of Mirando City led a session of reminiscences while the young folks scattered for a swim.

Those present for the re-union were:

From Rockport—Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sparks and son, Jimmy, Dan Young, Mrs. Eunice Mullinax and daughters, Linda Beth and Judy, Marlene Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mullinax, Jr., and son, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Young, Gerald and Doris Jean Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Young and children, Betty Jewell and J. S., Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Young and daughters, Hazel and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mundine, Mrs. Minnie Edmison and Mrs. Eloise Harriet.

Also: Keith and Glynn Renolds of Goliad; Mrs. Vernette Jones, Mrs. Anne V. Root and son, Edwin, all of Chicago; Mrs. Lee Yung Rowland, Little Bit Rowland, Boyd B. Rowland, Alice, Robert and Dee Ann Rowland, all of Houston;

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Young, Jennelle Young, Harvey Leon and Coe Golladay, all of Agua Dulce; Eula Bush, Denver, Col.; Mr. and Mrs. Bertice Huffman and children, Joyce, Lynette and Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Huffman and son, Dwight Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Huffman, all of Tivoli.

LeRoy Blaisdell and Mrs. D. O. Blaisdell, both of Corpus Christi; Mrs. J. Lynn King, Yoakum; Mrs. Sam Young and daughter, Rose, of San Benito; Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Gayle and Sonny, Mirando City; Ransome and T. A. Owens, Aransas Pass; Mrs. R. F. Spinks and son, Billy Wayne, Baytown; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ernst and children, George, Helen and James, Freer, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Ted McLester and children, Patsy, Lois, Barbara and Nancy, all of Falfurrias; Mrs. Maggie Lee Young Burnes, Bander; Mrs. Laura Huffman Horn and Aleta Horn, both of Odem.

The honor guests were John S. Young of Rockport, Lee Huffman of Tivoli, Mrs. Mary Owens of Aransas Pass and Mrs. Sam Young of San Benito.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davis of Austin were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jackson over the week-end.

Leon Lowery and family of Galveston were guests in the home of his mother, Mrs. C. O. Lowery, over the July 4 week-end.

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## PARTY HONORS TWO BIRTHDAYS

Mrs. Iva Hague and Mrs. Gene Shults were co-hostesses Monday evening at a party honoring the nineteenth birthday of Tommy Blackwell and the twenty-ninth birthday of Stanley Shults. Both birthdays fell on July 7.

The party was held at the Gene Shults home. Bunco was played and Tom Shults and Mrs. Durwood Touchstone tied for high score.

The refreshment table was centered with two cakes, one a red, white and blue trimmed cake with names of the honorees and an anchor decorating the top. The other was a chocolate cake with "Happy Birthday, 7-7-47" inscribed in yellow icing. Refreshments consisted of sandwiches, olives, cake, punch and after-dinner candy.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchanan and children; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shults and children; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Schuster and Miss Barbara Schuster; Mr. and Mrs. Touchstone; Mr. and Mrs. Monty Rouquette and children; Misses Elsie Blackwell, Mary Frances Bell, and Pat Garner, the latter of Aransas Pass; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Shults, Miss Berta Gene and Wayne Shults, and Mrs. Hague.

## TEEN-AGERS' DANCE ATTRACTS MANY

Approximately 150 young people, many from out of town, attended the Teen-Agers dance at the Beach Club July 4, Cissie Rowe said this week.

The dances are sponsored each week by the Teen Agers' organization in Rockport, and all teen-agers are welcome. The dances last from 7:30 p. m. until midnight and admission of ten cents is charged.

Chaperones at the July 4 dance were: Mrs. Jack Lockridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roe, Mr. and Mrs. Glover of San Antonio, William McGrath, Mrs. H. C. Mullinax, Mrs. Jim Barber.

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### Hedgpeth Going To U. of T. Lab

Dr. Joel Hedgpeth, marine biologist, this week announced his resignation from the post he has held at the State Game, Fish and Oyster Commission's marine laboratory since 1945.

At the same time he announced that he has accepted a position as research associate with the University of Texas' Institute of Marine Science at Port Aransas.

The change is to be effective as of July 15. No successor has been named here.

Hedgpeth has been occupied here with a study of the blue crab and its habits as well as of lesser marine creatures. His first task at Port Aransas, he said, will be the cataloging of all the small marine-creatures found in these waters.

Hedgpeth said that he and Mrs. Hedgpeth will move to Port Aransas as soon as a house is ready for them.

Hedgpeth came to Rockport from California.

### Named Radio Editor

COLLEGE STATION.—On July 15, D. A. (Andy) Adam will change from his present position as assistant migratory supervisor of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service's farm labor program to that of Extension radio editor.

He replaces C. W. Jackson who resigned June 15 to take over as radio farm director for a Kansas City station.

Mrs. Jack Baughman of Houston and son, Port Baughman, are spending a three-week vacation with Mr. Baughman here.

### RIALTO THEATRE

#### Aransas Pass

THURS. & FRI., JULY 10-11

David Niven and Ginger Rogers in

Magnificent Doll

SAT. ONLY, JULY 12

Eddie Dean and Roscoe Ates in

Wild West

SAT. MID-NITE, JULY 12

Philip Reed and Hillary Brooke in

Big Town

SUN. & MON., JULY 13-14

Tyrone Power and Gene Tierney in

The Razor's Edge

TUES. & WED., JULY 15-16

Dick Powell and Evelyn Keyes in

Johnny O'Clock

### To Poultry Post

COLLEGE STATION.—The appointment of William J. Moore, Wilson County agricultural agent, as poultry husbandman of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, has been announced by J. D. Prewitt, Extension vice director and state agent.

Moore's appointment was effective July 1. He will be headquartered in College Station.

### Rockport Girls Place Second

The Rockport girls' softball team won second place in the Independence Day girls' softball tournament which provided one of the main entertainment features of the Refugio July 4 celebration.

They lost the championship game to the Refugio girls after defeating Victoria and Karnes City.

Rockport girls, their coach, Elbert Mundine, pointed out, had only one substitute, Patsy McLead. Except for three innings in the last game when she relieved Alice Bell, the regular line-up played all three games.

Myrl Wright pitched all of the games and did herself proud, Mundine said. In the last game, she struck out 11 batters and gave up only six hits. In addition, she got the longest hit of the day, a whamming home run, high over the head of the Refugio center fielder in the sixth inning.

