

Rockport and County Prepare For Three Elections

Along The Waterfront



DELATTE WRIGHT AND J. T. Wright have a 50 foot 6 inch shrimp boat with 16 foot 3 inch beam under construction in the back yard of Delatte's home.

JANUARY 12, CONSTRUCTION on a shrimp boat for Elva Mullinax got underway on a lot next door to his home.

ALVIN BRUNDRETT HAS been working on a 50 foot by 15 foot shrimp boat since last June.

HENRY BALLOU TOOK George Salter and party of Seguin fishing Wednesday.

SOME RED FISH AND DRUM are being caught in the Copano Bay area.

MRS. J. E. LIBBEY, RIO Grande City, Texas, joined the Perch Club Wednesday morning.

Construction Of Timber Wharf Proposed For Bay

Dr. W. A. Guynes, Mathis, Tex., has made application for a Department of Army permit to construct a timber T-head wharf on the west shore of Aransas Bay.

Dr. Guynes proposes to construct a wharf 4 feet wide and 400 feet long with the T-head portion 8 feet wide and 24 feet long.

Biologist Purchases Caspary Home

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baughman recently purchased the home of Mrs. Trudie Caspary.

Rockport, Fulton, Aransas County to Name Trustees

Saturday, April 3 has been scheduled as the date for election of county and local school trustees in the State of Texas.

The election for trustees for the Fulton school will be held at the Fulton school house.

County Commissioners precinct No. 1 will hold an election at the Rockport high school building for the selection of a County school trustee.

Voters in the Rockport Independent School District will name two trustees Saturday.

The seven members of the school board are chosen in alternate years.

Many Scientists Visit the Marine Lab This Week

A number of biologists and scientists who attended the National Convention of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, which was held in New Orleans March 25 to 29, visited the marine laboratory here in Rockport this week.

Dr. W. A. Gosline of the University of Michigan Ichthyology Dept. is spending several days here to inspect the laboratory and do some collecting.

Dr. Milton B. Trautman, head of the Ohio State Fisheries Laboratory at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, arrived in Rockport Wednesday to do some collecting with Mrs. Jack Hagar and work on bird migration.

Dr. Kenneth H. Doan and Dr. Wm. Kennedy, who are in charge of the fisheries investigation of Great Slave Lake and Great Bear Lake inside the Arctic Circle, came here to go over the laboratory and gain some ideas in preparation for building their own laboratory.

Miss Phyllis Thomas and Miss Gwynn Selkirk of the Canadian Fisheries laboratory at Winnipeg, Manitoba were among those visiting the marine laboratory.

SOFTBALL MEETING SCHEDULED FRIDAY

Those interested in organizing softball teams in Rockport are invited to meet at the home economics building Friday night, at 7:30, April 2.

Bracht has pointed out that the women's teams are ready to play and anxious to get started.

The question at hand is whether the men wish to play or if they desire to turn the sport over to the women.

Army Radio Specialists in the Making



Future dot-dash experts receive instructions in sending and receiving Morse code. After completing their training, these soldier-students will fill important jobs with the Army Ground Forces.

Guests Listed for Formal Opening Of Marine Lab

The Game, Fish and Oyster Commission has released the invited guest list for the formal opening of the marine laboratory here in Rockport April 14.

Those to whom invitations have been extended include Senators Rogers Kelly, John J. Bell, W. F. Cousins, Jr., and Jimmy Phillips;

C. of C. Dinner Meeting At Fulton Cafe Wed. Night

The Rockport Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly dinner meeting at the Fulton Cafe in Fulton, Wednesday night at 7:30, April 7.

Friday evening at 5 o'clock, April 2, the Chamber of Commerce directors will meet at the fire hall for a business meeting.

Wedding With Reception April 9

There will be a Pickaninny Wedding followed by a reception at the high school gymnasium Friday night, April 9, at 8:15.

Civil Service Exam For Vacancy In Rockport Postoffice

The Civil Service Commission has announced examinations for filling vacancies in the Rockport Post Office in the position of Substitute Clerk at the salary rate of \$1.04 per hour.

Shirley Harrell Wins Camp Trip

Shirley Faye Harrell of the Tandra Group of the Camp Fire Girls, was winner of the ticket selling contest sponsored by the V. F. W. Shirley Faye sold 16 tickets to the V.F.W. St. Patricks dance and won first prize, which was a check covering her expenses to the Camp Fire Girls' summer camp.

Car Blaze Extinguished At Drug Store Wed.

A car driven by Tom Smith pulled up at Johnson's Drug Store late Wednesday afternoon where it was discovered there was a fire blazing away under the hood.

Spencer-Kent Crane Staked

Spencer-Kent-Crane No. 7 was coring the 7,450 sand Wednesday morning and expected to set casing today, having made the drilling stem test Wednesday.

Cemetery Assoc. Makes Reports

The Cemetery Association met at the home of Mrs. Mabel Bryant Monday afternoon.

WEATHER REPORT

Monday—Max. temp. 69, Min. temp. 60. Tuesday—Max. temp. 70, Min. temp. 66.

Red Cross Goal Over-Subscribed In Aransas County

Aransas County raised \$907.17 to oversubscribe the goal, which was set at \$800, by more than \$100 in the annual Red Cross Drive for funds under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Silberisen.

Mrs. Silberisen is pleased with the results achieved by the committees who donated their time to lead the campaign, as she says that several of the surrounding counties have been unable to reach the goal set for them.

This is the second year that the drive has been over-subscribed. Last year the goal was set at \$652 and \$778 was turned in.

Campaign headquarters were the First National Bank. A. C. Glass is the County Chairman.

No. 8 Spencer-Kent Crane Staked

Spencer-Kent-Crane No. 8 has been staked 660 feet from Copano Bay and 660 feet from the north line of the 720 acre tract.

Family To Join Army Captain In Japan

Mrs. John L. Bridges and children, John, Jr. and Thomas Ames, have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Bridge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McBride.

U.I.L. Literary and Track Events To Be Held In Odem This Week-end

Friday and Saturday junior and senior high school students will go to Odem to participate in the University Interscholastic League literary and track events.

Anna Marie Martin and Betty Lou Garrig will enter number sense; Sam Jones and LaVerne Thompson are alternates.

