

Along The Waterfront



Hunters continued to bring in the deer during the past week. Ted Little got a deer which dressed at about 60 pounds. Benny Eax brought in one which dressed 61 pounds. Milton Sparks got a buck that dressed at 65 pounds. Cap Spinney of Aransas Pass shot a buck that dressed 86 pounds. Delo Caspary bagged a buck that dressed 60 pounds. O. P. Little buck dressed 60 pounds. Jim Sorenson Sr. brought in an 80 pound buck and Ira Cundriff bagged one that tipped the scales at 143 pounds dressed.

Fishing in the area was at an all-time low for the winter. Some fish were being caught but they were running small in size and numbers. A few reds were caught at the end of Goose Island following the norther. Fishing was best at the basin at night and fishermen are still yearning for lights to make it easier for a fisherman to see what he is doing.

Three men from Crosby, Tex., made the catch of the week. They brought in 94 trout at 8 o'clock this morning which they had caught at the basin during the early morning hours. The catch (Continued on last page)

Pirates to Play in Taft Tourney Fri.

The Rockport Pirates will journey to Taft Friday night where they will take part in the first tournament play of the basketball season. The Pirates will play Refugio in the second round of play. The game will start at 7 p. m.

This will be a single elimination tourney. The winner of the Rockport-Refugio game will play the winner of the Taft-Freer game. Eight teams will be entered, only two of which are class B teams. Six of the teams will come from class A schools.

Tuesday night the Pirates played at Refugio where they were beaten 38-24. The game was a close one in spite of the 14-point margin which Refugio held at the end. The Rockport boys maintained a lead until the third quarter. They dropped behind about 10 points early in the fourth quarter, gaining some back, but lost the game in the last few minutes of play. Woody Hunt and Jim Morrison were high point men for the game, each having eight points. Price was high for Refugio with 18 points and Wright was second with 9. The Pirates controlled the backboard throughout most of the game. Their passes were fairly good but the boys missed a lot of the baskets. Close and Hunt were the defensive spark plugs for the evening.

The Rockport B team lost to Refugio 31-19, where again the Pirates maintained a lead through the first half, falling behind in the second half and losing the game. Last Friday night the Pirates met Woodsboro on their home floor and the Woodsboro team looked like the district champs that they are supposed to be. Rockport lost the game 45-28. The visiting team missed few baskets and followed those up with rebound shots. Gilcrease, Borden and Henry played outstanding ball against the Pirates and have been outstanding (continued on page 4)

WEATHER REPORT

Instruments are read at the marine laboratory each day at 3:30 p. m.
Monday—Max. temp. 70, min. 64. Barometric pressure 29.42 inches.
Tuesday—Max. temp. 70, min. 46. Barometric pressure 29.83 inches.
Wednesday—Max. temp. 51, min. 41. Barometric pressure 30.05 inches.
Thursday (9 a. m.)—Max. temp. 48, min. 45. Barometric pressure 30.27 inches. Tide 1.7 feet.

South Texans Use More Electricity During 1948

South Texans used far more electricity in 1948 than ever before, and Central Power and Light Company was kept busy throughout the year expanding its facilities to keep ahead of the growing demand.

The increased use of electricity reflects the continuing growth of the territory served by CPL, Lon C. Hill, president of the company, explained. Central Power and Light Company finished the year with a gain of about 12,500 customers, bringing the total served to more than 145,000. Population growth, industrial development, farm electrification and commercial activity all figured in the increase.

The average customer also increased his use of electricity in 1948, applying electric service to more work in homes, farms, business houses and industrial plants. Total consumption of electricity by CPL customers for the year was about 675 million kilowatt hours, as compared with less than 591 million kilowatt hours in 1947. The use of electricity in South Texas has more than doubled since 1942.

Customer use of electricity was consistently heavy throughout 194 with the heaviest sustained demand coming in the summer months when cotton ginning, irrigation pumping, refrigeration, comfort cooling and other seasonal requirements were high. An unusual feature of 1948, however, was that the yearly peak load—the highest customer demand at any one time—came in December for the first time in the company's history. On December 21 the customer demand upon the CPL system reached 161,400 kilowatts, an all-time record. Contributing factors included unseasonably hot weather, dryness and Christmas lighting.