The girls, Mundine said, made a good showing in the other events, also. Alice Bell won first in the 60-yard dash. Lavern Wright lost on a technicality only in the throwing-accuracy test which consisted of throwing a ball from home to a wash tub set up at first base. The event finally went to Mary Ebron of Karnes City.

With only 18 Rockport persons present, the local girls were at disadvantage in the beauty contest, elimination stages of which were judged on the strength of applause. Myrtle Lee Bell and Mrs. Tony Dietrich entered. Five newspaper men present picked Wanda Deason of Falfurrias as "Miss Softball of South Texas" in the final event.

The Rockport girls who composed the team were: Alice Bell, 3b; Opal Warden, ss; Bessie Atwood, 2b; Tony Dietrich, 1b; Mary Davis, cf; Lavern Wright, rf; Myrl Wright, lf; Myrtle Lee Bell, c; Myrl Wright, p; Patsy McLead, sub.

Mrs. C. O. Lowery left this week for an extended vacation in Creal Springs, Ill. She planned to stop off at Rankin, Tex., for a short visit with her son, Dunn Lowery. Mrs. Lowery's daughter and grandson, Mrs. Charlyne Hunt and Joe Earl Hunt, will join her there for the trip to Illinois.

### Dr. Stanley Pearle

Optometrist

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### Texas Business At High Level

Texas business activity remained 87 per cent above its prewar level in May and stood 10 per cent higher than in May a year ago, according to the index prepared this week by The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Only sobering element in the picture was the fact that activity did turn downward slightly in May, falling 1 per cent lower than in April.

Texas business for the past 6 months has fluctuated within a narrow range but has always remained at a very high level. The postwar peak was reached in February, a month before the national peak, but the February index was only 2 per cent higher than the index for May.

Trade continued high in May, as retail sales of independent stores were 6 per cent larger than in April and 17 per cent greater than in May 1946. The general dollar figures obscure the retail trade situation, however, because prices have risen and sales in some lines declined. Sales of some goods have failed to rise as rapidly as sales of durable goods, and luxury items are feeling definite slumps.

Expected seasonal declines were reported in cotton consumption, cotton linters consumed and cottonseed crushed.

On the other hand, dairy manufacturing, lumber production and crude petroleum production turned up and showed substantial gains over May of last year.

Texas agriculture continued to enjoy dollar prosperity in May with farm cash income soaring 15 per cent above the April level to stand 18 per cent above the May 1946 figure.

### Time To Think About That Autumn Garden

COLLEGE STATION.—It isn't too early to start thinking about planting that fall garden, say horticulturists of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.

Now, while supply and selection of garden materials are good, the smart gardener will begin to plan and lay in supplies of seed, inoculating dust, seed testing materials, insecticides and fertilizers. Planning what to plant, when and how much is just another wise step in modern vegetable raising, the horticulturists say.

Here are a few things to do in the future garden site that will start things off right. "Shave" the plot where the garden will go. Add well-rotted barnyard fertilizer, applied broadcast, and plow or spade it in near the top of the ground. Keep the site well pulverized, and watered if it needs moisture. Start now controlling weeds and grasses, to get a head-start on the pests.

### Guests at A. L. Bracht's

It's never a dull moment these days at the A. L. Bracht home.

Charles A. Bracht of Brownsville, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bracht, flew from Brownsville with his daughter, Barbara Ann, Friday morning for a holiday visit, making the flight in less than two hours. After visiting with the home folks he and his daughter returned Saturday morning to Brownsville where he is associated with Manske Motor Co.

Mrs. Ruth Janecek and family of five children are spending a few weeks at the A. L. Bracht home, and, last Sunday, Misses Loise and May Janette Janecek entertained a party of friends from the Corpus Christi naval base at a beach party.

Mrs. M. J. Gray and daughter, Alice Anita, arrived Saturday from Beaumont and will be guests for the summer, and will be joined this week by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Putegnat and daughter Joan Marie, all of Brownsville.

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### JOY ROE HOSTESS TO ODAKO GIRLS

Joy Roe entertained the Odako Camp Fire Girls on her tenth birthday Tuesday evening at her home, and became a member at the same time.

Another new member was added to the group also Delia Knippa. Dancing and games were enjoyed by the guests and a weiner roast in the back yard followed the cutting and serving of the birthday cake.

Guests were: Lola Jean Ballou, JoAnn Smith, Clydene Sparks, Shirley Faye Harrell, Janie Robinson, Frances Lee Deason, Sandia Court, Olean Roope, Carole Simpson, Virginia Gwynn, Delia Knipp, Patsy Dupnik, Judith Albin, and these visitors from outside the group: Betty Jewell Young and Norma Lynn.

Mrs. Charles Roe was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Ruby Hart and Miss Norma Lou Roe.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Noble Evans and Mrs. John Goff were joint hostesses last Friday at the home of Mrs. Evans, honoring their daughters, Joy Evans and Sue Goff on their third and fifth birthdays.

The living room was decorated with balloons tied to pink paper streamers. After refreshments of cake and punch were served to about 20 young guests, the balloons were cut down and each guest received one as a favor.

John H. McLester returned Saturday from an extended visit with friends and relatives in Indianapolis and Lebanon, Ind. Decatur, Ill. and St. Louis, Mo.

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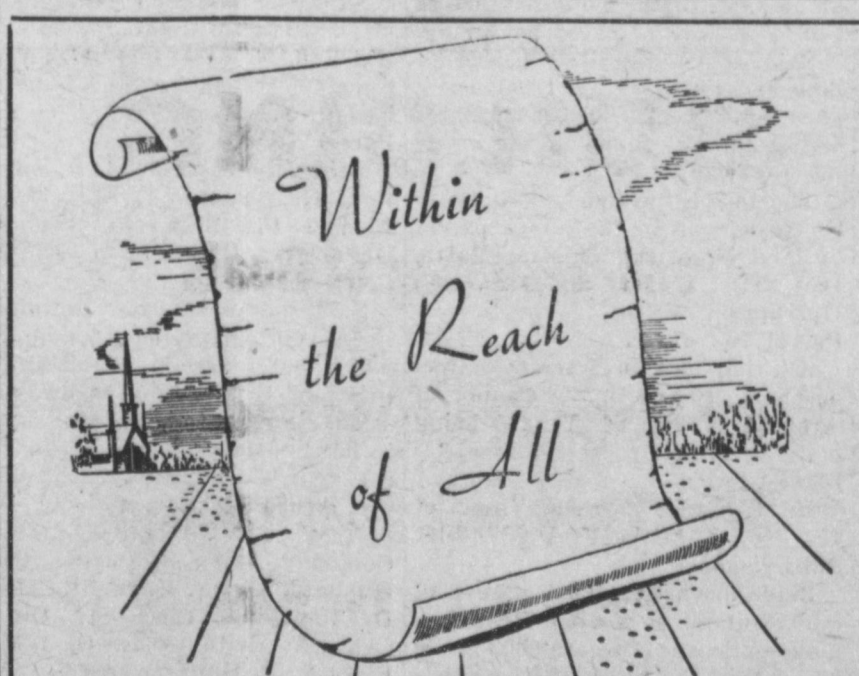
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### Sinton to Get Second Chance

