

## Along The Waterfront



GERALD ADOLPHUS TOOK Sam Kilgore and his son of Seguin and R. S. Ryden and party out hunting two days last week. All of the party got their limit both days. Kilgore brought in a one legged duck which was somewhat of a biological oddity as examination showed the leg had not been blown off by hunters, but that there had never been a joint for the missing leg. Kilgore also had a duck that was tagged which was another source of interest to Wm. Heit, waterfowl man.

LON FITZGERALD, PHOTOGRAPHER down from Austin to photograph duck life for the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, was one of the few duck lovers who welcomed the sunshine of the past several days. But still Lon wasn't happy. Last week-end he crawled through one-fourth mile of mud on his stomach carefully holding his camera above him so he wouldn't get it wet. Well, when he arrived at the clearing, to his dismay he found the ducks he had been so careful not to arouse were decoys. Better luck next time, Lon.

FIRST PRIZE FOR THE FISH of the week goes to Fred M. Hunt. Hunt was indulging in a bit of the sport down at the basin, when he snagged what he thought was a trout and it was, but not on his bait. It seems some one before him had lost an artificial bait and hooked into the line, pulling up a trout all right but on the other man's bait.

NO DOUBT HONORS FOR the best all around catch should go to A. O. Freeman, Rockport's own product, for the string of trout he collected Saturday. After an afternoon spent at free shrimping, Freeman had some 80 pounds of trout and there wasn't a small one in the bunch. Every trout would average about 2 pounds apiece. Freeman pulled some of the better fish out of the bay Friday too as he had 32 pounds left after giving away several trout to friends.

CHARLIE CLEVELAND HAD 105 large trout he was trying to get rid of Monday afternoon. Charlie said he caught them over by the old ship yard.

EACH PIER DOWN AT THE fish bowl was occupied over the week-end and those at the bend seemed to be having the better luck. Everyone was catching fish though many of them were running small.

MRS. WESTBAY DOWN from Amarillo caught the first fish of her life as her husband took time out for a sandwich.

MR. AND MRS. C. L. THOMAS, Oklahomans who have been in this vicinity since March, weren't exactly wasting their time out there in the sunshine. Their Saturday's catch totaled about 90 pounds. Mrs. Thomas even pulled a flounder out of the basin.

MR. AND MRS. J. L. ARCHE keep coming back to Rockport for more fishing. They have a trailer which they travel around the country in. The Arche's went back to Iowa this fall but couldn't resist returning for the winter fishing and they caught lots of trout over the week-end though some were small.

MR. AND MRS. J. S. WILLEY, Los Angeles, California, stopped in Rockport to enjoy the sport while on a winter tour of the south. Willey hadn't fished for years but evidently hadn't forgotten the how and wherefor as the trout kept him busy reeling them in.

FISHERMEN CAN BE FOUND down around the basin till 10 at night and the weather has been ideal for the sport. Most of those

## Aransas County To Have New Pavement

The State Highway Commission ordered Wednesday that new surfacing be placed on Highway 35 from a point 7 mile north of the Copano Bay Causeway to Rockport. The 6.8 mile project is estimated at \$9,700. The work will be financed with state funds which the commission has been holding in reserve since the construction holiday during the war years.

The preparatory work on the road has been completed and all shell work is practically done. According to Judge Fox it is too cold now for good asphalt work to be done but the pavement will be started in the spring as soon as weather conditions are favorable.

State Highway commission chairman, John S. Redditt explained the Aransas County construction was part of a general statewide move to modernize and rehabilitate 1,356 miles of state roads. "We have ordered jobs estimated to cost \$6,330,500 to protect our investment in present roads and to give greater comfort and convenience to the people using them," Redditt said.

The projects ordered Wednesday cover all areas of the State. They include reshaping and widening many narrow "razor back" roads, new surfaces for asphalt building stable shoulders, elimination of sharp curves, and other work to improve a great many of the highway system's bad sections.

The work will be done in the spring and summer months of 1948 when the next construction season bring favorable weather conditions.

## Drilling On A. C. Glass No. 1 Down To 7,400 Feet

Drilling by the Placid Oil Company et al on the A. C. Glass trustee, No. 1, reached the 7,400 foot mark Monday. A test made of the sand tested salt water. According to Mr. Glass it was showing up just right but the sand didn't test that way. Plans to continue the drilling to the 9,000 foot mark are now being decided upon. If the drilling is continued it will take about two weeks to reach the 9,000 foot mark.

The A. C. Glass trustee, No. 1, is located 467 feet to the east of highway 35, 800 feet from the water on Live Oak Point and 1,600 feet south from the cross road going to the Jolly Roger resort.

## Illegal Hunters Draw Fines

Justice of the Peace, Joe Smith, reported that Edward Wright, Texas University student, pleaded guilty to the charge of shooting ducks after closing time (4:39 o'clock), December 21, Wright paid a fine of \$50 and costs of \$11.

Henry Olsen plead guilty to the charge of possessing a seine within one mile of North Pass December 18. He paid a fine of \$25 and costs of \$11.

Two Corpus Christi boys were charged with shooting ducks on the Texas game preserve, December 21, and paid a fine of \$50 and costs.

## Reckless Driving Causes Accident

Charges of reckless driving have been filed against Mr. E. Harloo of Aransas Pass. Mr. Harloo rammed into the car of W. L. Legro, Houston, Friday night on the highway 35, between the A. L. Bruhl and Noah Smith homes. The cars were going south when the accident occurred.

practicing night fishing have been free shrimping.

LANGDON KINDLER, PAT Mann and Don Luthay were down from A. and M. College Saturday collecting duck stomachs. The boys are working on a project concerning the sex age of the duck and had 91 stomachs to work on after Saturday's hunting trip. Kinder brought his pet skunk along to the dismay of many Rockport citizens. Tourist courts did not care much for the animal either as Kinder seemed to be having difficulty locating a place to stay.



Christmas PEACE ON EARTH

## The Christmas Season

Every Christmas season brings to us the recurring knowledge that mankind need not be destined for sorrow, dejection and strife. The spirit of Christmas captures us with its glory and teaches us that a lasting peace on earth is our highest goal.

Our one wish is that the spirit of the Christmas star may be our perpetual guide and that we may meet our fellow men on the level of peace, trust and friendship not just during this Christmas season, but forever.