In order to meet these ever-increasing customer requirements and provide a reserve supply of electricity for future needs, Central Power and Light Company worked throughout 1948 on major additions to its largest power plants. A 2000 kilowatt electric generating unit at La Palma Power Station, in Benito, and a 33,000 kilowatt generating unit at Nueces Bay Lower Station, Corpus Christi, were in the process of being installed. The San Benito unit was practically complete by the end of the year and was expected to be in full service by early February, 1949. The Corpus Christi unit is scheduled for completion in May, 1949. These two units will (Continued on page 4)

Renwar Oil Corp. Proposes to Develop Copano Bay Field

Renwar Oil Corporation has requested a permit from the Department of the Army to authorize all structures and work incidental to the development of an oil field in Copano Bay. State Tracts No. 105 and 106 in an area containing approximately 91 acres adjacent to the west shore of Live Oak Peninsula are central to a point approximately five miles north from Rockport.

The corporation proposes to erect and maintain structures to be used in connection with the drilling of wells for the production of oil, gas, or other minerals and for producing, storing and transporting oil, gas or other minerals therefrom. Such structures would include derricks, platforms, runways, walks, tanks, wharves, loading racks, protection structures and foundations; to dredge and maintain channels, canals, and sloughs; to place shell fills; to construct moorings, markers, pipe lines, and other facilities; to

Junior Quint to Play Inglestad Tonight

The junior basketball team of T. Houston Foster will play their season at 6 o'clock tonight at the Inglestad gymnasium. The team has played their first season at 6 o'clock and lost 25 to 7.

Hampshire Tops At International Show



CROPSEY, ILL.—Here is the grand champion barrow over all breeds at the 1948 International Livestock Show Junior Feeding Contest. At six months of age he weighed 210 pounds and is a firm, meaty, trim, nicely balanced Hampshire carrying a high per cent of the high-priced lean meat cuts of ham, loin and bacon. He was shown by 4-H club exhibitor Morris Pratt whose record is typical of the records made by Hampshires in the hands of the junior livestock enthusiasts of the nation. This barrow could well be considered an economy type in that he can be produced economically by the farmer and will yield a carcass worth a premium in dollars and cents—all in the same animal.

Rebekahs Organize C. of C. Dinner "Willing Workers" Meeting Monday

Members of the Rockport Rebekah Lodge met at the home of Mrs. Will Rooke Tuesday for the purpose of organizing a club to be known as the "Willing Workers". Mrs. Erma Cloberdants was elected president. Mrs. Ora May was named vice-president, Mrs. Joe Smith, treasurer, and Mrs. Loreta Raulerson, recording secretary.

The object of the club is to raise money for the building of a new lodge hall on the lots recently purchased by the lodge. The lots are located on highway 35 across from the Rockport Fish and Oyster Co.

Those who attended the meeting for organization were Mrs. Cloberdants, Mrs. Lawrence McLester, Mrs. Jennie Wright, Mrs. Floy Rooke, Mrs. Joe Smith and Miss Ruby Mae Clarke.

Potluck Supper For Tourists to Be Held At Gym Next Thursday

The Tourist Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce will hold a pot luck supper at the school gym Thursday night at 7 o'clock for the tourists in the area. Each couple attending has been asked to bring a covered dish.

The supper will be spread family style in the school cafeteria. Coffee, cocoa, hot rolls and butter will be supplied by the Bureau. Door prizes will be awarded to the lucky man and woman. Games will be played during the evening. Tourists can obtain tickets to the supper from the court owner where they are staying.

This is the first party to be held in the New Year. There will be another later this month.

Mrs. Roy Hinton is chairman in charge of the 7 parties which have been planned for the year. Assisting here are Dick Denny and E. J. Albin.