Track and field events for juniors will be the 50 yard dash with Travis Smith, R. Floyd and Gene Smith taking part.

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Aransas County to Decide Harbor Bond Issue Saturday; City Election On Tuesday

Christilles and Collins Candidates for Mayor; One Man Council Ticket

Tuesday, April 6, city elections will be held at the city hall. Presiding officer will be Mrs. Alvin Brundrett and clerks are Mrs. Fred Diederich, Miss Floy Kennedy and Miss Violet Percival.

Jack Collins, owner and operator of the Del-Mar Grill, and Fred Christilles, retired resort operator, are candidates for the office of mayor.

Archie Shivers, grocer and T. D. Pickett of the Pickett Lumber Co., will seek re-election to the city council.

Except for the office of mayor, it looks like a one man ticket, as the last date for filing was March 27, and only these names will appear on the ballot.

The councilmen and mayor are chosen to fill a two year term. The monetary reward to councilmen is \$2 per meeting, the mayor receives \$100 per year.

Votes To Be Cast At Fulton and Rockport School and City Hall

Saturday, April 3, the voters of Aransas County will go to the polls to vote on the \$45,000 bond issue which is needed for the completion of the Fulton Beach harbor.

Judge B. S. Fox stated today that any person who has rendered his property, real or personal, for taxation is entitled to the right to vote at the bond election, Saturday.

The \$45,000 would extend the breakwater north about 600 feet, build a 500 foot bulkhead across the north end, build a 600 foot bulkhead to hold a fill next to the shore from Bracht's Grocery to one block north and build a shell drive around the bulkhead and out to the bathing beach.

The federal government has been authorized to dredge the turning basin to a depth of 8 feet, 200 feet wide and 1,400 feet long; and to construct a protective dike on the north end of the turning basin 1,000 feet long, connecting the north end of the existing break-water with the shore of Aransas Bay and provide an entrance channel 8 feet deep at mean low tide and 100 feet wide, extending from the south end of the turning basin to the natural 8 foot depth of water in Aransas Bay.

The government estimated \$29,800 as the cost for this work and would set aside an annual maintenance cost of \$3,000.

The local interests in return were to furnish assurances to the government that they would, among other items, construct a suitable bulkhead or breakwater around the north end of the proposed basin extending from the north end of the existing concrete sheet pile breakwater to the shore, and maintain the entire break-water and dike after completion.

According to Floyd Huffman, secretary of the Navigation Board, there was a hearing proceeding the original bond issue where it was understood that property bordering the proposed harbor, was to be turned over to the Navigation District and in turn would be leased from the District. The occupants would take long term leases and pay an annual rental fee. The Federal Government will not improve private property and require a deed from the property owners before they will go in to do the dredging, which they propose to do.

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United We Progress

There is much speculation in the Rockport-Fulton Beach area this week concerning the proposed \$45,000 harbor bond issue to be voted on Saturday. The discussions reveal those not so well versed on the subject digging deeper for facts. Many of those either strongly for or against the issue choose to ignore the ideas presented by those on the other side of the fence, but many are on the line and are viewing the issue with an unprejudiced eye.

As one Rockport business man stated this week, the passage of the bond issue would establish a basis for cooperation in the Rockport-Fulton Beach area, which is necessary if the communities are to progress, and which has been sadly lacking in the past. Fulton cannot stand alone and neither can Rockport, but together they can do much to build up their respective communities and the county as a whole. If the passing of the bond election served no other purpose than to foster a cooperative spirit between the two communities, the money would have been well spent.

There has been ample evidence in the past that had this cooperative attitude existed, both sections would have more improvements to show for their respective area today.

In a county as closely knit as Aransas County, where incomes are derived from the same major sources and the population is small, it is understandable that the only way the communities can succeed is through a plan of cooperation among the sections.

The proposed Fulton Harbor will serve the county just as a county road or similar project would do so. It will provide another thoroughfare for tankers, barges, and shrimp boats. More money will come into the county and all of the people will benefit.

If the various sections choose to stand alone, they will be following a policy of long standing which has not proved successful but which lack of foresight has forced upon the county.

If Aransas County is to expand and grow to its fullest extent the separate communities cannot stand alone. The willingness to cooperate will have to be exposed.

The issue at hand will determine whether the people are ready to start working as a unit or whether the establishment of a cooperative attitude will have to wait till some future date to be attained, while each section plugs along alone.

SWEET AND LOVELY



Sweet and lovely, both the gorgeous gal and the charming cotton frock designed by Linsak of California. The dainty cotton poplin dress features a deep square neckline outlined by the same material in a large soft bow with tight basque waist and full gathered skirt. According to National Cotton Council fashion experts, the skirt is slashed at the hemline for glimpses of white lace petticoat ruffles, and to really make talk, there's a large bow tying the hemline up in back for a more daring glimpse of the white eyelet embroidery.

Merchants Should Guard Against Forgeries

To avoid a possible loss, merchants should caution their clerks not to request or accept social security cards as identification in cashing checks. Increased activity by forgers recently prompted H. M. Cleveland, Office Manager of the Social Security Administration, in Corpus Christi, to issue this warning.

"Social Security Number cards have no value whatever for any purpose except that for which they were issued," Cleveland said. "That purpose is to assist in maintaining a record of each worker's wages as required under the Government system of retirement and family insurance. Any other use of cards involves the risk of a bad check or an uncollectable account."

Natural Color of Corporation Charters

AUSTIN, Tex. (Spl.)—New corporations chartered in Texas reached 336 in February with capitalization of \$8,213,000, The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

February charters were 222 more than a year earlier. A total of 734 charters were issued in 1948, compared to 276 for the same period in 1947.

Seventy-five merchandising corporations were formed in February; 50, real estate; 25, construction; and 22, manufacturing.

Corporations with capitalization between \$5,000 and \$100,000 totaling 173, were most numerous in February.

Womens Service Legislation Is Slated For Approval

Latest development in Women's service legislation was the approval of a bill to make the WACS, WAVES and Lady Leathernecks a permanent part of the Armed Forces by a House Armed Services sub-committee.

Biologist Discusses Feeding Habits And Spawning Season of Redfish

by J. L. BAUGHMAN

Redfish, as far as we know, differ considerably in their spawning habits from the trout. As an actual matter of fact, so far as I know, no scientist has ever caught them in the act.