It is in this spirit that we wish all of you a

Merry Christmas



The Rockport Pilot

## Hunters Dislike Sunshine As Ducks Won't Move

Duck hunting along the Texas coast has been sparse since the opening of the last half of the season because of the "blue bird" weather. The ducks simply have not been moving. Wm. S. Heit of the Waterfowl division flew to Beaumont last week end and observed plenty of ducks along the way but they were in places inaccessible to the hunter. The best accumulation of ducks has been right here in Red Fish Bay.

A local hunting club reported that in one party of 20 men returning from a hunt only 13 ducks were in their possession. Failure of the men to obtain their limit was laid partly to unfavorable methods to decoy them in the kind of weather the week-end produced.

## Man Lost from Tug Boat Located

Will Close, commercial fisherman, found a body floated in on a bar over at Mud Island Point last Friday, and radioed his son working on a boat out of Rockport to notify authorities.

Deputy Sherman Mundine contacted Stanley Shults who took a boat over and picked up the body, Friday, about 5 o'clock. The man was turned over to Cage Funeral home.

H. Hanson of the Marine Ways Towing Co. identified the corpse as that of Benjamin Celic, by papers in his clothing. The man was lost overboard December 9. The captain of the tugboat missed Celic between Rockport and Aransas and radioed the boat of Roy Miller who reported the accident to Floyd Smith, harbor master, and the Coast Guard at Port Aransas. Raymond Roberts made a search of the bay the night of the ninth, but could find no trace of the body.

Celic's family have been contacted at Long Island, New York and arrangements have been made to send the body to San Antonio for cremation after which it will be shipped to New York.

## Waterfowl Div. Receives Air Propelled Boat

Wm. S. Heit returned from Beaumont Sunday morning with a new air propelled boat which he immediately launched in Aransas Bay. The new craft was custom made at Beaumont by the Pine Crest boat works and is the only boat of its kind in this area of the coast. It is 12 feet long and five feet in width with a 65 horse power Franklin engine with an estimated speed of 40 miles per hour.

The boat is designed to run in shallow water and its maximum efficiency is reached in water two to three inches deep. It will be of value to the men of the Waterfowl Division of the Marine Laboratory as it will permit them to reach bays and bays to check waterfowl and vegetation in areas that have heretofore been inaccessible.

The boat has a removable rudder which can be lifted when shallow waters are reached and the air propeller maneuvers it in these places.

This type of boat has a micarta bottom which is more flexible than bakelite and takes a tremendous impact.

It was first developed in Florida and has been used there for several years. The army made use of this craft during the war when it was used for rescue work in the Florida swamps.

## College Students Return for Two Weeks Holiday

Saturday saw many college students returning to Rockport for the holidays many of them not due to return until January 5. Those seen around town this week include Harris Pollard from Austin College in Sherman; Charles Roe and Shirley Ratisseau from Texas Tech. in Lubbock. Mary Lou McLester and Elizabeth Freeman are here from A. T. C. in Corpus Christi.

Bobby Joe Hewitt, David Herring and Bonnie Blaylock are home from the University of Texas in Austin. Bert Haney and Lucille Haynes returned Saturday from Southwestern in Georgetown. Charlotte Cron has arrived from Lindwood College in St. Louis, Missouri, Claude Roberts, Jimmy Herring and Roy Lassiter are here from A. & I. in Kingsville.

Joe Johnson, Jr. arrived home Saturday from A. & M. while Jerry Wendell and Russell Rowe are here from Trinity University in San Antonio.

## Mag Solicitor Plugging for Rockport Bakery

Charles Roe, Sr., though he has been out of circulation for about two months now as the result of a heart attack, is not far enough from the outside world to miss a salesman now and then.

For some time his doctor has permitted him to see salesmen when necessary and the other day, somewhat of an oddity slipped through his front door. This particular salesman wasn't the usual meat selling variety but had somewhat of an unusual proposal to offer.

Mr. X stated he was out soliciting the good will of the Rockport people as he had in mind setting up a bakery here. This did not seem so strange to Roe since Rockport has no bakery, so he made a few inquiries. Mr. X said he had two lots here but hadn't decided upon which one he would locate. He stated that he would start building as soon as he could raise \$500 for this purpose and that was the reason for his call.

Now if Mr. Roe would kindly look over his fine selection of magazines and subscribe to some, he would be aiding himself immensely as this was the method by which he was trying to raise the \$500.

Roe had to admit this was a magazine selling line he had never run up against and presumes there are several others in Rockport. Mr. X contacted as he made his good will tour of the town.

## School Bond Election Meets Unanimous Approval 43-0

The \$15,000 school bond issue of the Rockport Independent School District, was passed last Saturday by a unanimous vote of 43 to 0. The board of trustees elected by the school district will hold a meeting before the first of the year to carry out plans to provide a new school bus, to make

## Marine Lab Receives Modern Weather Recording Instrument

Included in the equipment received for the new marine laboratory is a cycl-stromograph which will be added to the existing weather station equipment.

The cycl-stromograph automatically writes on a chart a continuous record of changes in the pressure of the air and notes them correctly both as to day and hour. By its use one can at a glance, ascertain the condition of the air as regards to its pressure trend. Changes in air pressure may take place during the night when they would never be seen on a strictly indicating barometer. But the cycl-stromograph records them all with indelible ink on a revolving paper chart marked to cover weekly period.

This modern instrument has a high grade barograph movement with a fine spring wound clock. The base is mahogany finished wood. The cover is heavy glass, firmly cemented and snug fitting to prevent dust from entering the case. It is furnished with a forecast card for displaying weather forecasts.

The laboratory adds this piece of equipment to its collection of tide gauge, rain gauge, and maximum and minimum thermometer.

The weather forecasts used with the continuous recording barometer are made from averages covering many years and are the result of extensive study and the compilation of much data. They indicate the kind of weather to be reasonably expected for a period covering 12 to 24 hours.

## Burial Services For Aransas Infant

Baby Harold Lynn Mundine, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Mundine of Aransas Pass died at birth Sunday morning at Memorial Hospital, Corpus Christi.

Services were conducted by the Reverend R. H. Cunningham at Fulton at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Cage Funeral Home, Aransas Pass. Burial was in the Rockport cemetery.

Rodney Mundine is a brother of Sherman Mundine, Rockport.