The Sinton American Legion team will have a second chance to show their baseball stuff here next Sunday, but they will be going up against a Rockport team flushed with two victories over the Corpus Christi Oilers last week-end.

The Independents beat the Oilers 9 to 7 on July 4, then repeated 7 to 5 on Sunday.

Despite erratic fielding, the Independents managed to put over enough runs in the ninth inning of the first game to nose out, and they staved off a potential rally in the closing frames of the Sunday match to hold an early lead and squeeze through another winner.

The Sinton team, which will face the Rockport nine at 3 p. m. Sunday, were the losers in their first game here a few weeks ago.

### SNYDER-TAYLOR TROTH ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder of Aransas Pass this week announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Mildred Louise Snyder to Delmar R. Taylor of Rockport, son of Mrs. Jack Taylor of Sapulpa, Okla.

The wedding will take place at the home of the bride-to-be's aunt, Mrs. Lillian Snyder, July 27.

Miss Snyder attended the Aransas Pass schools and the Roosevelt School of Nursing. For the past 14 months she has been on the staff of the Aransas Pass hospital.

Mr. Taylor attended the San Angelo Junior College and spent four and a half years in the army, serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. He is manager of the Rockport Fish and Oyster Co.

### Wins Athletic Honor

James Cruser of Rockport was one of the 13 athletes winning letters in track at Texas Tech at Lubbock this year. News of the award was released this week by the college.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

### Fish Bites Woman!

Willie Wells was coming home from Seward's Creek the other evening with a string of trout, when a stern looking lady (visitor at the Boxwood Inn) stops him, and tells him a man his size could be better occupied than catching fish.

Willie tells her off real good-naturedly by saying: "Perhaps you're right, but if these fish had kept their mouths shut, they wouldn't be here." (At that, says Willie, laughing out loud, she looked just as if a fish had bit her!)

Blabbing mouths never cause

anything but trouble. Nobody who knew the facts would ever criticize Willie's right to go fishing on his one day off—any more than they'd deny his right to come home to a mellow glass of beer.

From where I sit, the slower we are to criticize—and the quicker we are to recognize another's tastes, the better we'll get along together—whether those tastes apply to beer or fishing.

Joe Marsh

### Stop At MIDWAY INN

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Civil Service Tests For Federal Jobs

Civil Service examinations have been announced for steamfitter, junior steamfitter, plumber, junior plumber, air conditioning and refrigeration servicer, and junior air conditioning and refrigeration servicer, Elyvs Henry, executive secretary to the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, announced this week at San Antonio.

Salaries for these positions, which will be filled in the War Department establishments in the vicinity of San Antonio, range from 82 cents to \$1.39 per hour.

No written test is required for this examination. The age limit, 18 to 62 years, does not apply to persons entitled to veteran preference, provided they have not reached the age for automatic retirement.

Applications may be filed with the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, War Department, 527 Federal Building, San Antonio, Texas.

Application forms and further information may be obtained from the same office.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, God has seen fit to call to her heavenly home our beloved Kate Ezell, we ask that the following tribute to her memory written by Emma Reese be read at a meeting of St. Peter's Guild, a copy sent to her daughter, Mrs. Butler, and a copy made a part of the minutes:

"It is with deep regret we announce the death of our long time friend and secretary, Kate Ezell. Her faithful and earnest work, both in Choir and Guild, her constant attendance at Church Services, her instructive comments on the Church Year, teaching children and grown up about the Church she loved so well, will long be remembered by all who knew her. A devoted wife and mother, a true and loyal friend. May her spirit live on among us, and her soul rest in peace."

BLANCHE W. KUHNS MARY H. PATRICK JUDY SORENSON COLLIER p12

The common "pill bug", which rolls itself into a ball when disturbed, often causes damage to ornamental plants and shrubs by feeding on the roots. Five per cent DDT dusted on the plants and in the soil will control the pest.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ARANSAS

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"NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS IN THE MATTER OF PROCEEDINGS BY ARANSAS COUNTY FOR CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OF G. W. HURD, ET AL FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY AND OTHER PURPOSES.

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TO G. W. Hurd and wife, Kathryn Covey and husband, Byron A. Covey and wife, Louis E. Covey and wife, Joan Bassler and husband, Erwin Covey and wife, Carey Covey Sullivan and husband, Gladys Rippon and husband, Floyd B. Covey and wife, Arthur S. Covey and wife, Carrie Sullins and husband, Erwin Sullins and wife, J. D. Harryman and wife, A. M. Harryman and wife, A. J. Harryman and wife, Mrs. Mattie Ives and husband, Frank Edwards Marshall and wife, J. W. Thwing and wife, W. F. Rogers and wife, F. S. Miller and wife, P. C. Garza and wife, E. P. Cayo and wife, G. E. Roberts and wife, C. A. Heldenfels and wife, Mrs. Ella G. Dignowity and husband, Jesse B. Burton and wife, C. B. Hubbard and wife, Annie M. Reith and husband, Hallie D. Randolph and husband, Charles A. Dingle and wife, Chas. E. Reith and wife, Chas. O. Dingle and wife, Flora Reith Hughson and husband, Helen Boyle and husband, Jane Reith Richmond and husband, Chas. L. Dignowity and wife, Albert C. Kellogg and wife, Dorothy P. Woodson and husband, Ralph P. Dignowity and wife, Mary J. Perkins and husband, Fred A. Dignowity and wife, Daniel W. Doty and wife, S. T. Rodgers and wife, Chas. R. Drake and wife, A. C. Sheen and wife, O. C. McCleod and wife, C. L. Grubbs and wife, Colin Cameron and wife, Francis J. Heney and wife, Henry J. Gensler and wife, Alice F. Cameron and husband, Corine Bell Greenleaf and husband, Alex M. Fulford and wife, Joseph F. Ferguson and wife, E. O. Burton and wife, A. H. Danforth and wife, Katherine F. Cameron and husband, J. M. Cotter and wife, Fanny D. Wilson and husband, J. T. Campbell and wife, Joseph Ferguson.