Nine Days Left To Turn In C. of C. Slogan

Have you written your Chamber of Commerce slogan and dropped it in the box at the Ballard Drug Store or Johnson's Drug Store? You have nine more days in which to do so. Everyone is eligible to enter the contest except the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and their families.

All you have to do is write a snappy slogan, something that you think will catch the eye, and you will have a chance of winning \$25, the prize being offered by the chamber for the best slogan.

The Chamber of Commerce needs a slogan for display and advertising purposes. It must necessarily be short—not more than six words. Persons living out of town can forward their entry to the chamber office. The contest will end January 15, but the directors have reserved the privilege to extend the time if a suitable slogan is not turned in.

C. of C. Dinner Meeting Monday

The Rockport Chamber of Commerce will hold their January dinner meeting at the Methodist Church annex Monday night at 7:30, Jan. 10. The meeting was previously announced for Tuesday but due to conflicting engagements at the annex, was changed to Monday.

This will be the last meeting of the fiscal year. Reports will be heard and a nominating committee appointed.

Members are asked to contact Mrs. Baker at the chamber office for reservations.

Aransas Pass Man Killed in Freak Accident Sunday

Robert Garcia of Aransas Pass was electrocuted about 1:45 Sunday afternoon as a result of throwing a rope tied to a wire over a high line on Highway 35 about five miles north of Mills Wharf.

According to Jack Underwood, invalid, who was riding with Garcia, engine trouble developed in the car in which they were returning to Aransas Pass, forcing them to stop at the side of the road. However Garcia was unable to get anyone to stop and render aid. He tied some old wire together and attached old rope to the end of the wire. While throwing the rope over the barber wire fence, he threw it too high and went over the high line, killing him instantly. His clothes were burned and the grass caught fire.

A passerby reported the accident to Sheriff Curry who went to the scene to investigate with Justice of the Peace R. R. Roberts and Dr. L. G. Wood. The death was termed accidental.

County and City Taxes Coming in Favorably

Seventy-four per cent or \$13,860 of the city's current taxes have been collected, according to the city secretary, Mrs. E. W. Townsend. The current collectable taxes amount to \$18,930.68. This is a 20 per cent increase over the amount collected at the same time last year. By January 1, 1948, 60 per cent or \$11,393 had been collected. The current collectable for 1948 was \$16,760.76.

The total amount of delinquent taxes collected since October is \$1,116.69 out of a total of \$18,203. Last year in the same three month period \$3,193.33 was collected. The total amount of delinquent taxes at that time was \$25,378.

Revenue from beer and package store licenses issued in the city has increased from \$175 to \$194.50. \$62 was collected from moving and building permits issued during the last six months as compared with \$34 collected during the same period in 1947.

According to Tax Assessor Collector A. R. Curry 80 per cent of the current county taxes have been collected out of the total collectable of \$147,331.66. This compares favorably with the amount collected during the same period in 1947, at which time only 60 per cent of the current county taxes were collected.

Mass Chest X-ray Starts Thursday; \$50 In Prizes

During the next week a drive will be made in Rockport to encourage everyone 15 years of age and above to have a chest X-ray made at John C. Sorenson's Store Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 13, 14 and 15. The goal of the committee is to have 100 per cent of the people in the county X-rayed. Victoria county recently completed chest X-rays there with over 90 per cent of the county's population turning out, giving them second place in the entire United States for the number of persons X-rayed.

Everyone that has an X-ray taken will be given a number. Saturday, upon completion of X-raying, a drawing will be held and three cash prizes awarded. The first prize will be \$25, second prize \$15 and third prize \$10.

You need a chest X-ray if you have never had a chest X-ray, if you have not had a chest X-ray in the last two years, if there has ever been tuberculosis in your home, if you have worked with someone who had tuberculosis, and if you want to be sure that your lungs are okay.

The State Health Dept. is conducting this state-wide mass X-ray survey to enable those people who (Continued on last page)

Lions Club Invites Public to Open House Mon.

The Fulton Lions Club will hold open house Monday night, Jan. 10, at the community building, recently completed by the club. The evening's entertainment will start at 7:30. Home made cake and coffee will be sold. There will be many kinds of games to play. The public is invited to attend. Floyd Brown is chairman of the affair.