Nevertheless, there is a great deal of indirect evidence bearing on the subject, probably enough to allow us to state with a great deal of certainty that they spawn in the gulf instead of in the bays and that the spawning time lies, roughly, in the months of September, October and November. This holds true along most of our gulf coast and in Florida. In Chesapeake Bay, however, these fish spawn a little earlier.

During the first two years of their life, redfish grow very rapidly. In 9 months redfish will average 8 1/2 inches long. In a year's time they reach a length of a little over 13 inches and by the end of a year and a half they average 17 inches, although occasional individuals may reach 20 inches. By the end of the third year they have reached a length of around 24 inches; by the end of the fourth, 28 inches; and a 5 year old redfish will run close to 34 inches.

Redfish move with the seasons. The young, as soon as they have hatched in outside waters, enter the bays and lagoons and distribute themselves rapidly, seeking the more grassy and quiet coves and lagoons during the early part of their lives and are rarely found on sandy bottom or in rough water. This preference for shallow tidal flats sometimes kills a great many of them when a quick drop in the tide cuts them off and strands them.

With the coming of their first winter young reds, ranging from 2 to 6 inches, work out into the deeper bays from the more shallow coves and flats and during the spring following many wander out into the gulf.

Return to Bays in Spring
 After the first year most of the redfish leave for the deeper bays or gulf during cold weather and, while this movement is gradual and not particularly noticeable, the early spring return to the bays is quite apparent.

After a redfish gets to be about 27 or 28 inches long he tends to school with others of his kind and remains, for the most part, along the sandy shores of the gulf. In former times these schools frequented the bays and the bayous during the summer, going to the gulf only with the coming cold weather. However, within recent times the wide spread use of power boats, the increase in water traffic and the large number of sportsmen have, apparently, all combined to keep schools of big reds on the outside, as they are

extremely wary and very easily disturbed.

Redfish, especially the larger sizes, produce an enormous number of eggs, a 36 inch female containing about 3,383,000. Apparently they do not mature and begin to spawn until they are around 30 inches long.

Food is, apparently, anything that they can catch and small reds appear to lean heavily on the shrimp crop, eating more Brazilian shrimp (or red tails) than they do the ordinary commercial shrimp. Pearson, who did a great deal of work on these fish, says that out of 147 fish less than 9 inches in length 52% had eaten shrimp, 20% had eaten fish, 6% crabs, 4% molluscs, 18% a mixed diet. Out of 42 fish between 9 and 16 inches long 83% had eaten shrimp, 2% fish and 10% crabs. Out of 43 fish from 16 to 25 inches long 79% had eaten shrimp, 2% crabs and 19% mixed crabs and fish. Four fishes above 25 inches had eaten 25% fish, 50% crabs and 25% mixed crabs and fish. Gunter found algae in 8 stomachs and grass in 6. Forty-nine stomachs contained fish and 177 crustacean such as shrimp. Out of 1948 fish 95 had eaten shrimp, 87 had eaten blue crabs, 20 had eaten oyster and mud crabs and 31 had eaten grass shrimp. Forty of these fish had eaten only shrimp and 40 had eaten only crabs. The other 114 had taken a mixed diet.

The fish eaten were mullet, gobies, silversides, eels, chubs, pipe fish, catfish and others, and one had a large marsh rat in its stomach while others had squid, annelid worms and small shellfish.

It all boils down to the fact that when he is hungry, a big red is going to eat almost anything that comes along, and, if there is lots of it, he is going to eat that and nothing else. For instance, last summer over at Cedar Bayou, reds ate little else than ghost crabs. As these seldom venture very far into the surf, the fish must have been feeding with their backs out of the water. Then all at once they quit eating ghost crabs, and started in on young flounder and very red that was caught had from 1 to 5 of these in its stomach. Nevertheless, shrimp and blue crabs probably furnish the main part of their diet.

It may be of interest here to give the relationship between the length and weight of redfish. A 12 inch red will average a little less than a pound; a 16 inch one, a little less than 2 pounds; a 20 inch one, about 3 pounds; a 24 inch one, between 5 and 6 pounds; a 27 inch one, between 8 and 10 pounds; a 30 inch one, about 11 or 12 pounds; and a 32 inch one may go as high as 15 pounds.

Spring Clean-Up Week April 4-10

Citizens of Rockport and Aransas County are urged to think about and plan to actively participate in Spring Clean-Up Week by Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, and Ed Barnard, city fire marshal.

April 4-10 inclusive, has been set aside by Governor Jester as Spring Clean-Up Week in Texas. Hall said the Governor's proclamation described fire prevention as vitally important to the success of the nation's peace and economic efforts.

"We can ill afford devastation by fire of lives and property if this time of needed increased production to solve shortages of materials, to feed a starving world, to secure a sound economy and to conquer the housing shortage," Commissioner Hall stated.

1947 fire losses were the highest in the history of the State, he said. Nearly 550 persons died from fires and almost 21 million dollars was destroyed in property.

"Although no persons lost their

lives as a result of fires here last year, Rockport and Aransas County suffered a large property fire loss," Fire Marshal Barnard stated.

"Our only hope to reduce the deplorable loss of irreplaceable life and property and to cut down the resultant high living costs, is for each man, woman and child in this city to accept fire prevention as an individual responsibility," he said.

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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY INSTALLS OFFICERS

Twenty-five members of the Women's Auxiliary Presbytery met at the Presbyterian Manse on Thursday afternoon for the final meeting of this year and for the incoming year. Rev. T. H. Pollard installed the officers.

A social hour completed the afternoon with Mrs. Herbert Mills and Mrs. Harry Mills in charge.

Colorful flowers with crepe paper, baskets filled with colored eggs on each side and surrounded by green grass, in which nestled Easter figures served as the table center-piece. Cake squares, centered with nests of egg shaped gum drops, coffee, sandwiches, candy eggs and salted nuts were served by Mrs. Hugh Morrison and Mrs. Fred Brundrett, retiring circle chairmen. Members of the two circles were named for the coming year with Mrs. Herbert Mills and Mrs. Floyd Smith as charimen.