Thompson and wife, J. G. Philen and wife, Isabelle C. Kirkpatrick and husband, Laura A. Walter and husband, A. B. Ryan and wife, and if dead, their heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, assignees and/or legal representative and all unknown owners, lienors, and/or claimants, having or claiming any right, title, estate, equity or interest in, on, over, across and through, and all persons, companies, and corporations, claiming any title or interest in the following described tracts of land, to-wit:

Parcel 31: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, and being a part of Lot No. 90, Block No. 256 of the Burton and Danforth Subdivision in Aransas County, Texas being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point at the intersection of the North line of the above mentioned lot 90 and the railroad right-of-way line; THENCE S. 34 deg. 37' 45" W. along said railroad right-of-way line a distance of 538.5 ft. to a point in the grantor's south property line, same being the South line of the above mentioned Lot 90; THENCE N. 80 deg. 52' W. along said South line a distance of 124.04 ft. to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 37' 45" E. a distance of 564.3 ft. to a point in the North line of Lot 90; THENCE S. 70 deg. 03' E. along said North property line a distance of 132.95 ft. to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 1.519 acres, more or less, of which 0.751 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by L. R. Grinage and G. W. Hurd.

Parcel 36: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, and being a part of Lot No. 3, Block No. 246, Burton and Danforth Subdivision in Aransas County, Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the Northeast corner of Lot No. 3, Block No. 246 of the Burton and Danforth Subdivision; THENCE S. 34 deg. 37' 45" W. along the East line of Lot 3, the same being the West railroad right-of-way line, a distance of 1355.8 ft. to a point in the South line of said block; THENCE N. 0 deg. 43' W. along the South line of said lot 3 a distance of 205.77' to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 37' 45" E. a distance of 1103.8' to a point in the north line of said block; THENCE N. 89 deg. 18' E. along said North line a distance of 145.87' to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 3.360 acres, more or less, of which 1.780 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by Kathryn Covey, Byron A. Covey, Louis E. Covey and Joan Bassler, Carey Covey Sullivan, Erwin Covey, Gladys Rippon, Floyd B. Covey, Arthur S. Covey, Carrie Sullins and Erwin Sullins.

Parcel 40: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the Northeast corner of 13.45 acre tract known as the Harryman tract out of the Jas. McKay and C. S. Zenn Surveys; THENCE S. 34 deg. 37' 45" W. along the East line of the above described tract a distance of 434 ft. to a point in the South line of the Harryman tract; THENCE N. 55 deg. 22' W. along said south line a distance of 85.4 ft. to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 37' 45" E. a distance of 434 ft. to a point in the north line of the Harryman tract; THENCE S. 55 deg. 22' E. along said north line a distance of 85.4 ft. to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 0.852 acres, more or less, of which 0.259 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by A. M. Harryman, J. D. Harryman and A. J. Harryman.

Parcel No. 43: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the Northeast corner of the R. A. Newberry 50 acre tract in the Jas. McKay Survey; THENCE S. 34 deg. 34' W. along the East line of the above mentioned tract a distance of 200' to a point; THENCE S. 55 deg. 26' E. a distance of 14' to a point; THENCE S. 34 deg. 34' W. along the east line of said tract a distance of 1430.0' to a point in the southeast corner of said tract; THENCE N. 55 deg. 26' W. along the South line of said tract a dis-

tance of 100' to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 34' E. a distance of 1630 ft. to a point in the North line of the Newberry tract; THENCE S. 55 deg. 26' E. along said North line a distance of 86' to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 3.678 acres, more or less of which 1.433 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by R. A. Newberry, H. B. Newberry and R. W. Newberry.

Parcel No. 47: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the Northeast corner of a 20 acre tract known as the Mrs. F. A. White tract out of the Jas. McKay Survey, said point being in the West railroad right-of-way line; THENCE S. 34 deg. 34' W. along said railroad right-of-way line a distance of 645.4 ft. to a point in the South line of the above mentioned tract; THENCE N. 89 deg. 56' W. along said South line a distance of 145.61 ft. to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 34' E. a distance of 645.4 ft. to a point in the North line of the above mentioned tract; THENCE S. 89 deg. 56' E. along said north line a distance of 145.61 ft. to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 1.778 acres, more or less, of which 0.889 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by J. O. Bain.

Parcel No. 51: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in the Northeast corner of a one acre tract out of the Barber 160 acre tract in the John H. Phillips survey; THENCE S. 34 deg. 34' W. along the railroad right-of-way line a distance of 128' to a point in the south line of the above described tract; THENCE N. 89 deg. 56' W. along said South line a distance of 145.61 ft. to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 34' E. a distance of 128 ft. to a point in the North line of said tract; THENCE S. 89 deg. 56' E. along said North line a distance of 145.61 ft. to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 0.353 acres, more or less, of which 0.177 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by Mrs. L. E. Potter.

Parcel No. 55: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 9 and 10 in Block No. 5, and Lots 17, 18 and 19 of Block No. 7 of the East Dignowity Division, Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing 0.377 acres, more or less, of which 0.045 acres are within the limits of an existing roadway.

Parcel No. 56: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 15 and 16 of Block No. 5 of the East Dignowity Division in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing in all 0.188 acres, more or less, of which 0.022 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

Parcel No. 57: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 15 and 16 of Block No. 6 of the East Dignowity Subdivision in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing in all 0.188 acres, more or less, of which 0.022 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

Parcel No. 58: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block No. 8 of the Dignowity Division in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel of land containing in all 0.844 acres, more or less, of which 0.100 acres are within the limits of the half width of the existing roadway.