The old time dance planned by the club has been scheduled for January 29. B. F. Ripsey is in charge of arrangements. The Lions will entertain the ladies at Ladies' Night Monday, Jan. 31. Monte Rouquette is chairman for this occasion.

Students Organize Safety Patrol

Weldon Cabaniss, chairman of the school safety committee of the Rotary Club, announced at the Wednesday meeting that the committee had succeeded in getting one Safety Sally and an order has been placed for five more. The Sallys will be placed at road intersections up and down the highway in an effort to slow down traffic and make the crossings safe for school children.

Owen James announced that the school Safety Patrols had been organized which will consist of uniformed students equipped with poles and yellow flags. The students will be authorized to regulate and control motor and pedestrian traffic at various road intersections on the highway and near the school. The Safety Patrol will be in operation in the near future, Mr. James said.

Nancy Jeurgens, high school senior, spoke at the noon meeting on "The American Way." Glen Owens, high school senior, gave an address, "We, The People."

Guests at the meeting were O. H. Merkel of Mason City Iowa, and Elmer C. Gee of Shenandoah, Iowa.

Firemen Put Out Grass Fire North of Airport Tuesday Night

Members of the Fire Department spent a chilly night at the airport Tuesday night as a result of a grass fire which started burning and was not put out until about 5 a. m. Wednesday.

The fire started next to an oil tank located north of the airport about 5 o'clock Tuesday. During the fire-fighting a truck was damaged in an attempt to get it across the ditch to the fire, tearing the pump out from underneath. About \$150 will be required to repair it. About 20 men fought the blaze until 1 a. m., when they came into town. Four returned to watch the blaze and finally got it out at 5 a. m. Damage resulted from the

Replacement of Outfall Line for City Sewer System Nears Completion

New Line Will Eliminate Seepage Which Result Along Route of Old Broken Line

The City of Rockport is replacing the outfall line for the city sewer plant. Work got underway last week and will be completed this weekend. Fred Percival is the engineer on the project and J. L. McFadden of Houston is the contractor.

The line is being laid along the same route as the old line which stopped up and cracked, resulting in the improper disposal of the sewage. With the completion of the new line, the health menace resulting from the seepage of sewage back of the school will no longer be present.

County Officers Qualified Saturday

County officers met at the court house Saturday morning at 10 o'clock where oaths of office were administered by District-County Clerk Jas. C. Herring and officers were qualified to begin their term of office.

D. R. Simmons will serve his first term as county judge. Mr. Simmons takes over in place of Emory M. Spencer who was ap-



D. R. SIMMONS
Serving First Term
As Aransas County Judge

pointed to fill the office last spring following the death of Judge B. S. Fox. Mr. Simmons was formerly democratic county chairman and a member of the school board.

Another newcomer to the court house is Chas. K. Tatum, who is serving his first term as county treasurer. Mrs. Judy Collier had supplied the office for four months following the death of the former county treasurer, J. Ed Moore. R. R. Roberts took the oath of office to serve as justice of the peace for Precinct 1. Precincts 1 and 2 will again have a constable as George Harrell was sworn in at that position.

Incumbents returned to take the oath of office were Sheriff A. R. Curry, Commissioners W. B. Allen, Jack Sparks, J. H. Mills and Arthur Davis, and Jas. C. Herring, clerk.

Deputies authorized for the sheriff's department were incumbents S. H. Mundine and Slim Haynes.

Rockport Blizzard Victims Rescued

Aerial and ground mercy missions brought relief Wednesday to 343 bus passengers and motorists stranded for three days in blizzard-battered Rockport.

The motorists had huddled in the village's lone tavern. Soup and coffee was their principal nourishment during that time. Rescuers said nearly all the storm refugees were suffering from colds and undernourishment.

Several motorists who had injured themselves trying to free their snowbound cars and sick persons were the first evacuated. They were driven out of Rockport in a large bus which followed the first snow-plow into the city.