## Mrs. Kenerley Taken To Spohn Hospital

Mrs. Lurla Kenerley, sister of J. M. Sparks, was taken to Spohn Hospital in Corpus Christi, Monday afternoon per ambulance. Mrs. Kenerley has been in failing health for about three weeks and Sunday was forced to go to bed. Her doctor thought it advisable that she go to the hospital for a check-up.

## C. P. and L. Complete Power Line In Fulton Beach Area

The Central Power and Light Co. received permit from the State Highway Department they had been waiting for, Friday morning and went to work immediately to complete extension of its lines to improve the service in Fulton Beach and provide a basis for future extensions at the north end of the peninsula.

Lights were off 45 minutes Friday afternoon as the crew began filling in the strip from Kriger's Courts to Club 35. Power was cut off so that the old transformers with 2,300 voltge could be changed to new ones carrying 11,000 volts. The men have been stringing wire and setting poles in an attempt to finish the line by Christmas.

C. P. & L. recently finished a line at the north end of Fulton Beach from tract 25 to tract 32. Next year's budget calls for expansion of the line to the causeway and to Jolly Roger Camp

repairs to the high school and to obtain equipment for the new rooms in the gymnasium. Members of the school board plan to get the rehabilitation program underway as quickly as possible.

Everything needed by the schools has advanced in price and with the school population increasing from 50 to 60 per year, it will be no small job to get the buildings in repair and equipped to meet the necessities for Rockport's increasing school populace.

But one step forward has been made. Rockport voters recognized a necessity concerning the welfare of its school children and met it.

The aim of the school board is to put all of the buildings on a par with the study hall and the library which are housed in the gymnasium, so that the state directors when they again visit Rockport can put their seal of approval on all of the school facilities.

Rockport citizens certainly indicated by their unanimous vote that they intended to maintain a nine months school period and that their youngsters will be assured of the privilege of entering upon school of higher education upon graduation from the Rockport high school.

An important fact regarding the bond issue, is that the Rockport voters were able to provide the necessary funds to repair their school system, and at the same time taxes would remain the same. Although the legislature felt it necessary to cut their appropriation 16 per cent, it has been shown that it will not be the school children that will suffer from such an act.

## Tourist Advertising Program Still Bringing Inquiries

The Chamber of Commerce has been receiving a small but steady flow of inquiries regarding the ads placed in weekly newspapers over the country. The first ad was placed in the weeklies the first week in December and another set will appear in January.

Both the Chamber of Commerce and the Rockport-Fulton Beach Tourist Court Association are agreed that if ads appearing this late in the year will bring in such results, an ad run in the early part of the season, around September, should produce even better results. Members are of this opinion that by December, many people have already made plans as to where they will spend their winter vacation.

The Tourist Court Association has received nearly 400 replies in answer to the two series of ads that have appeared in the Sunday editions of large daily papers.

Both groups sponsoring the advertising have received requests for reservations and members are pleased with the results of the program.

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One Year Outside Aransas County	\$3.00
Six Months Outside Aransas County	\$2.00

## SPORTSMANSHIP

It would appear necessary to many citizens of the Rockport community that the subject of sportsmanship be brought to attention once more. The specific incident occurring this week will recall to mind many other occurrences around the fish bowl which deserve mentioning again.

Monday afternoon about 15 fishermen, both commercial and tourist, were trying their luck on the south side of of the old ship yard where the fish were reported to be moving from the basin. A line of skiffs were strung out and doing right well, too, when a shrimper run by members of the younger generation pulled through the lines with the motor wide open. One fisherman called their hand only to receive the reply, "do you want to make something out of it." The boys left the scene to return again to the favored fishing place, beating on the side of the boat and raising a general uproar. Now according to rules of the coast guard, the boys should have at least cut the speed down to five miles per hour.

One school of thought on this subject comes from the business men of Rockport which includes the local boat owners and sales shops. These men have invested a considerable sum for the purpose of advertising to lure the tourist to Rockport. This area around the old ship yard was referred to the tourist, as the ideal fishing spot of the moment. And it is no wonder that they were aggravated when the boys pulled through, disturbing the fish in such a fashion. The prevailing attitude among the business men is that if this sort of thing is going to exist, why throw money away, if you're going to get tourists down here only to disappoint them. Or—one bad potato will spoil the bag. It is common knowledge that one satisfied customer will bring a dozen.

Last year a number of complaints were received concerning the basin fishermen. Boat owners were irritated by the careless way their boats were over-run by tourists and left with cigarette butts ground into the paint, and scratches all over the sides requiring new paint jobs.

Both local and tourist sportsmen complained of the way skiffs out in the bay closed in when a pier fisherman made a good catch, blocking the way for a long cast.

It would appear that each group concerned has a complaint to file and the only way to cope with these situations as brought to our attention, is that fishermen, commercial, tourist and otherwise, follow the rules of good sportsmanship, and troubles can be cut to a minimum.

Rockport being a tourist center and home of commercial fishermen and shrimpers alike, has a double duty to perform.

Most shrimpers have displayed courtesy when docking their boats, most pier fishermen do not hoard the docks for one party, and fishermen going out in skiffs make a practice of rowing out a way before starting their motor, so the goal to be reached is that all groups observe these rules of courtesy and Rockport can become a happy fishing ground for everyone.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS, To: Frank D. Hawes, F. D. Hawes, Mrs. L. C. Mathews, L. C. Mathews, R. J. Carroll, and J. E. Carroll, Sr., if living, and if any of the above named persons be dead, the unknown heirs, administrators, executors, and/or legal representatives of each or all of the said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown owner or owners of the land described in plaintiff's petition filed in this cause, and all persons owning or claiming an interest in and to said land Defendants, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Aransas County at the Court House thereof, in Rockport, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the issuance of this citation, same being the 26th day of January A.D. 1948, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 13th day of December A.D. 1947, in this cause, numbered 2603 on the docket of said court and styled R. E. Britt, Plaintiff vs. Frank D. Hawes, et al Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: An action in Trespass to Try Title as well as for damages to the following described tract of land lying in Aransas County, Texas, to-wit:

BEING Lots Number THREE (3), ELEVEN (11), TWELVE (12), THIRTEEN (13) and FOURTEEN, in Block Number THIRTY-THREE (33), of the Doughty and Mathis Division, City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, according to the Paul McCombs map of said Block Number THIRTY-THREE (33), of the Doughty and Mathis Division thereof, of record in Volume "E", pages 272-273, of the Deed Records of Aransas County, Texas, reference to which is here made for more complete description of said land.

as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Rockport, Texas this 13th day of December A. D., 1947.