Parcel No. 59: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block No. 8 of the Dignowity Division in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel of land containing in all 0.761 acres, more or less, of which 0.090 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interests which are sought to be condemned in the above Parcels Nos. 56, 66, 67, 71, 72 and 73 are owned by Mrs. Ella G. Dignowity, The Atlantic Refining Company, Jesse B. Burton, C. B. Hubbard, Anne M. Reith, Hallie D. Randolph, Chas. A. Dingle, Chas. E. Reith, Chas. O. Dingle, Flora Reith Hughson, Helen Boyle, Jane Reith Richmond, Chas. L. Dignowity, Albert C. Kellogg, Dorothy P. Woodson, Ralph P. Dignowity, Mary J. Perkins and Fred A. Dignowity, Laura A. Walter and A. B. Ryan.

Parcel No. 60: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 100' out of Lot No. 3 of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 0.758 acres, more or less, of which 0.303 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by W. D. Lyons and The Atlantic Refining Company.

Parcel No. 61: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 100' out of Lot No. 3 of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 1.817 acres, more or less, of which 0.567 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by Daniel W. Doty.

Parcel No. 62: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 100 ft. out of Lot No. 2 of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision.

Said parcel containing in all 0.781 acres, more or less, of which 0.303 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by S. T. Rodgers.

Parcel No. 63: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 100' out of Lot No. 3 of the J. D. Wheeler Survey; Thence

Tract out of the C. S. Zenn Survey; THENCE S. 34 deg. 37' 45" W. along the east line of the above mentioned tract a distance of 959.1 ft. to a point in the South line of the above mentioned tract; THENCE N. 55 deg. 22' W. along the South line of the Ward Tract a distance of 85.2 ft. to a point; THENCE N. 34 deg. 37' 45" E. a distance of 898.7 ft. to a point in the North line of the Ward tract; THENCE N. 89 deg. 18' E. along the North line of the Ward tract; a distance of 145.87 ft. to the point of beginning.

Said above described parcel of land containing in all 1.817 acres, more or less, of which 0.567 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by Frank Edwards Marshall, J. W. Thwing, W. F. Rogers, F. S. Miller, P. C. Garza, Mrs. Henry Brouhard, E. P. Cayo, G. E. Roberts, Mrs. V. G. Thomas, C. A. Heldenfels, Leo Prophet and Walter Bell.

Parcel No. 64: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 101 ft. out of Lots Nos. 3 and 4 of Block C of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision.

Said parcel containing in all 0.758 acres, more or less, of which 0.303 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by High Point Oil Company, and Steve D. Ford, Jr.

Parcel No. 65: All that certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Aransas, State of Texas, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

BEING the East 100 ft. out of Lot No. 1 of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision.

Said parcel containing in all 0.781 acres, more or less, of which 0.312 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

The interest which is sought to be condemned in the above parcel of land is owned by Mrs. L. E. Potter.

Parcel No. 66: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 9 and 10 in Block No. 5, and Lots 17, 18 and 19 of Block No. 7 of the East Dignowity Division, Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing 0.377 acres, more or less, of which 0.045 acres are within the limits of an existing roadway.

Parcel No. 67: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 15 and 16 of Block No. 5 of the East Dignowity Division in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing in all 0.188 acres, more or less, of which 0.022 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

Parcel No. 68: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 15 and 16 of Block No. 6 of the East Dignowity Subdivision in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel containing in all 0.188 acres, more or less, of which 0.022 acres are within the limits of the existing roadway.

Parcel No. 69: Being the East 80.51 ft. out of Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block No. 8 of the Dignowity Division in Aransas County, Texas.

Said parcel of land containing in all 0.844 acres, more or less, of which 0.100 acres are within the limits of the half width of the existing roadway.

**State Hanging Out "Help Wanted" Sign**

There is a definite need for qualified workers in the Texas Employment Commission and in the State Department of Public Welfare, Charles S. Gardner, direc-

tor of State Merit System Council, said this week.

The Merit System Council of Texas will hold open competitive examinations for a number of positions with the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare in various

cities throughout the State, at 9 a.m. on August 16.

The entrance salaries for these positions range from \$1587 to \$2553 per annum.

Persons interested in these examinations may obtain application blanks and full information rela-

tive to duties, minimum qualifications, and salary ranges at their nearest Texas Employment Commission or State Department of Public Welfare office, or by writing to the Merit System Director, 808 Tribune Building, Austin 21, Texas.

**Robert A. Barber Dies in Rockport**

Robert A. Barber, resident of Rockport and vicinity for nearly a half century, died Wednesday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. V. McLester.

He would have been 79 years old on July 20. His death resulted from a long period of ill health that followed an operation a year ago.

Funeral services were held at the Cage Funeral Home in Rockport at 4 p.m. Wednesday and burial followed in the Rockport cemetery.

Mr. Barber was born at Blanton, Tex., in Bee County and came to Rockport in 1905. He lived for a while, in the subsequent period at Ingleside and elsewhere in this immediate locality. He was active as a stockman and as a water well driller but retired nearly 20 years ago.

Survivors include: four sons—Bryan, Los Angeles, California; and Guy, Elmer and Jim Barber, all of Rockport; the one daughter, Mrs. McLester; three sisters—Mrs. V. G. Thomas and Mrs. Ed Traweck both of Beeville and Mrs. N. B. Hancock of Rockport; two brothers—Charles Barber of Blanton and Lee Barber of Sands Point, Idaho; 11 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

**Youth Group Attends Baptist Encampment**

A group of Rockport young people attended the Blanco Baptist Association at the A. & T. College campus near Beeville last week.

Young people attending were: Alvis, Robert and Donald Jones, Leo Prophet, Jimmy Sparks, Tommy Shults, Jimmie Ben Cloberdants, John Freeman, Catherine Freeman, Ro Jean Mikeal, Jo Ann Smith, Virginia Ann Mundine, Linda Mullinax, Lois Ann McLester, Dora Belle McLester, Gloria Dye and Virginia Evans.

Sponsors accompanying the group were Rev. C. N. Jones, Mrs. Tom Shults, and Mrs. Roy Mullinax.

**Figs Grow Downtown**

You don't have to have a farm to be an orchardist in this part of the country. E. Mundine has demonstrated that. A fig tree back of his barbershop on Austin street, is producing its second crop of fruit this year, figs that measure about 2 1/2 inches in diameter. Last year the tree produced four crops. It was grown from a cutting supplied several years ago by Dave Serviner.