Officers installed were Mrs. Harry Mills, vice-president, Mrs. Oswald Williams, treasurer, Mrs. Carl Osborn, secretary, Mrs. Herbert Mills, secretary of assemblies home missions, Mrs. Ted Little, secretary of religious education, Mrs. Fred Cloberdants, secretary of Christian social service, Mrs. Somer Smith, secretary of social activities to be assisted by Mrs. Rufus Casterline. Pastor's aides are Mrs. Hugh Morrison and Mrs. Lillie Fahr; Orphans helpers, Mrs. Chas. F. Cron and Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson; secretary of Synods and Presbyteries' home missions, Mrs. Lloyd Smith.

PRESBYTERY WOMEN GO TO SAN BENITA

Representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church will go to San Benita, March 31, April 1 and 2 to attend a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary Presbytery of Western Texas.

Those who will attend are Mrs. N. F. Jackson, president of the local auxiliary, Mrs. T. H. Pollard, a member of the Executive Board, Mrs. W. H. Morrison and Mrs. Carl Osborn.

FULTON CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

The regular first Sunday Singing Convention will meet at the Fulton Church, Sunday, April 4, at 4:30 p.m. Every body is welcome.



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YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY BARBECUE

A weiner barbecue followed by a dance was held at Goose Island State Park by a group of young people Sunday evening.

Those present for the affair were Joe Johnson, Jr., Wilma Rouquette, John Robert Barber, Bonnie Cron, Bobbie Joe Hewitt, Jo Ann Collins, Claude Roberts, David Herring, Bonnie Blaylock, Roy Lassiter, Freddie White, Daisy Prophet, Jimmie Herring, Jean Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Blackwell, Bert Haney, Colleen Smith, Robert Franklin, Jean Faye Johnson, Norman McLeod, Russell Rowe, Lynn Wendell, Elmer McLester, Lucille Haynes, John Hamblin of Weatherford, Texas; Jane McLoughlin and Suma Larson of Houston; J. W. Jackson and Coty Thomas of Taft and Sue Dill and Peggy Keiberger of Aransas Pass.

FAMILY ENJOYS EASTER EGG HUNT

Children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jackson gathered at their home Sunday afternoon for their annual Easter Egg hunt.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davis of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Evans Corbin and three children from Ingleside, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Abrahams of Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bart Jackson and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Jackson and two children of Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis also visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davis over the week-end.

WE CONGRATULATE

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Dawson announce the birth of a son born at Walter Noble Hospital, March 26. The boy weighed six pounds and was named Thomas Willard for both of his grandfathers.

Natives of North Carolina are called Tarheels.

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SAT. Mid-Nite April 3

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Two Blondes and A Redhead

SUN. - MON. April 4-5

Tyrone Power and Jean Peters, in

Captain from Castile

TUE. - WED. April 6-7

Franchot Tone and Janet Blair, in

I Love Trouble

P. T. A. MEMBERS ATTEND DIST. MEET

Mrs. Roy Lee Hart, Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson and Mrs. S. F. Jackson attended the Parent-Teacher Association Tenth District Conference in Corpus Christi Wednesday at the First Methodist church.

Mrs. Ann Smith, District President was in charge of the meeting. A four part program on school education, health, world understanding and parents and family life education was given.

Special music was provided by the Corpus Christi High School Girls' Choir

The ladies attended the sectional local units reports where Mrs. Hart gave a report for the Rockport P.T.A. on the 1947-48 project and work.

A tea was held at the Princess Louise Hotel in honor of the delegates and visitors.

WED. CLUB MEETS AT BRACHT HOME

The Wednesday Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. L. M. Bracht Wednesday afternoon with Miss Genevieve Bracht as hostess.

High score was awarded to Mrs. Fred Booth. Second high was won by Mrs. L. E. Sanders.

Four tables of bridge were in progress, with 14 members and two guests, Mrs. Hopkins and Mrs. Fowler, present. Those playing were Mrs. Fred Booth, Mrs. L. E. Sanders, Mrs. Fred Bracht, Mrs. A. L. Bruhl, Mrs. Fred Christilles, Mrs. A. R. Curry, Mrs. Joe Collins, Mrs. J. P. Hanway, Mrs. Fred B. Hunt, Mrs. J. H. Mills, Mrs. Chas. Picton, Mrs. Jas. Sorenson, Mrs. C. C. Fowler, Mrs. Chas. Hopkins, Miss Mabel Bracht and Mrs. L. M. Bracht.

Refreshments of chicken salad, cookies, coffee and mints were served.

Mrs. Mollie McClary, of Rockport, was dismissed from an Aransas Pass hospital Saturday, after having been hospitalized for about six weeks.

WHO SAID "THREE'S A CROWD"?



Three's not a crowd when the threesome is this beautiful trio of suntan-seekers clad in swim suits of striped chambray. The girls are soaking in their Vitamin D supply in style—their suits are of Hope Skillman's cotton chambray designed by Cole of California in slightly different fashions: left, a one-piece swimsuit with open midriff and bow-tie top; center, a one-piece suit with closed midriff and skirted front; right, an exciting new backless-strapless two-piece style.

Governor-Elect Guest Speaker At Rotary Club

Bill Muttera of Corpus Christi, governor elect for District 125, spoke at the regular weekly meeting of the Rockport Rotary Club, Wednesday noon.

E. J. Albin, president of the Rotary Club, and Roy Hinton, member of the board of directors, attended the annual Rotary District Conference in Houston, March 28-30.

963 delegates registered for the Conference in the Rice Hotel in Houston Sunday. The A Cappella Choir from the Sam Houston State Teachers College presented an informal program for the conferees Sunday night.

Changes were made in the Rotary districts in Texas, creating one new district which will be District 131. A section of District 130 including Rockport was transferred to District 125.

Nomination of a District Governor for 1948-49 highlighted the speeches Monday morning and afternoon, and a banquet and governor's ball was held Monday night.

The Rotary conference closed Tuesday morning with a breakfast for the district governor, governor-nominee and incoming club presidents and secretaries.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank Miss Katie Lee and friends for the flowers, books and beautiful cards sent me while in the hospital.

ANNA LEE SMALL

Crossword Answer

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Funeral Services For Mrs. Priour In Skidmore

Mrs. Oscar Smith and Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Ammons attended the funeral of Mrs. Smith's mother, and Mrs. Ammons' grandmother, Mrs. Martha L. Priour, at Skidmore, Texas, last Friday.