Attest:  
JAS. C. HERRING, Clerk,  
District Court, Aransas  
County, Texas c38

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To W. E. Pyne and T. E. Bush, if living, and if either or both of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs, administrators, executors, and/or legal representatives of each or all of the above named persons who may be dead; and the unknown owner or owners of the land described in Plaintiff's Petition and all persons owning or claiming any interest in and to the land described in Plaintiff's Petition, Defendants, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 36th Judicial District of Aransas County at the Court House thereof, in Rockport, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 2nd day of February A. D. 1948, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 8th day of December A. D. 1947, in this cause, numbered 2601 on the docket of said court and styled Harry E. Dickinson Plaintiff, vs. W. E. Pyne, et al, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit in trespass to try title, for title and possession as well as for damages of the following described property, to-wit:

All of Farm Lots one (1), two (2), and three (3) in the C. H. Moore's Subdivision of a part of the Joseph Fessenden Survey in Aransas County, Texas, according to the official map or plat thereof on page 22 of Volume 1 of the map or plat record of Aransas County, Texas, Plaintiff relying upon a special plea of title supported by the Ten Year Statute of Limitation of the State of Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Rockport, Texas, this 15th day of December A. D. 1947.

Attest:  
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## CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR YOUNGSTERS OF CATHOLIC FAITH

A Christmas party was given Saturday afternoon at the Catholic hall for all the children of the Catechism classes. Mrs. Jordan Weber was in charge of the program given by the children of preschool age and the primary grades, Mrs. Elva Mullinax had charge of the third and fourth grade program and Mrs. Jess Harbin supervised the fifth grade through the high school.

The Christmas tree for the occasion was furnished by Mrs. Urban Hemmi. Names were drawn and each child exchanged gifts. Bags of candy and fruit were distributed to all the children.

## Chevrolet Sales Hit New High

DETROIT—For the second consecutive month, Chevrolet truck sales hit a new high, with 29,701 sold during November, it was announced here today by T. H. Keating, general sales manager of the Chevrolet Motor Division.

This figure was 241 units higher than the previous all-time record set in October. The sale of Chevrolet's new "advance-design" line of trucks has mounted steadily since the new vehicles were introduced last summer. These figures represent sales in the United States by dealers to consumers.

The "advance-design" trucks are available in eight wheelbases with a wide variety of body styles to fit nearly every conceivable purpose.

## STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

Management, etc. required by the Act of Congress of Aug. 24, 1912 and March 3, 1933 of The Rockport Pilot, published weekly at Rockport, Texas, for \*Dec. 25, 1947. Publishers and owners, R. Roy Wood and Roy V. Rogero. Known mortgagee, Nolte National Bank, Seguin, Texas.

R. ROY WOODS,  
ROY V. ROGERO,  
Owners

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of Dec., 1947.

MARY FRANCES BELL,  
Notary Public,  
Aransas County, Texas

\*That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the 12 months preceding the date shown above is 923.

## NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The Regular Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of The First National Bank of Rockport, Texas will be held in the Bank's Office at Rockport, Texas at 2 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday January 13th, 1948 for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for any other Legal Purpose that may be brought before said Meeting.

A. C. GLASS, Cashier c37

## BARNWARMIN' QUEEN



Southern belle Martha Strong looks pretty tickled as she wears the crown that shows she's Queen of the 25th Annual Barnwarmin' at the University of Tennessee. Martha, chosen by agriculture students at the University, wears a billowy dotted swiss dancing frock in keeping with the "King Cotton" theme of the event.

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## Merry Christmas

To you and yours—from all of us—  
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The same old words, the same old wish,  
The same wholehearted way—  
From all the phrases we might choose,  
These are the warmest words to use!

A Merry Christmas—everyone!  
And merry may it be,  
Rich with friendship, starred with love,  
And luck and gaiety—  
A day whose memory will abide  
From Christmastide to Christmastide!

CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ATTENDS PARTY**

Mrs. E. B. Crawford entertained the Intermediate Sunday school class of the Baptist Church at her home Friday evening. Various games were played throughout the evening and favors of bags of candy were received. Gifts were exchanged.

A lighted Christmas tree with an electric Santa Claus underneath served as holiday decorations.

Members present were Lee Billings, Tommy Shults, John Freeman, Gene Smith, Gary Smith, Ruby Casey and Elsie Blackwell.

**McELVEENS GIVE CHICKEN SUPPER**

Mr. and Mrs. Marion McElveen entertained at their home Sunday night with a chicken supper, buffet style. During the evening the game of bunco was in progress. High scores were won by Woody Hunt, and Mrs. Oscar Smith. Booby prize was awarded to Ruth Mullinax.

Guests included Mrs. Oscar Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Ammons and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Russell, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Diederich, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mullinax and Ruth, and Woody Hunt.

Peggy Owens, high school student formerly of Rockport, is here visiting her brother Glenn Owens.

**ANNUAL JOY GIFT PROGRAM SUNDAY NIGHT AT CHURCH**

The Presbyterian Ladies Auxiliary arranged the pageant for the Joy Gift program presented annually to provide relief for aged and infirmed ministers, their widows and children.

The pageant was presented at the Presbyterian Church Sunday night. Mrs. James B. Jackson and Mrs. N. F. Jackson were in charge, assisted by Mrs. E. J. Albin and Mrs. T. T. Pollard.

The choir provided background music for the pageant. Members of the choir are Mrs. N. F. Jackson, Marvin Pollard, Lucille Haynes, Harris Pollard, James Bracht, and Mrs. Marvin Pollard, Shelby Pollard and Travis Bailey.

Rev. G. T. Cunningham furnished marimba music. Young people participating in the pageant were Mrs. Cleveland Kelly, reader, and Miss Bonnie Cron, Miss Ruby Wilkinson and Miss Wilbern Hamblin as Christmas angels.

Miss Molly Sparks took the part of Mary. Child Angels were Frances Lee Deason, Lola Jean Ballou, Nancy Hayden, Joy Roe, Billy Joe Rowe, Delia Knippa, and Charlie Garrett.