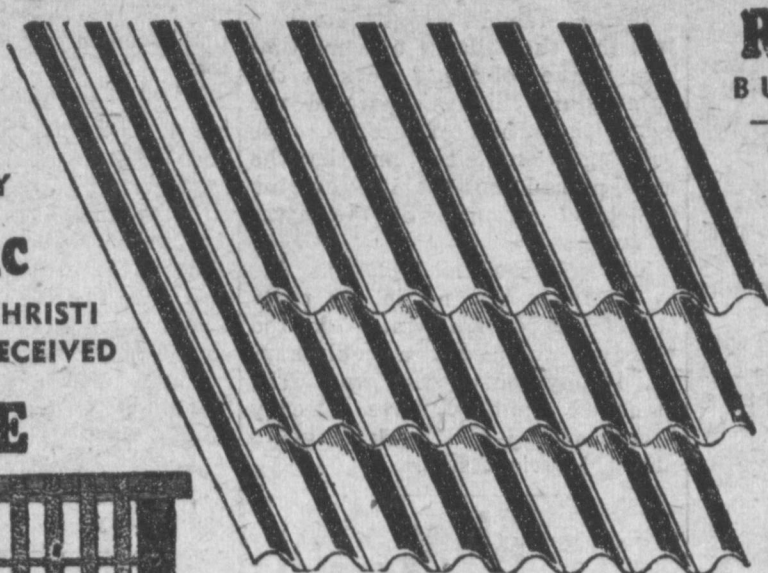
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Roberts went to Palacios Thursday to bring home their son, Culey, who had been visiting for ten days with his sister, Mrs. Leonard Cook, and Mr. Cook. The Cooks accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Roberts back to Rockport for the July 4 holiday week-end.

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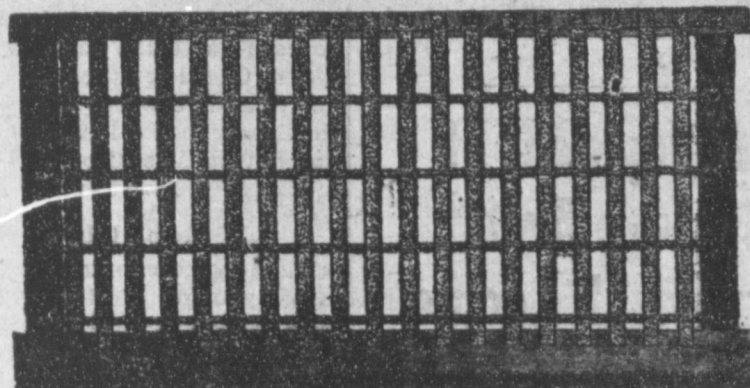


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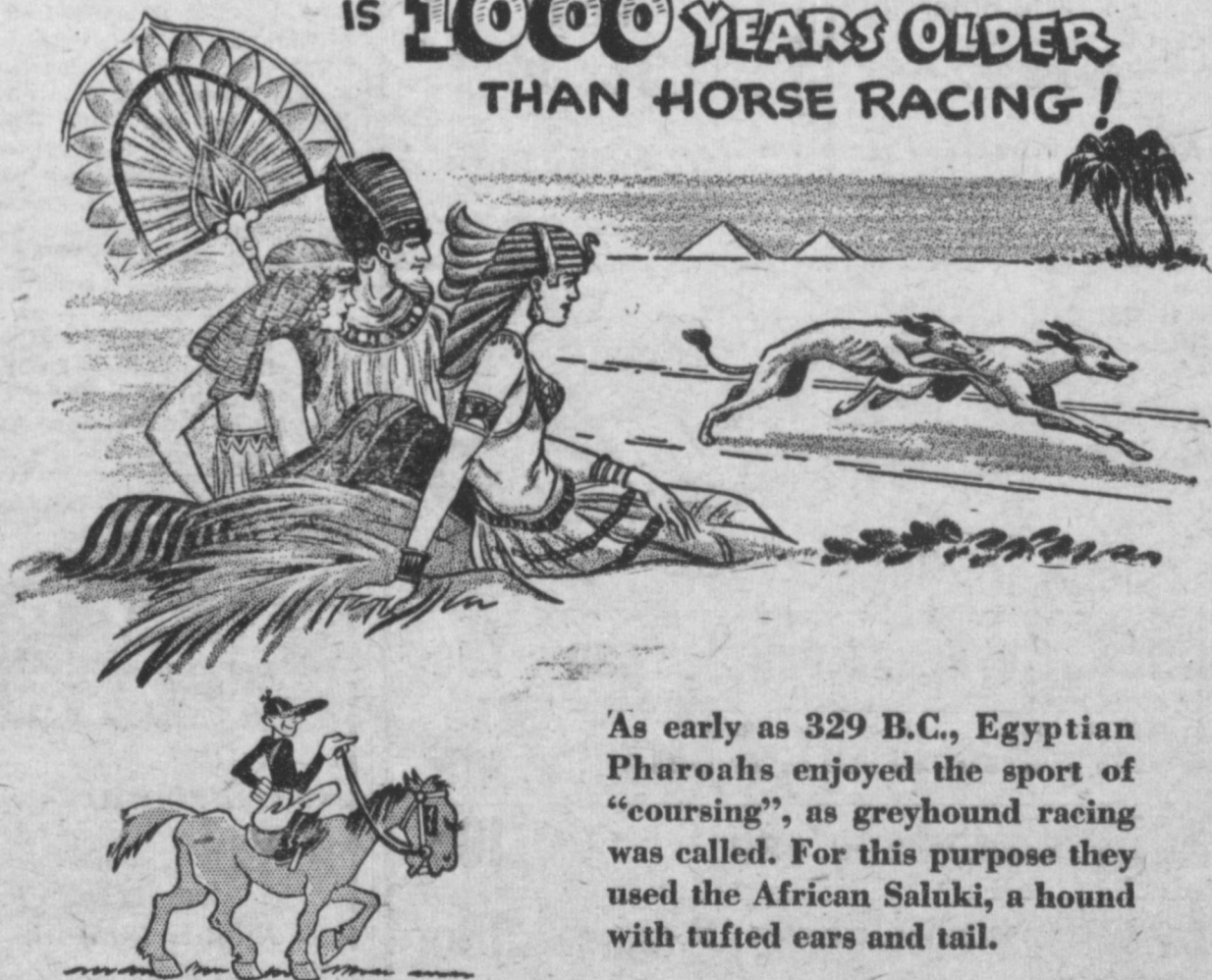
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Two Youths Hurt At School Job

Joe Johnson, Jr., was at home Thursday, his body in a cast as the result of a 35-foot fall last Monday, but lucky to be alive. He sustained a fractured vertebra and Harris Pollard, son of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard was painfully bruised when timbers being erected for the gymnasium at the high school collapsed.