Mrs. Priour, 74 years of age, died Thursday in a Beeville hospital, following an illness of several months. Funeral services were held at Immaculate Conception Church in Skidmore and burial was in the Skidmore cemetery.

Survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Ella Petrus of Odem, Mrs. Henry Factor of Skidmore, Mrs. Anna Belle Thiele of Leming, Texas, Mrs. H. T. McDonald of Skidmore, and Mrs. Oscar Smith of Rockport; two sons, Frank and Richard of Skidmore, three sisters, Mrs. Annie Williams of Victoria, Mrs. Augusta Barber of Tivoli and Mrs. Ruby Barrow of Goose Creek; and a brother, Henry Barber of Robstown.

T. H. Smith of Houston visited his mother, Mrs. H. G. Smith, during the past week. Mrs. Smith has been ill here at her home.

College Students Home For Easter

Many students were home from the various college in Texas for the Easter holidays.

They were George Lee Brundrett, Jr., Bobby Joe Hewitt, David Herring, Delo Caspary and Bonnie Blaylock, from the University of Texas; Bert Haney and Lucille Haynes from Southwestern; Joe Johnson, Jr., from A. & M. College; Claude Roberts, Jim Herring, Roy Lassiter, Costa Solis and Myrtle Lee Bell from A&I College; Russell Rowe and Jerry Wendell from Trinity University; and Elizabeth Freeman and Mary Lou McLester from the University of Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crook of Houston visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Townsend during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cook of Laredo spent the Easter holidays with Mrs. Cook's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Roberts.



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Nearly Four Million Tourists Left \$178 Million In Texas Last Year

Texas had 3,859,157 out-of-state visitors during 1947 who traveled by automobile. They spent \$178,562,365 and a majority of these visitors were favorably impressed and plan a return visit, according to statistics compiled from data collected by the Information Bureau of the Texas Highway Department, and verified by the Bureau of Business Research at the University of Texas.

The average tourist party spent a total of \$128.63 while visiting Texas. They spent \$8.73 per person per day, or the cost for the entire party per day was \$24.27 (including car expenses). The cash crop netted from our out-of-state tourists was dispersed widely through out trade and business channels, estimated as follows: One-third or \$59,529,789 was spent for food; one-fourth or \$44,640,591 was spent for lodging; one-sixth or \$29,760,394 went for car expenses; and one-fourth or \$44,640,591 was left in the state for miscellaneous items.

The 3,859,157 visitors who came to Texas in 1947, used 1,388,186 automobiles. These cars entered the State on the average of 3,803 daily, carrying 2.78 visitors per vehicle. They traveled an average of 662 miles per vehicle in the State and stayed 5.3 days. Our visitors traveled a total of 918,979,132 miles on Texas roads and used 61,265,275 gallons of petro-

leum. Of these tourists, 48 per cent had visited Texas before, but 52 per cent were visiting Texas for the first time. 58 percent came for vacation purposes, 25 percent for personal visits, and 17 percent came for business purposes.

A survey revealed that our visitors were most impressed with the highways and the traffic services, courtesy of Texans, scenery, progress of businesses, size, cities, climate, food, homes, ranches and farms in the order listed. A great number of these tourists stated that they intended to return in the future because they liked the hospitality, congeniality and friendliness of Texans.

This cash crop of \$178,562,365 constituted one of our largest sources of income in 1947. This money supported businesses, which in turn, employed thousands of people in all trades. The communities in which this money was spent benefited directly from it, since the majority of businesses catering to tourists are locally owned. The Highway Department received \$1,225,305 in taxes from the 61,265,275 gallons of petroleum used by our visitors. Texas Public Schools received a share of this money from revenue on petroleum used, which amounted to \$612,652 from the same source. From the standpoint of the individual citizen, taxpayer, and business, the tourist industry was very profitable in 1947.

Texas has three outstanding factors which contribute largely to our tourist industry: her size, her people, and Mexico. Because of her size, a tourist's itinerary of travel is greater in Texas than in most states. Because of her people, Texas has gained excellent publicity which brings many tourists, and the friendliness of Texans induces return visits. Because of Mexico, tourists visiting that country will spend a portion of their vacations in the State, since Texas is the gateway to Mexico.



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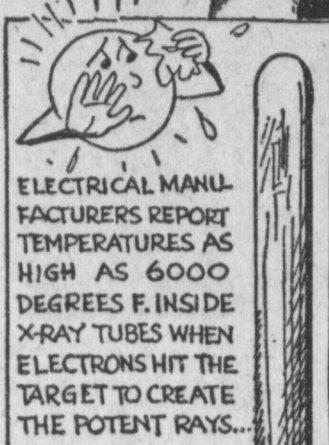
Margarine Is Yellow

The natural color of margarine is yellow, not white. But because of the phenomenally high taxes levied against yellow margarine, and because twenty-three states prohibit its sale altogether, the soybean oil, which gives margarine its naturally yellow color, has to be bleached before it can be used. Yellow margarine is not colored; white margarine is white as the result of bleaching. On the other hand, the natural color of butter several months of the year is white, and during those months the product is artificially colored yellow. Not only that, butter is the only food using artificial coloring which does not indicate it on the wrapper.

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Rules of Etiquette For the Highway

There are Emily Post rules of etiquette for the highway, just as there are for the drawing-room, according to W. J. Elliott, Chief of the Texas Highway Patrol.

"And traffic rules not only make for gracious living, they make for living — period!" he said. "No driver is a good driver unless he knows and obeys the traffic laws, to insure his own safety as well as the safety of other drivers and pedestrians."

Chief Elliott pointed out that nearly half of all accidents in business and residential areas involve two vehicles at an intersection, and half of these are the result of two vehicles entering at right angles intent on going straight through.

He said that statistics of the National Safety Council show 15 per cent of all drivers in fatal city accidents failed to yield the right-of-way, the most frequent violation.

The Texas Highway Patrol cooperated in a nationwide "Know and Obey Traffic Laws" program during February, and Captain E. K. Browning of the Corpus Christi district listed the following facts to remember about right-of-way at intersections:

1. A car already in the intersection has the right-of-way over cars approaching. You must give way to any car already there as you come up to the intersection.
2. If two cars arrive at an inter-

section at about the same time, the one on the right has the right-of-way, and the other driver must give way to him.