Steven Atwood, Jim Morrison, Travis Smith, Jim Cloberdants and Pat Smith acted the part of the shepherds.

Jimmy Little, Jimmy Hayden and Bob Albin were the Wise Men.

Bob Morrison assisted Mr. N. F. Jackson with the scenery. John Ratliff and Floyd Smith were in charge of the lighting. Mildred Wilkinson and Patti Ballou assisted with the costumes.

**FULTON SCHOOL CHILDREN GIVE CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Fulton grade school children under the direction of Mrs. Lowery and Mrs. James, presented a Christmas for their parents at the school auditorium, Friday night.

The first and second grades acted out "The Old Woman in the Shoe". Students of the third, fourth and fifth grades gave five scenes on the birth of Christ. A chorus composed of six of the children sang special music during the birth of Christ scene. The group put the program on again at the Fulton community church Tuesday night.

After the program Santa Claus gave away candy and popcorn to the youngsters.

**BI-MONTHLY SCHOOL SOCIAL HELD FRIDAY**

Red and green crepe paper streamers, a lighted tree, and a crepe paper dome, decorated the school cafeteria for the bi-monthly school social held at the school house last Friday night.

The younger set spent the evening dancing.

Students in charge of the decorations were Joan Collins, Loyce Mae Shults, Leon Brundrett, Sam James, Jimmy Hayden, Jean Hinton.

The social was sponsored by members of the school faculty.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLERS OUT MONDAY NIGHT**

The Sunday school classes of the Presbyterian Church convened at the church Monday night for their Christmas party. One hundred and twenty-five were present, which included several guests.

Each class contributed part of the program. Santa Claus came and distributed candy and gifts were exchanged.

After the program the young people went caroling with Mrs. Pollard in charge. After the caroling all congregated at the Pollard home for punch and popcorn.



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**HOLIDAY THEME PREVAILS AT WED. BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. L. M. Bracht and Misses Genevieve and Mabel Bracht entertained the Wednesday bridge club at their home Thursday afternoon, December 18. The club met a week ahead of schedule so that it wouldn't fall the day before Christmas.

The Bracht home was decorated with holly, red gladiolus, and white snow balls. Refreshments of eggnog, fruit cake, stuffed dates, sandwiches and coffee were served.

Those attending the party were Mrs. Fred Bracht, Mrs. Fred Booth, Mrs. Arlie Shivers, Mrs. C. M. Hopkins, Mrs. R. C. Thurman, Mrs. Fred B. Hunt, Mrs. L. E. Sanders, Mrs. Roy Wood, Mrs. Charles Picton, Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries, Mrs. Fred Christilles, Mrs. Roy Rogero, Mrs. Joe Collins, Mrs. James Sorenson, and Mrs. J. H. Mills.

Mrs. J. H. Mills won high score and Mrs. Fred Booth won second high for members of the club. Mrs. Arlie Shivers won high and Mrs. R. C. Thurman was second high among the guests.

After bridge a game of "Merry Christmas" was played. Mrs. Shivers was winner and received a set of ash trays. Mrs. Collins was awarded a salad bowl as consolation prize.

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP HAS XMAS PARTY**

The Baptist Church Youth Fellowship held a Christmas party at the church and parsonage Saturday night. The program was held at the church and was opened with the group singing Christmas carols. Barbara Ann Freeman read the Christmas story as told in the second chapter of Luke. Rev. Cunningham gave a short devotion.

The young people then went to the parsonage where the guests played "Hearts". Santa came and delivered gifts to all.

Refreshments of cake and punch and candies were served. The nativity scene formed the background for the table which had a centerpiece of three red bells on silver leaves. Mrs. Cunningham served from the punch service at one end of the table and Mrs. Iva Hague served the cake placed at the other end of the table.

Phillip Cunningham of Kingsville gave a caricature performance with drawings and descriptions.

**SEVENTH GRADE GROUP GATHERS AT HUFFMAN HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Huffman entertained a group of seventh grade boys and girls at their home Friday night, in honor of their son, Gerald.

The group gathered around a lighted tree for entertainment consisting of a number of games. A supper of chicken salad, shoe string potatoes, cookies, Christmas candy and cold drinks were served.

The boys were invited and asked to bring their own guests. Those attending the party included Oscar Stelzig, Kane Lassiter, Leon Barber, Joe Earl Hunt, Jimmy Sparks, Cloyce Hayden, Jimmy Ben Cloberdants, Charlie Garrett, and Charles Hammond Smith. Girls invited were Clydene Sparks, Alma Jean Ratliff, Shirley Faye Harrell, Virginia Ann Mundine, Dora Bell McLeister, Nancy Hayden, Joan Smith, and Frances Lee Deason.

Raymond Nolan came from Houston with his father to attend the festivities. Mr. and Mrs. Morris McLeister and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cloberdants were invited guests and the ladies helped with the serving.

**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS ENTERTAIN WITH FORMAL DANCE**

Bonnie Cron, Jean Faye Johnson, Joan Collins and Jean Hinton entertained friends with a formal dance held at the concession hall in Lamar. The party began at 8 o'clock Tuesday night and 75 invited guests gathered to enjoy the festivities.

Holiday decorations centered around a lighted tree and the mantle was adorned with sprays of holly.

Refreshments of pop corn balls, cookies, dainty finger sandwiches and punch were served in the dining hall across the corridor from the dance floor.

Mothers of the girls entertaining acted as chaperons for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas George of Lubbock arrived in Rockport Monday to attend the wedding of Charles Roe Jr. and Miss Dixie Townsend which took place this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Clark and children came from Port Arthur today for the wedding.

**HINTON'S ENTERTAIN SCHOOL FACULTY AT CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Hinton home was the scene of a gathering last Thursday evening, when Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hinton honored the school faculty, their husbands and wives, with a Yuletide party. After the guests arrived the house was filled with strains of "Silent Night" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" rendered by the school choral club, who had assembled on the west lawn beneath the windows.

The faculty cast aside school dignity and entered into the spirit of party fun and frolic. Several contests were enjoyed and prizes were won by Mr. Eugene Albin and Col. Morris.

Roy Hinton, acting as proxy for Santa Claus, distributed decorated bags of candy to each "boy and girl," after being assured individually that they had been real good during the year. At this time Superintendent Harbin made a surprise speech of appreciation and presented Mrs. Hinton with a silver bread tray, a gift from a group of the school officials, in behalf of her interest in the school and faculty.