Thirty-five children, the youngest two months old, were among the rescued group. Snow blocked both front and back doors of the tavern. The only exit was through a broken window in the women's rest room.

Rockport? — Yes, Rockport, but not the Rockport that we know. This all happened in Rockport, Colo., in the blizzard that has caused untold suffering and hardship throughout the middle west for the past few days.

Col. C. M. Davis was admitted to Brooke General Hospital at Antonio, Wednesday.

New Postal Fees Confuse Public

Nearly all postal fees went up in price January 1, but many persons are still trying to send air mail letters for 5 cents, postal authorities declared today. Air mail stamps are now 6 cents.

Special air mail postcards will soon be available at the post office in Rockport for 4 cents, formerly required a 5 cent air mail stamp to send a 1 cent air mail.

Special delivery stamps were formerly 13 cents are now 15 cents. Greeting cards which formerly could be mailed for 1 1/2 cents, now require 2 cent stamps. Money order fees and postal orders have also gone up.

Letters mailed without the correct amount of postage are delayed because postal clerks are forced to slap postage-due stamps on them or return them to the sender for more postage. For other increases in rates such as parcel post package mail, the sender should check at the post office for the new rates.

Local post office officials also announced this week that unless loitering in the lobby of the office and tampering with the boxes ceases, the post office will be closed at 6:30 p. m. This warning comes as a result of complaints which have been received that boxes have been tampered with.

It was reported this week that there was never a back log on Christmas mail during the Christmas rush at the local post office. All cards and parcel post got out each day.

Presbyterian Men Plan Building Program

The building program for the new church was the subject for discussion at the monthly dinner meeting of the men of the Presbyterian Church which was held at the church annex Monday. Plans are underway to inaugurate a program inaugurated last year.

Plans were made to hold an evangelistic meeting at the church beginning the second Sunday in February. The Rev. Sam B. Hill of Cuero will conduct the meetings.

About 30 men attended the dinner. Mrs. Fred Cloberdants was chairman of the committee preparing the food. She was assisted by Mrs. Fred Brundrett, Mrs. S. A. Crawford and Mrs. R. C. Hapner.

Fire Dept. Nearly Received New Truck

Fire Chief Chas. Ankele reported today that the new truck, ordered over a year ago, was scheduled to have left the factory in Detroit Monday but due to a wildcat strike, they were unable to get the truck out. Immediate delivery has been promised for the last two months.

The Fire Department was called out about 3 p. m. this afternoon to extinguish a grass fire in the area of the school.

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51,772 Teachers Needed By Schools In Next 10 Years

Austin, Tex. — Texas schools must have a minimum of 51,772 new teachers in the next ten years.

That is 5,000 more than the total now in the schools. They number 46,500.

Replacement of teachers is causing educators great concern, according to Miss Waurino Walker of Waco, first vice-president of the Texas State Teachers Association and a member of the National Education Association committee on teacher education and professional standards.

"There is already a tremendous shortage of teachers and the profession is not proving sufficiently attractive to induce enough people to enter it," Miss Walker said here today.

"Texas, itself, is now short several thousand qualified teachers. National and state surveys disclose that in the next decade 1,277,714 new teachers will be needed throughout the United States.

"Texans will have to find a bare minimum of 51,772 new instructors."

show of the National Committee that 31,689 teachers will leave the Texas schools during the next ten years. They will die, retire or quit the classroom for other reasons."

The birth rate, rapidly accelerated during the war years, will soon be reflected in huge increases in attendance in schools throughout the Nation, Miss Walker pointed out.

"Texas, alone, will need nearly 16,000 to take care of the increased enrollment due alone to the advanced birth rate," the Teachers Association officer said.

"The state must find an additional 4,500 teachers to replace those teachers with emergency certificates who are on a temporary basis. During the war years all school systems were forced to lower their teaching standards due to the shortage of teachers."

That the estimated nearly 52,000 new teachers is a minimum figure was indicated by Miss Walker because of Texas' tremendous growth industrially.

"Texas is growing industrially far more rapidly than the average person realizes," she said.