3. Slow down before you reach the intersection in order to be ready for a car on the cross street. Don't wait to slow down after you reach the corner—it may be too late.

4. Despite the rule, don't insist on your right-of-way at the risk of an accident. Humility is a small price to pay for safety.

5. If there are stop signs at the intersection, or if one vehicle is turning left, special rules are applicable.

Building Permits

AUSTIN, Tex.—(Spl.)—Texas building permits fell 28 per cent from January to February, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

The Bureau's seasonally-adjusted index was over six times as high as the prewar (1935-39) average, reflecting gains in the physical volume of construction and rising material and labor costs. As compared with February 1947, building permits were up 77 per cent.

Marshall, Cleburne, Lockhart, Borger, Snyder, and Temple turned in high January-to-February gains. For the same period, building permits declined in Graham, Gladewater, Waco, Tyler, Longview, Fort Worth and Port Arthur.

Houston continued to lead the State in building permits with \$10,819,125; Dallas was second with \$6,119,065, and Corpus Christi, San Antonio and Fort Worth followed in that order.

Majorie Hunt of Corpus Christi visited with Vaunda Smith Monday. Miss Hunt is formerly of Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Trotter spent Easter in the Valley. Mrs. Trotter is a teacher at the Rockport high school.

Warranty Deeds Filed Last Month

Many warranty deeds have been filed at the courthouse during the past three weeks. They are: lot 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 in block 15, of the Denver Heights Division from W. B. Friend to W. B. Gray. Lot 11, 12, 13, 14, in block 44, of the Smith & Wood Division, from S. F. Jackson to A. B. Evens; Lot 2, block 17 Doughty & Mathis Division, from R. R. Roberts to Lillian Skinner. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, in block 153, Doughty & Mathis Division, from Martha Slater et al to E. B. Billings et ux.

The South 28 feet of lot 12 and all of lots 13, 14, 15, and 16 block 62, Smith & Wood Division, from Travis Johnson et ux to W. E. Heblson. Lot 5, block 45, Doughty & Mathis Addition, from M. M. King, a femme sole, to A. Gene Dabney. A portion of outlet 6 in the Fulton townsite from Edith Gertrude Roberts to Earl M. Ward. A portion of outlet 6 in Fulton townsite from E. R. Blaylock to Bonner Smith. Lot 25, block 12, Denver Heights Division, from J. F. Fleming to Sam Trant.

Plot No. 12 of Hunter's subdivision in Smith & Wood Division from Hugh P. Phagan et ux to Andrew B. Brock et ux. Lot 17, block 3, Stewart's subdivision of Doughty & Mathis Division from Charles Cleveland to C. C. Curtis, Jr. The West one-third of block 75, Fulton, from S. P. Stockton, Jr. et al to R. J. Beaman.

Bernard Fox returned to Mexico Friday after visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Fox. Judge Fox has been confined at his home because of illness. Bernard is with the Foot and Mouth Disease Commission in the San Louis Potosi section of Mexico.

Mrs. Floyd Brown, of Fulton, underwent a major operation at an Aransas Pass hospital Sunday morning.

Ottie Mundine, who is attending Modern Barber College in Houston, spent the Easter week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mundine. Mrs. J. H. Ayers of La Porte, Texas, was also a week-end guest of the Mundine brothers and their families. Sunday night Glenn Mundine and Dixie Mundine took Mrs. Ayers and Ottie to La Porte.

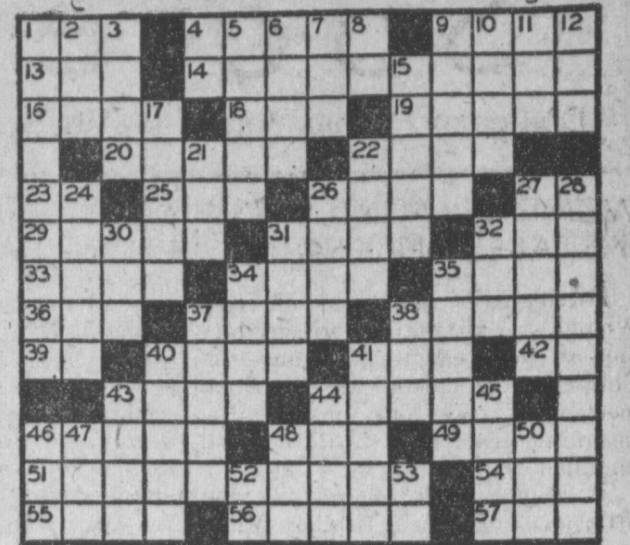
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Malchar's Easter guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hunt from Goose Creek, John Malchar, Corpus Christi, and Billy Hunt, who is attending school at San Antonio Tech.

Willie Schuster, Jr., was home from Texas Tech. over the week-end to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Schuster and his sister, Mrs. D. L. Touchstone.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Mowers over the Easter holidays were Mrs. Albert Zigler, Mrs. Mowers mother, and Mrs. L. A. Giles and three children, Mrs. Mowers sister and children of Tyler, Texas.

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Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1. Armed conflict
 4. Field of action
 - Such and no more
 13. Artificial language
 14. Propounded the theory of atomic structure of matter, 400 B.C.
 16. Induced current
 18. Bolt fastener
 19. Groups of electrons, protons, etc.
 20. Has chairs for
 22. Not allowing current to flow, as a switch
 23. Sound of hesitation
 25. Simpleton
 26. Equitable
 27. Belonging to
 28. Assisted Peter Barlow develop an "electromagnetic wheel" in 1823
 31. Thick part of coated milk
 32. Payable
 33. Entrance of a mine
 34. Small bryophytic plant
 35. Metal faculties
 36. Pinch
 37. Bottom of an electric iron
 38. Wires of an electric distributing system
 39. Never used by "eye-men"
 40. Utant illumination
 41. Equality of value
 42. Concerning absolute independence
 44. Narrow
 45. Gradually
 46. Fossil resin, strongly electric when rubbed
 48. Sea eagle
 49. Material used on slippery trolley tracks, etc.
 51. Invented the word "telephone" in 1821

7. Negative adverb
8. Popular form of electricity
9. Cut on a slant
10. Famous English school
11. Beverage popular in the West Indies
12. S-shaped
13. Speedy
17. Leavening agent
21. Timber tree
22. Rowing implements
24. Popular means of instruction and entertainment
25. Easily melted link in an electric circuit
27. Exterior
28. Invented the chemical detector for wireless, in 1902
30. Tear
31. Laid the first submarine cable in New York harbor, 1843
32. Loud noise
34. Humor
35. Electrical conductors
37. Not tall
38. One trip around a closed course
40. Entreaties
41. Kind of velvet
42. In bed
44. System of weights used by goldsmiths, etc.
45. Float of logs
46. Beard of grain
47. Unit of electric conductance
48. Greek letter
50. Horn
52. Be silent
53. Plural ending

Find answers to puzzle on Page 3.