The mantle in the dining room was banked with sprays of silver balls and a small tree of varicolored balls, while the buffet held a mound of fruit at one end and an epergne containing red Radiance roses, fern and lighted red tapers at the other end. The table was centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums, red berries and fern, and flanked by triple candelabra holding red tapers.

Mrs. Roy Lee Hart served tuna sandwiches, stuffed olives and cake, while Mrs. Albin presided at the coffee service.

The climax of the evening was snowballing of Bill McGrath. His head protruded through a sheet suspended in the doorway between the dining room and music room and each guest tried their skill in making the hardest hit with paper snowballs.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ramseur, Mr. Owen James, Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, Mrs. Bertha Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Harbin, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden, Mr. Bill McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cecil, Mrs. C. D. Prophet, Col. and Mrs. R. C. Morris, Mrs. Ruth

Rundlett, Dr. and Mrs. Rich, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Albin, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Hart, Misses Katie Lee, Dixie Townsend, Ruth Lipscomb and Mrs. Charlyne Hunt.

**MARINE LABORATORY PERSONNEL ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Members of the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Heit Tuesday night. The Heit home was colorfully decorated with red and green crepe paper and a lighted Christmas tree. A buffet supper of sandwiches, potato salad, pickles, olives, potato chips, dessert and coffee was served.

Those invited were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Baker, J. L. Baughman, Mary Frances Bell, Stanley S. Shults, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Warren, Barney L. Bingham, Eldon Mullins, Jerry Hawes, and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Mullinax all of the Game Department.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Noah Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Collins, George Devine, Len Crook.

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**SHIVERS' GROCERY**

Jackie Blackwell left for Gonzales Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blackwell, who recently moved there from Rockport.

Charlie Cleveland and Sheriff Curry went to San Antonio Friday to meet Mr. Curry's son, Maurice, who arrived on the train from Los Angeles. Maurice Curry, who is employed in the Security First National Bank in Los Angeles, will remain in Rockport visiting his parents through the Christmas season.

Mrs. W. O. Jeffries arrived Monday from Oklahoma City to spend the holidays with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries and children.

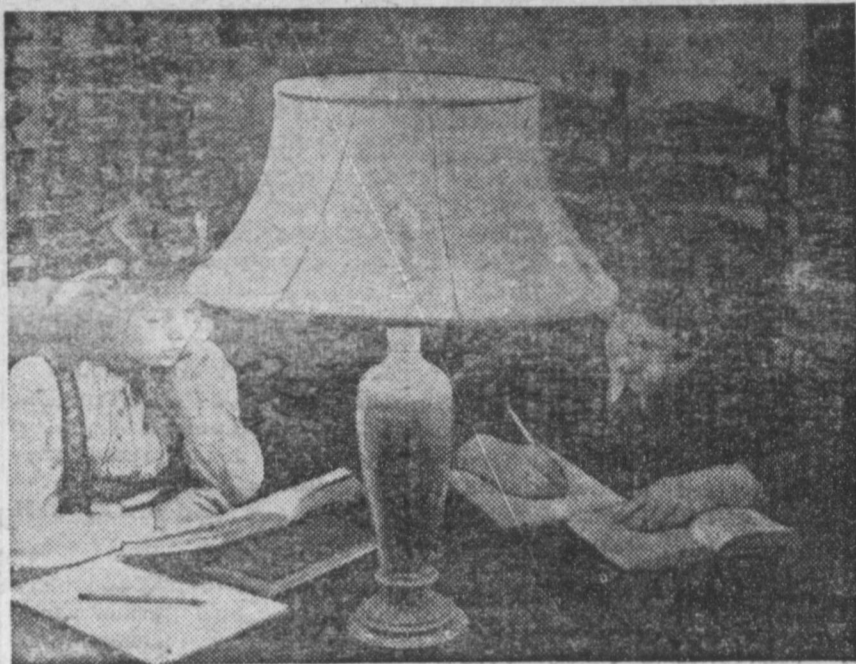
Mr. and Mrs. Erie Eller and three daughters of Elizabeth Town, Tenn., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Little over the holidays.

Mrs. G. T. Cunningham is in Rockport for the holidays. Mrs. Cunningham is a teacher in the George West School.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Hilderbrand left today for Pryor and Durant, Oklahoma to spend the holidays. They will visit Mrs. Hilderbrand's parents in Pryor and the Doctor's family in Durant. They will be out of town about a week.

Joe Allen Eutz, San Marcos Academy, is in Rockport for the holiday season.

### Your Child's School Career May Lag If Study Lamp Wiring Is Inadequate



Inadequate wiring can dim an adequate study lamp by as much as 30%

ELECTRICAL wiring in the home can exert a marked effect on the grades your child makes in school. Scientifically conducted tests, according to specialists of the National Adequate Wiring Bureau, have established that a 10 per cent voltage loss, resulting from too-small wire taxed beyond its capacity, will cause as much as a 30 per cent reduction in the brilliance of a lamp.

Poor lighting causes eye strain which in turn affects vision. And defective vision, the specialists point out, frequently has a disastrous effect on scholastic aptitude—at least 1,200,000 boys and girls in public schools fail each year because of poor vision; the educational age of students in well-lighted rooms exceeds that of students in poorly-lighted rooms by fully 10 per cent.

Thus, the specialists emphasize, it behooves parents to have both their wiring and their lighting checked—by a technician from the office of the local power supplier, or by a qualified electrical contractor.

**Where to Put the Outlets**  
It is not enough to equip the student's room with proper lamps, the house wiring must be right if the lamps are to provide adequate illumination, the wiring experts declare, pointing out that when the branch circuits in the home are too few, the resultant overloading of circuits chokes off a measure of the electricity needed at each outlet.

**Supplementary Light Vital**  
The specialists point out that adequate illumination for reading, writing and other close visual tasks requires not only local lighting on the object to be seen but supplementary general illumination throughout the room. This supplementary illumination, they say, can be achieved in a variety of ways—by using a well-designed central ceiling fixture, by providing valance or cove lighting, or from well-designed portable lamps. It is good planning to install some fixed lighting, controllable by a wall switch at each main entrance, in every room.

Parks Van Horn arrived in Rockport from Lubbock Saturday. Charles Roe Jr., and Van Horn are staying at the home of Mrs. W. S. Roe.