"Should the state continue to attract industry as successfully as it has during the last seven or eight years, our schools will have more pupils than they can handle."

made the future of the state, especially in Walker declared, because of the schools in the state are crowded.

for our schools to handle the additional pupils in any one year. "Another recent estimate that nearly half

BOYCE HOUSE Gives You Texas



I'm agin any rationing of gasoline for Texas!

Last winter, we shivered and dozens of cities shut down and hundreds of schools were closed because we didn't have gas—when at the same time hundreds of millions of cubic feet of Texas gas was going to the North and East.

Let's quit being saps. We produce the oil and refine the gasoline down here in Texas and, as long as there is no war, let's take all of our gasoline that we want and the rest of the United States can have the rest.

The Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts referred to the people of the Southern states as "backwoods yahoos" or something to that effect not long ago, and if we let him and the other people of his section impose rationing of our gasoline on us, we are exactly what he says we are.

Do the people of Chicago refrain from going to big league ball games which are played in their city simply because we of the Southwest can't go? Do the people of New York refrain from going to a Broadway hit just because we of this section can't see it? You can bet your favorite fedora with the snap-brim and the pink band that they don't. Being able to see big league baseball and Broadway shows is one of the advantages—one of the few advantages, I might say—that living in the North offers.

If the Yankees want plenty of gasoline, let 'em move to Texas—as a good many of them have).

The career of an athlete, even the greatest, is tragically short. Years and years ago, there was an old-timer who pitched for the semi-pro club in Eastland. He summed up the whole story of an athlete in this remark, "When I was a youngster, they said I had a million-dollar arm and a two-bit head; now, I've got a million-dollar head and a two-bit arm."

of the schoolrooms are already overcrowded.

"Texans have every right to expect high standards in education, but we cannot improve it as long as our teachers are not fully qualified and they are required to teach oversized classes. It is not fair to the pupils.

"Finding tens of thousands of new teachers is a problem of concern to everyone and a problem to which our colleges are giving considerable thought. This year there were twelve teaching positions open to every student who graduated from one of our colleges trained to teach school."

Star-Lites

MOVIES, MIKES AND MISCELLANEOUS

By LYN WILSON

ONE PERSON who breathes a sigh of relief with the holidays over is Helen Hayes, star of the Electric Theatre Sunday nights on CBS. After several months in England, starring in the British version of "The Glass Menagerie," the tiny actress came home the middle of Nov. and crowded her Christmas shopping into less than a month. In addition, Miss Hayes started her new radio series: got daughter Mary MacArthur ready for her social debut; decorated and furnished an apartment for Mary; got her family ready for the holidays; read several new plays; made 14 benefit appearances; posed for over 100 pictures; bought a new wardrobe—and broadcast every Sunday night! Busy! And with the holidays over, next on the agenda is to completely redecorate her N. Y. apartment—and she's doing all the planning.



Helen Hayes

SMALL BUT BIG news of the "Day"—Dennis Day's wife the former Peggy Alquist presented Dennis (and the holiday season) with a brand new 8 lb. 2 oz. son. Baby is a California native named Patrick James McNulty. Dennis is a native of the Bronx born a McNulty.

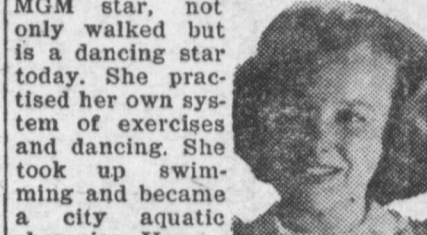
THE LOCAL CHAPTER of the American Cancer Society of Xenia, Ohio, added more than \$2,500 to their fund as a result of a resident of that city winning the mystery prize on Producer Sam Levine's MBS' "Take A Number" program.



Sam Levine

The prize, an all expense party, provided by the program's sponsor, was presented to the Mayor's committee by the winner, Mrs. Joseph Chamberlin. Lionel Hampton appeared at the Concert held by them and the town turn out in full force to attend and participate in the drawing for more than \$1,000 worth of door prizes. Leave it to the American public. They've never lost a fight yet and this sort of work and unselfishness can win the fight against cancer.