Contract Construction Employment

AUSTIN, Tex.—(Spl.)—Contract construction employment in Texas fell 6 per cent from January to February, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

An estimated 95,173 workers were employed in Texas contract construction establishments in February, or 31 per cent more than a year earlier.

Jimmy Cruiser, a student at Texas Tech., was in Rockport over the week-end, visiting his mother, Mrs. Cruiser.

Army Buys Supplies From Blind Workers

The Army purchased \$1,594,128 worth of items produced by blind workers during 1947, through the National Industries for the Blind, a non-profit agency.

Included were 817,696 corn brooms; 61,400 spring lever mop handles; 698,840 cotton mops; 12,550 cocoa mats; 709,000 pillow cases; 47,232 sterile gloves; 210,448 sterile wrappers; 15,600 surgical drapes.

Mrs. G. T. Cunningham was at her home in Rockport from George West, for the Easter holidays.

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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.

Alva Freeman Receives Discharge From Army

Alva Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Freeman, arrived in Rockport Friday, after receiving his discharge from the army at Camp Stoneman, California.

Freeman served 18 months in the army during which time he was stationed 15 months in Korea with the Counter-Intelligence Corps.

He plans to remain in Rockport through the summer and enter A. & M. College in the fall.

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Employees in the available positions will have a normal work week of 40 hours; 8 hours each day, Monday through Friday. Work in excess of 40 hours in any one week will be paid for at overtime rates. Double time is paid for required holiday work. Employees in these positions earn 26 days of vacation leave per year and 15 days sick leave. Further information regarding these positions may be obtained from Placement Section, Personnel Branch, Galveston District, Corps of Engineers, P. O. Box 1229, Galveston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchanan and daughters, Carolyn and Jean, of San Antonio were visiting relatives and friends in Rockport early this week. Mr. Buchanan is attending Trinity University.

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CAS EDWARDS LIVES IN ALPINE. He knows the stories about the peaks and caves of that region. He used to play baseball and he's the business manager of the semi-pro club which has a beautiful park, with a fence of native rock. It would be pretty hard to watch one of their games through a knot hole, wouldn't it?

Years ago, Edwards devised a helicopter. Also he experimented with a device to heat a house with the rays of the sun. And he writes verse—in fact, he published a book of good Western rhymes a couple of years back, published the book himself—1,600 copies and sold 'em all. And that's mighty good.

In fact, it's like the little boy who was asked, "How much is 10 times 9?" and he said, "Ninety," and the teacher declared, "That's good." The boy said, "Good, h---; it's perfect!"

I ONCE MET A MAN WHO was rated as worth \$7,000,000. When we met again, he shook hands and smiled. "Afterward, a mutual acquaintance said, "He likes you; that was mighty cordial for him."

Reckon a fellow who has \$7,000,000 has to be on his guard all the time to keep somebody from "getting to him" for a chunk of cash. A millionaire can never be sure that he is liked for himself and not for his money. That must

Postal Receipts

AUSTIN, Tex. —(Spl.)—Texas postal receipts declined 8 per cent from January to February, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported.

However, receipts were 12 per cent above February 1947.

February postal receipts from 59 Texas cities totaled \$2,866,677, as the Bureau's seasonally-adjusted index slipped 2 per cent to 231. (Base: 1935-39—100.)

Texarkana postal receipts fell 34 per cent from January; Big Spring, 32 per cent; Vernon, 28 per cent; Gladewater, 25 per cent; Lockhart, 25 per cent; and Plainview, 24 per cent.

Counter to the seasonal decline, January to February gains were turned in by Longview, 25 per cent; Victoria, 19 per cent; Lamesa, 9 per cent; Orange, 7 per cent; and Gainesville, 7 per cent.

Compared with February 1947, changes in postal receipts varied from a 19 per cent decrease in Palestine to a 64 per cent rise in Del Rio.

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The Modern Market was the headquarters for the Easter Egg sale which was under the direction of Mrs. Chas. Roe, Mrs. Roy Lee Hart and Mrs. Roy Hinton.

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BACON, pound 53c
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TOMATOES, 3 No. 1 cans 25c
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Political Announcements

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The Pilot is authorized to announce the following candidates for the respective offices named subject to the Democratic primaries:

- For State Senator
18th Senatorial District:
JOHN J. BELL (re-election)
- For State Representative,
70th District:
HARVEY SHELL, (Re-election)
- For County Judge:
B. S. FOX, (Re-election)
- For County Attorney:
WELDON CABANISS
- FOR: District and County Clerk:
JAS. C. HERRING (re-election)
- For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and
Collector:
A. R. CURRY, (Re-election)
ROY HINTON
- For County Treasurer:
J. ED MOORE, (Re-election)
- For County Commissioner,
Precinct No. 1:
W. B. ALLEN (Re-election)
G. A. SMITH
- For County Commissioner,
Precinct No. 2:
H. C. MULLINAX
E. B. (BERT) CRAWFORD
J. M. (JACK) SPARKS, JR.
(Re-election)
FRED M. HUNT
- For County Commissioner,
Precinct No. 3:
J. H. MILLS, (Re-election)
- For County Commissioner
Precinct No. 4:
ARTHUR L. DAVIS,
(Re-election)
- For Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1:
R. R. ROBERTS
JOE SMITH, (Re-election)
- For Constable, Precinct No. 1:
WALTER PAUGH

Tips About Sheets

College Station.—(Spl.)—During the war it was right next to impossible for the housewife to get sheets. It has been nearly three years since the war ended, and sheets are becoming easier to get as time goes by. So Mrs. Bernice Claytor, extension home management specialist of Texas A. & M. College, has a number of tips about buying and taking care of sheets.