Jesus Domingo Solis, Rockport boy, has been graduated from the U. S. Naval Training Center, Storekeepers School, San Diego, California. Upon graduation Solis was transferred to the receiving station, Seattle, Wash. for duty in Alaska. Solis entered the Naval service in 1945 at the U. S. Recruiting Station at Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Jackson and children, Nan and Jimmy, left last Thursday for an extended visit with Mrs. Jackson's relatives in Millerburg, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Bracht and family will have as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sparks, and daughters Emma Lee, Arlett, Genevieve, and Augusta, Mrs. Connie Carew, Buddy Hoffman, and Bobby Harch from Corpus Christi and Weston Woellert from Poth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Haddock left today for San Antonio where they will spend Christmas with their daughter and family, Master Sergeant Hugo Vetter, Mrs. Vetter and two children.

### TANDA GROUP HAS YULETIDE PARTY

The Tanda group of the Camp Fire Girls enjoyed their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Joe Johnson last Friday night.

Girls in attendance were Mary Lou Taylor, Billie Marie Mullinax, Ruth Mullinax, Vanda Smith, Alice Bell, Joyce Townsend, Mary Ann Close, Rosa Faye Hamblin, Judy Albin, Carol Townsend, Dollie Lee Hart, Virginia Mundine, Dorothy Baker, Alma Ratliff, Faye Nell Cole, Mrs. Roy Hinton and Mrs. Roy Lee Hart, sponsors were present.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate, and hard candies, were served when the group gathered at 6 o'clock. The centerpiece on a lace tablecloth, consisted of colored balls and a candle in the center placed on leaves of yaupon. The mantle was decorated with yaupon, colored lights and reindeer.

The girls gathered around the Christmas tree for the gift exchange.

### V. F. W. AUXILIARY HAS XMAS PARTY

Mrs. Fred Bracht entertained members of the V.F.W. Auxiliary at her home Monday night. Games were played and prizes were won by Mrs. Jack Sparks, Mrs. Charlie Garrett, Mrs. Ruth McShan and Mrs. Fred Bracht. Mrs. Bracht entertained the group at the piano with several Christmas selections.

Refreshments of sandwiches, fruit cake, cocoa and coffee were served. The Christmas theme was featured in the house decorations.

Members present were the Mesdames Georgia Cole, Georgia Haynes, Emma Reese, Jack Sparks, Cleo Townsend, Cleo Smith, Betty McElveen, Ruth McShan, Hazel Hapner, Don McBride, Charlie Garrett, Fred Diederich, Edith Dye, Rosalie Mullinax, Fred Bracht, and Sally McShan.

Gifts were exchanged and opened and singing of Auld Lang Syne closed the party.

Mrs. N. F. Jackson and children will leave Friday for Austin where they plan to spend two weeks visiting Mrs. Jackson's mother, Mrs. J. D. Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchanan and two daughters were in Rockport from San Antonio visiting relatives last week.

Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard will have all of their children home for the holidays. H. S. Pollard has arrived from Van Nuys, California; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pollard are here from Denton, Texas, where they are students at the North Texas State Teachers College; and Harris Pollard is home from Austin College, Sherman, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Adkins and daughter, Rosca Lee, are expected to arrive Friday from Fayetteville, Arkansas where Mr. Adkins is a professor at the University of Arkansas. Mrs. Adkins is the Pollard's daughter.

Mrs. Sam Loe and son of Corpus Christi came to Rockport Tuesday to visit her mother, Mrs. James Lathrop and her sister, Mrs. Ted Little. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barry and son of Corpus Christi arrived Wednesday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Little.

George Culli, member of the State Health Department in Corpus Christi, was in Rockport this week checking on the sanitary conditions of oyster houses preparing to open the first of January.

### SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Irma Solis, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Solis, is spending the Christmas holidays in Rockport with her parents. Irma has been confined in the crippled children's hospital in Corpus Christi for the past three months.

**PLEASE TELEPHONE YOUR ITEMS EARLY**

The Pilot is anxious for news about the parties, weddings, goings and comings of Rockport people. The editor appreciates your calls with these items.

You can help make the handling of these items much easier and more satisfactory if you will telephone them as early as possible.

Wednesday is a rush day and space in the paper is beginning to run out. Will you help still further, please, by telephoning on Monday and Tuesday with events that have happened before those days? Thanks.

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Also some encouragement ought to be given for home ownership—an exemption, up to a certain amount, for expenditures to keep your home repaired and to improve it and the grounds. The man who owns his home is a great asset and when he spends his money to improve that home, he is helping the whole neighborhood, making it prettier and more pleasant place in which to live. He deserves encouragement.

Then the man who tries to provide for his old age so that he can be self-supporting should be encouraged. If he economizes and pays each year on an annuity, why shouldn't he be given credit on his income tax payment for that, up to a certain percent, of course?

The world is crying for wheat. We are asked to save a slice of bread a day. And yet there are some farmers with a large amount of wheat on hand. They will not market it until after a certain time because it would run their income tax into a higher bracket.

We have got to fix it so that a man will have an incentive to work and produce.

Those who are drawing salaries up in Washington to make the laws ought to know the answers—and do something. If they can't, they ought to be like that rabbit. Uncle Rastus was passing a cemetery at midnight and he thought he saw a ghost. He began running. He was really picking 'em up and laying 'em down. The path was narrow and he over-took a rabbit. He said, "Git outta the way, rabbit, an' let somebody run whut kin run."

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**GUESTS IN ROCKPORT**

Fishing and hunting were successful projects for the guests at Live Oak Apartments the week of December 15-21st.

Messrs. H. B. Short and T. R. Eastridge of Houston caught 220 trout in the Turnbasin in two days fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thomas of Oklahoma City snagged 120 trout including one that weighed 5½ pounds and another one six pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Locke and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Homberg both of Houston, Texas came down to hunt and both bagged their limit of ducks.

Other guests who came to relax in the sunshine and delightful weather that visited our coast were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sullivan of Milwaukee, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Grogun of Georgetown, Tex., Maj. and Mrs. W. W. Horton, Houston, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Waite and their daughter Jane W. Thompson and young son, Waite of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Winkler who are frequent visitors at the Live Oak Apartments, spent a few days this past week.