John Young, Jr., Dies Suddenly

Funeral services were to be held at 4 p.m. Thursday for John A. Young, Jr., 59, native and lifelong resident of Rockport. Mr. Young died suddenly, Wednesday evening, as the result of a heart ailment. Funeral services were to be held from his home, with Rev. W. B. Wheeler, Methodist pastor, conducting. Pallbearers were to include Floyd G. Huffman, Lynwood Ellers, John Haynes, Ross Haynes, D. R. Simmons and Earnest Harriet. Burial was to be in Rockport cemetery.

New Tourist Courts Open

Openings of two new tourist courts in the Rockport area have been signaled in recent days by memberships of the owners in the Rockport Chamber of Commerce. Together, the two courts have provided accommodation for nearly a score of persons when filled to capacity, and additional units are to be opened by both as soon as practicable. First of the courts to announce opening was Kriger's Court, north of Rockport and abreast of Fulton on Highway 35.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Miller of Kingsville spent the 4th of July week-end with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Casterline.



Program

Sunday and Monday July 13-14

Mighty McGurk

Wallace Beery Edw. Arnold

Tuesday and Wednesday July 15-16

Cross My Heart

Betty Hutton Sonny Tufts

Thursday and Friday July 17-18

Ramrod

Joel McCrea Veronica Lake

Saturday July 19

Tumbleweed Trails

Eddie Dean

Civil Service Tests For Federal Jobs

Civil Service examinations have been announced for steamfitter, junior steamfitter, plumber, junior plumber, air conditioning and refrigeration servicer, and junior air conditioning and refrigeration servicer, Elvys Henry, executive secretary to the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, announced this week at San Antonio. Salaries for these positions, which will be filled in the War Department establishments in the vicinity of San Antonio, range from 82 cents to \$1.39 per hour.

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APARTMENT opposite highway department vacant first of next week, July 15. See Mrs. Gentry.
FOR SALE: Burpee No. 1 Can Sealer, new, \$10.00; Burpee No. 1 Can Sealer, slightly used, \$7.50; Milk Bottle Caps, wholesale cost, lb., 25c; Heinz, Gerber, Libby Baby Food, can 5c; Heinz Chicken, Vegetable, Gumbo Soups, 15c; G. E. Light Globes, 15 watt, 3 for 25c; G. E. Light Globes, 40 watt, 10c; Ark. M. Valley Water, case, 6 1/2 gals., \$3.00; No deposit on bottles. Fargo Grapefruit Meats No. 2, 3 for 25c; Texsun Grapefruit Juice No. 2, 3 for 25c; Diamond Matches, large boxes, 6 for 20c; Alamo Lye, 10c value, 5c; Windex, 6 oz. 10c; 20 oz. bottle, 25c; Lady Betty Mince Meat, 15 oz jar 25c; Seifers Chocolate Syrup, pint jar 25c; Rio Banco Red Heat Grapefruit Meats, 2 for 45c; Rio Banco Textem Pure Lemon Juice, No. 2 cans, 20 oz. net, no benzene soda, 20c; This juice half cost of lemons; Borden's or Carnation Malted Milk, jar 35c; 3 jars \$1.00. A. L. Bracht, Phone 219.
FOR SALE: 17 cu. ft. Coldsport deep freeze, first class condition, \$300.00. Charles Pemberton, Wells Court.

Group Picked to Direct Spending Of Surplus Cash

letic and physical training program in the past. Board Member Hugh Morrison said that the collapse of some timbers in the course of work at the gymnasium this week would not delay the work of erecting the building to any extent and that the mishap had no bearing on the structural strength of the gymnasium. The collapse, he said, was due to improper bracing in the early stages of construction work and was such an accident as could happen in any construction work. The damaged timbers have already been replaced and work is going ahead, Morrison said.

Along The Waterfront

Devine is making his headquarters at the airport and can be reached there every day, he says, from dawn to dark. THE MILLS BROTHERS, OUT at Mills Wharf, early quit trying to cut notches on their anchor chains for the trout caught. On July 3 Harry Mills pushed off in the "Sonata" with George and Homer Floerke of Beeville, Fred Floerke and Mrs. Helen Floerke of Taft and Keith Carpenter of Beeville. They came back with 40 trout. Meantime, Brother Herbert Mills took D. B. Keeton, K. M. Collins and two others, all of Mathis, out in the "Fisherman" and brought in an even 100 trout. On July 4, Leon Dennis and a party of three others, all of San Antonio, went out with Harry in the "Fisherman" and snagged 63 of the speckled beauties, while Herbert's party—S. X. Callahan, Jr., and four others from San Antonio—picked up 87 while out in the "Sonata." ON JULY 5, EVERYBODY really got down to business. Harry Senden and D. K. Nolen, both of McAllen, O. W. Nolen, Jr., of San Antonio, and Judge O. W. Nolen, Sr., of Odem, went out with Harry Mills and came in with 98 trout. But Herbert took all the joy out of life for them when he brought in Charles W. Marquis, Jr., Roy Lapp, H. C. Miles, Murray C. Marie and Herbert C. Buehl, all of Cuero, with a whopping 272 trout. SUNDAY, MR. AND MRS. C. A. Roegels of Alice and their two small daughters went fishing with Herbert Mills. The two youngsters didn't fish, but Mr. and Mrs. Roegels landed 127 trout. They also brought in an extra, a Perch Club membership for Mrs. Roegels. Mrs. Roegels was working her way forward while the boat was running under full speed to the foredeck where her daughters sat. She lost her hold and went overboard with the very finest of techniques. "But she not only wasn't hurt any," Mills reported, "she didn't even lose her sun glasses."

STATE REP. WILLIAM FLY of Victoria and his party were among those who shared in Sunday's fishing luck. Mr. and Mrs. Fly and Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Clements of Wharton were closing out a week at Oak Shore Apartments. They were joined by Thurman Clements of Wharton, L. T. Leonard of Victoria, and, together with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Murphy of Victoria who are staying at Palm Courts, went toward Mesquite Bay in two boats. One was piloted by Harry Mills, the other boat was the Welder estate craft ordinarily kept at Port Lavaca. Despite interest in the birds that equalled their interest in fishing the party came back with 98 nice trout.