The thread count of a sheet is important to the housewife in knowing the difference between a good sheet and a poor one. By holding the sheet up to the light and stretching it tightly between the hands, it is easy to tell how fine or coarse the weave is by seeing how much light shines through. Signs of a poor quality sheet are loose weave, small knots in the thread, unevenness of weave, puckers and missing warp threads. If the sheet is hemmed with long coarse stitches, the homemaker can depend on it lacking good wearing qualities.

Small, close stitches are the high points of a good sheet. By rubbing the sheet together, one can learn whether starch has been added to give it a smooth, soft finish. If fine powder comes off on the fingers, beware. The sheet was

Growing the Unusual

College Station.—(Spl.)—Try growing the unusual vegetables in your garden this spring to dramatize the garden, says J. F. Rosborough, extension horticulturist of Texas A. & M. College. The usual garden has carrots, beans, tomatoes, beets, cabbage, spuds and other well-known foods that the children fuss about eating.

Chives, the first of these unusual vegetables, is a small onion-like plant that grows in dense clumps any place onion will grow; chives are very good for flavoring soups and stews. Just plant a part of a raw chive on one side of the garden out of the way, and a small amount is all that is necessary for the whole family. Space the plants one-half to one inch apart in rows 16 to 18 inches apart. Then every 4 or 5 years—that's years—take up the old clumps and re-set them so they won't get too thick and matted. Chives grow best in areas of considerable spring rainfall.

Corn salad, also called lamb's lettuce, is an annual that may be mixed with lettuce or water cress as a mixed salad. It is sown in the early spring in 16 to 18 inch rows about a foot apart in the row, and is handled about the same as lettuce or mustard in fertilization and cultivation. The flavor of corn salad is very mild, and may be improved some by mixing with other salad plants.

Endive is another crop similar to lettuce, but is more tolerant to the summer heat. It should be planted about the same time as lettuce, and thinned to 8 or 10 inches in the row. The other instructions are the same as the plants already named.

Garlic is another of those onion plants, and the main thing to remember about garlic is that a little goes a long way. They are planted and handled like onions and chives. When the tops break and fall over, the bulbs are pulled, dried, and braided into strings by their tops or tied in bunches and stored in a cool, dry place. Be sure they don't freeze.

These are a few of the more unusual vegetables that will give a garden the "new look" in foods, says Rosborough, and add zest to the family meals.

W. W. Cecil, grade school principal of the Rockport school, attended an A&M College meeting in Corpus Christi Monday night. Coach Harry Steidler addressed the group, where he gave a report concerning football prospects for the coming season based on the spring training.

washed in starch.

The selvage, or true edge of the sheet, should be closely woven, almost like a tape, and free from wrinkles at the edge. This is important to the strength of a sheet. All sheets will shrink in the first several washings, but since the average length is 108 inches, there is an ample 20 inch turnback.

Here are a few suggestions for the home launderer: do not wash colored sheets with white ones, even though they may be fast-color. That's expecting a little too much. Play safe by hanging the colored sheets in the shade, and don't use boiling water when washing them. Use a soap that you can trust, one that is not too strong. And last, but very important, says Mrs. Claytor, too much water softener yellows white fabrics.

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Women Play Men Over 40 Sunday

The women's softball team, last year known as the Rockport Redies, will play a team made up of men over 40 at the ball diamond Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Admission is 10 and 25 cents. The ladies' team is sponsored by the Liquefied Gas Co. this year.

Raymond Roberts is in charge of the mens' team. Captain of the womens' team is Mary Wright. Myrl Wright is co-captain. Other players are Opal Warden, Louise Wright, Elzona Ethridge, Bessie Atwood, Alice Bell, Laverne Wright, Mary Davis, Jane Miller, Mary Louise Lassiter, Mrs. Hall, and Catherine Townsend.

Plain bread, muffins, cakes or cookies become something "extra special" with dried fruits mixed into the batter or dough.



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Control Disease By Eliminating Filth

"A good old fashioned spring house cleaning in every city and community in Texas would do a great deal toward furthering good health in this state," Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said today, in urging all communities and cities in the state to cooperate in Texas Clean-Up Week April 4-11.

A general clean-up program of state-wide proportions with the objective of bettering health conditions for our citizenship should include surface cleaning, drainage, the graveling of streets and alleys, and the cleaning of all parks and playgrounds and the clearing off of weeds and rubbish from vacant lots.

"The destruction of mosquito breeding places and rat harborage, the proper disposal of garbage and trash and the general cleaning up of all premises will be, said Dr. Cox, of inestimable value in helping to keep down summer health hazards such as dysentery, typhoid and poliomyelitis. Good community housekeeping and ordinary sanitary measures require the prompt removal of all waste matter in and around yards and homes in order to abate the danger of such diseases, and insure good health protection throughout the State."

Dr. Cox stressed the fact that many dangerous diseases are filth-borne, and the only possible way to control them is to eliminate the unsanitary conditions responsible for their spread.

U.I.L. Contests

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Ballou as alternate. The girls doubles teams will be made up of Mary Ruth Dervage and Patti Ballou.

The boys singles representative entering the junior tennis division will be John Cron with alternate, Gene Smith. Gene Smith and Travis Smith will play in the boys' doubles. Nancy Ingersoll will play the girls' singles.

April 5, Rockport will send five students to Odem to enter the One Act Play division. The play to be presented is "Sugar and Spice," a one act comedy. The cast includes Mildred Wilkinson, Lois Townsend, Ruby Wilkinson, Dudley Prophet and Sam James.



Program

SUN. & MON.
April 4-5

Dark Passage
Humphrey Bogart
Lauren Bacall

TUES. & WED.
April 6-7
Riff Raff
Pat O'Brien,
Anne Jeffreys

THURS. & FRI.
April 8-9

Thunder in the Valley
Peggy Ann Garner,
Lon McCallister

SATURDAY
April 10
Swing the Western Way
Jack Leonard

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Panhandle
A Likely Story
Fun and Fancy Free
Ghost Town Renegades
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