The latest arrivals at Shady Grove include: Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Lowry, Manson, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Herringshaw, McComb, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Solenberg, Wichita Falls, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Sidler, Washington Co. Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shirk, Stafford, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Estes, Minneola, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Kolb, Huntington, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. T. E. McGlathery, Dallas, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Houghton, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kelype, Independence, Missouri.

Mrs. L. W. Hight has recently returned from a visit with her new granddaughter, Marjorie Carol, in Lima, Ohio.

Mr. Bob Link of Lima, Ohio, is spending the winter with the L. W. Hights.

Mrs. G. E. Snyder is spending the holidays with relatives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Arthur Brown and children, Don and Carolyn, are now visiting in Springtown, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jerome are spending Christmas with his brother in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Jack Drenseck is visiting her daughter in Hobbs, New Mexico.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Woods will spend Christmas in Seguin, Tex., with Mr. Woods' mother, Mrs. R. R. Woods and her mother, Mrs. George Springs.

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**Burial Services Held For H. H. Watson**

Harry Houghton Watson, Corpus Christi, died at his home shortly after 3 a. m. Monday, following an illness of a few days. Mr. Watson was married to Mrs. May Mathis Green, formerly of Rockport in 1928, and she is his only survivor. They moved to their home Watsonia in Corpus Christi in 1937.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Cage-Mills Funeral Home, Corpus Christi, with the Rev. C. T. Campbell, assistant pastor of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was in the Taft Cemetery. Mrs. Carolyn Hooper and Mrs. Travis Bailey of Rockport attended the funeral.

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**PASTURAGE—**Robert Kubena, Rockport, Rt. 1, Oak Grove School. Phone 3747. p37

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**SALE OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS,** furniture, dishes and cooking utensils. Saturday, Dec. 27 after 10 a.m. at the D. R. Scrivner residence, Rockport. c36

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**Hanway Selected To Organize Local Radio Amateurs**

James P. Hanway, has been selected to set up an organization of local amateur radio operators prepared to furnish organized emergency communication in time of disaster, it was announced today by Communications Manager F. E. Handy of the American Radio Relay League, national association of radio amateurs.

Mr. Hanway's assignment, which carries the title of Emergency Coordinator, is to band together members of the amateur radio service in his community to perfect arrangements for emergency radio communication by hams in event of natural disasters or other emergencies. In addition to use of normal station equipment working from commercial power, amateur stations using self-powered radio transmitting and receiving equipment are needed. Mr. Hanway, as ARRL Emergency Coordinator, will call local meetings of amateurs, establish common operating products, and arrange regular drill periods when the hams' personal stations may be mobilized under simulated emergency conditions. His duties also include liaison planning with the local chapter of the American Red Cross and other relief agencies, as suggested in the working understanding the ARRL Emergency Corps has with the national headquarters of the American Red Cross and other agencies. Liaison will be established also with local protective services, such as fire and police departments.

In announcing the appointment, Handy pointed out that radio amateurs have traditionally had the responsibility of being in constant readiness to offer assistance in time of need with ham-acquired skill, emergency-powered transmitters and a wealth of community. "When sleet storms disrupt telephone and telegraph service, or floods isolate whole communities," the League's Communications Manager said, "it is amateur radio that comes to the rescue with operators and self-powered equipment, often as the sole agency able to transmit messages calling on the outside world for aid for the stricken community."

**SCOUTS COMBINE WEINER ROAST, CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Den 1 of the Cub Scouts enjoy a weiner roast and Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Ammons last Friday night.

Mitchel Ammons provided entertainment for the group by showing pictures with his small projector.

Cub Scouts present included J. D. Spencer, Wayne Shults, Bobby Sauers, Bill Buckley, Mitchel Ammons, Thomas Garcia and Martin Pena.

Visitors were Bobby Close, Mike Johnson, Mrs. Buckley and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Smith. The boys also enjoyed a Christmas gift exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haywood and son Bobby left today for San Antonio where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Haywood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Burns.

F. C. Simpson has been ill in his home in Corpus Christi for about a week.

Mr. J. L. Baughman, chief biologist of the marine laboratory left Wednesday for Houston where he will spend Christmas with his family, Mrs. Baughman and Port.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed of A. & M. College where Mr. Reed is assistant professor, were Rockport visitors this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Booth and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bruhl will spend Christmas day with the Bruhl's daughter, Mrs. C. R. Gibson and family in Corpus Christi.

**Baptists Present Xmas Program**

Members of the First Baptist church presented their Christmas program Tuesday night.

Prelude to the program was a piano solo, "Silent Night," Mary Ruth Dervage followed by the congregation singing "Joy to the World." The Invocation was delivered by Rev. T. H. Pollard of the Presbyterian Church.

Children from the beginners, primary and cradle roll sang "Christmas Bells" and "Luther's Cradle Hymn." Recitations were

delivered by Milanee Hall, Meciell Rivers, and Bobby York; and Mrs. Emma McDaniels' Cradle Roll. "Little Baby in a Manger" was a duet sung by Mary Helen Freeman and Raymond Mikeal. Donnie Billings delivered "The Dearest Story". Recitations by Doris Jean Huffman and Carole Sparks, followed songs rendered by a group of junior girls.

Mrs. Laura Pollard sang "O Holy Night", and Mrs. Aloise Russell gave a reading. The Christmas message was then delivered by Rev. Cunningham.

After the program Santa appeared and distributed Christmas goodies and gifts from the tree.



**Program**

**Sunday & Monday**  
December 28-29  
**Heaven Only Knows**  
Robert Cummings,  
Brian Donley

**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
December 30-31  
**Northwest Outpost**  
Nelson Eddy  
Ilona Massey  
Louis - Walcott Fight

**Thursday & Friday**  
January 1-2  
**That Hagen Girl**  
Ronald Reagan  
Shirley Temple

**Saturday**  
January 3  
**Saddle Pals**  
Gene Autry  
Lynn Roberts

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The Other Love  
Bells of San Angelo  
Brute Force  
Carnegie Hall  
The Unfaithful  
Living in a Big Way  
Land Rush



Year after year we have been wishing our friends a Merry Christmas, each year hoping to make our message a little warmer, a little more personal.

It is with some such thought as this that we now add this "Merry Christmas" to the many that have gone before, with the hope that it will find you abundantly blessed with everything that the magic wand of Christmas can bestow.

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