HENRY BALLOU'S PARTIES on the "Earline B." shared the same run of good luck. On Sunday, a party composed of Fred Benton, Lloyd Babcock, Jim Minugh and Billy Harden, all of Kingsville, and Sam Noble of Corpus Christi caught 278 trout. On Tuesday, Ballou took out a party of five: D. C. Luckey, J. B. Newton, Harold Luckey, and Dr. J. B. Richards, all of Rockdale, and Dr. A. E. Cruse of Cameron. They came in at noon with 208 nice trout.

MEANWHILE, MR. AND MRS. R. P. Sipe continue to snag trout inside the yacht basin in pretty fair numbers. Their strings number into the forties before their arms wear out each time they go fishing. They won't tell the exact spot and neither would you,

Peggy Jane Finds Dog Through Mayor

ed Mrs. Randolph's description. The mayor was promptly called. "That's the dog, all right," the mayor said. "It is easy to see he is somebody's pet. He came up here, hungry and tired, and we took care of him and he just stayed. We called him 'Mae' and that seemed all right with him, too." Acting on Mrs. Randolph's request, The Pilot telephoned her at once at Austin. "Hurrah!" Mrs. Randolph exulted when she heard the news. "Peggy Jane will be tickled to death. Now she'll probably eat her supper. We'll drive down and pick Buddy up. And thanks a million to the mayor and The Pilot." Early Tuesday morning the Randolphs drove up to the Bruhl home. And that's why life is peaches and cream again for Peggy Jane and Buddy.

Development of Pleasure Area On Beach Looms

out there," Mayor Bruhl reminded. "I know," Theodore replied. "That doesn't matter. I want to put in a sea food cafe." McLemore said Theodore's proposition would not interfere with his, but that the two would rather help each other. McLemore said that he doesn't want beer sold in any of the area he may use, and pointed out that beer and liquor both are forbidden at North Beach park. McLemore's proposition left a way open for the city to cancel his concession if anything unsatisfactory should arise, or for himself to withdraw if the deal becomes unprofitable. Either the city or the company would be able to cancel the contract on 30 days notice. "But it will cost me from \$1000 to \$1200 to move over here," McLemore pointed out. "So you can count that I wouldn't want to come unless I were pretty sure that the deal would work out well for both sides." Following reports that movie makers were dissatisfied with the condition of North Beach at Corpus Christi, Hugh V. Haddock, the Chamber of Commerce secretary, checked and found, first that McLemore-Ray has an excellent reputation for clean amusement, and second that the fuss over the condition of North Beach had nothing to do with the amusement park. McLemore said he plans to circulate surrounding towns as far as Victoria to bring in vacationers and week-end visitors to enjoy his attractions. He pointed out that any such visitors would mean markedly more business for other Rockport enterprises. McLemore stressed that no gambling games, no tent shows or other questionable enterprises would be included in his set-up. "I'd like to be able to come back next year for the entire season if this works out," he told the council. "I certainly wouldn't want to do anything to give myself a black eye." The preliminary proposition to lay before the council was worked out by the Chamber of Commerce and pressed before the council by the secretary and President Roy V. Rogero. "I take it," Councilman James Hanway asked, "that the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring Mr. McLemore?" "The Chamber of Commerce is not sponsoring anybody," Haddock corrected. "What the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring is some arrangement to satisfy the popular need, and the demand of persons in the tourist business, to provide some additional entertainment for the benefit of our vacationers. "We are also deeply interested in seeing that the city has money to keep up that area once it is

Funeral Services For Dr. C. F. Cron As Area Mourns

well as Ingleside, much of San Patricio County, part of Refugio County and all of Aransas County. Numerous patients still have continued coming from Tivoli and Dr. Cron made almost regular trips to see numerous others in Ingleside and Aransas Pass. "No matter how weary he was, no matter how many hours he had put in," Mrs. S. F. Jackson said this week, "he never refused to roll out of bed and rush to see any sick person who called. He never allowed his own need of rest to stand in the way of attending those who needed him." When the war ended, Dr. Cron confided to a few friends that he was utterly weary and expressed concern as to the condition of his heart. Characteristically, however, he refused to worry his family on that score beyond casual mention and having Mrs. Cron listen to his heartbeat a few times.

Publicly he expressed hope that some younger doctor would see fit to settle in Rockport and take some of the heavy practice. Early this year, the Pilot carried Dr. Cron's request for help, as related by Hugh Morrison at a Chamber of Commerce meeting. The result was that Dr. Hildebrand joined him here about three months ago.

The arrangement gave Dr. Cron a measure of rest and allowed him to take his first vacation since 1940. At the end of May, accompanied by his younger daughter, Miss Bonnie Cron, and his older son, John, he drove to St. Charles, Mo. There they were joined by his older daughter, Miss Charlotte Cron, who was finishing her first year at Lindenwood College. Together, they went on to St. Louis, then to Iowa, visiting relatives and old friends of Dr. Cron's before returning to Rockport by way of Corpus Christi.

Although Dr. Cron had absolutely no time in recent years for activity in civic groups, he was an organizer and past president of the Rockport Lions Club of a few years back. He was also a member of the Presbyterian church. Survivors include his widow; the two daughters; John and one other son, Cyril Thomas; one brother, Cyril McClane Cron of Miami, Ariz.; two sisters, Mrs. S. S. Westly and Mrs. Gabriel Westly of Manly, Iowa. Mrs. Gabriel Westly and her husband were able to make the trip to Rockport for the funeral, arriving Monday night.

taken over from the Navigation Board. "Into that situation Mr. McLemore stepped. It is our belief that his proposition is meritorious and the best one offered. For that reason the Chamber of Commerce has tried to bring him and the city administration together."

The only person to protest the setting up of an amusement park, properly operated, on the beach was Travis Bailey, whose house fronts the beach triangles. Bailey told the council that he had always "thought of that property as park property, something for an auditorium or something else to beautify the city."

Bailey pointed out that, in spite of the fact that Rockport has provided no special amusement, the tourist traffic has grown and forecast that it would continue to grow. "If the city wants something done with that property," Bailey said, "I represent people who have money to do it right. We might be able to offer you a real proposition."

Bailey made no specific proposition, however. Proponents of the amusement park plan pointed out that the arrangement proposed would not tie up the beach front. Under the 30-day cancellation clause, the way would be wide open, they emphasized, for any proposition which moneyed interests might make later for a different type of development.

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