THIS LITTLE LADY'S LIFE should be an inspiration to people who are faced with handicaps. Refusing to be discouraged by the dictum of doctors that she might never walk again, June Allyson, versatile young MGM star, not only walked but is a dancing star today. She practiced her own system of exercises and dancing. She took up swimming and became a city aquatic champion. Her reward is Holly-wood's top-most rung of stardom. In six short years she has made some 15 movies—her latest "Little Women" and "The Three Musketeers." June is married to actor Dick Powell. She is unaffected, friendly and sincere and was accorded unnumbered pin-up titles by the G.I.'s during the war.



June Allyson

SPEAKING OF HONORS... Eve Arden has picked off another... this time Newspaper and Magazine radio editors throughout the U. S. and Canada have voted Eve the "Best Comedienne" in the Motion Picture Daily's 13th Annual Radio Poll for "Fame" magazine.

MAN OF THE WORLD — Jerome Courtland, 22, is telling Hollywood friends all about the Big Town, following his first visit to New York. Unlike the guy who created a minor furor opposite Shirley Temple in "Kiss and Tell," he travelled by bus like the regular Joe he is. You'll remember him with Irene Dunne and Charles Boyer in "Together Again."



Jerome Courtland

Two new pictures, soon to be released, are "The Man From Colorado" (a technicolor production) and "The Walking Hills" and... he has just finished "Make Believe Ballroom" for Columbia in which he sings for the first time. To now, Jerry's singing has been for vets. He has never forgotten his hospitalization for seven long months after a stint in the service. Jerome should do well... his mother, Mary Courtland, was the first vocalist on radio's "Hit Parade."

Diabetes Major Health Problem

Austin, Tex.—Despite the fact that modern medicine makes it possible for the diabetic to live out a normal life span in comparative comfort, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, says that diabetes continues to take the lives of hundreds of Texans every year.

"The death rate from communicable diseases such as typhoid, malaria, diphtheria and smallpox are decreasing throughout the country," Dr. Cox said, "but diabetes continues to bring about a tragic number of deaths each year, especially in the middle-aged group."

The state health officer said that until recent years diabetes was not noted as a major health problem, but it became acknowledged as such when the development of medical laboratory procedures made the disease more easily diagnosed.

Diabetes is generally recognized as a class disease, since it seems to attack the "white collar" class of indoor men and women much more frequently than it does the outdoor person whose work is more vigorous and calls for more exercise. Vocational and economical conditions apparently are predisposing factors in the incidence of the disease, since it is a fact that those persons whose occupations call for manual labor and simple living are not frequently affected.

Dr. Cox recommended simple, wholesome diets, sufficient sleep and exercise as other general health protections as being beneficial in preventing diabetes, and stressed the importance of annual physical examinations so that if the disease is present, competent treatment can be instituted at the earliest possible moment.

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Dollar Due to Buy More Farm Products in '49

College Station, Tex.—The housewife's dollar will buy more food and fibre in 1949 than during the previous year, according to Louis Franke, extension editor for A. & M. College.

Mr. Franke sees lower prices for farm products next year. He says for more than a year the price of farm products has had a tendency to ease down.

Here is Mr. Franke's analysis of the situation for November 15, 1948, as compared with the same date in 1947:

Down—Wholesale milk a little less than 1 per cent; cotton, 4 per cent; wheat 25 per cent; oranges, 30 per cent; oats, 31 per cent; grain sorghums, 36; corn, 44, and grapefruit, 50.

Up—Retail milk, peanuts and lamb, 5 per cent; wool and apples, 9 per cent; eggs, 20, and turkeys, 29 per cent.

Citrus growers have been hardest hit; grapefruit prices were already low a year ago. Vegetable prices generally are down about a third from November 15, 1947.

Mr. Franke in a recent interview asked John McNeely, who teaches courses in farm commodity prices at A. & M. and is regarded as an authority on price trends, if he looked for serious trouble in the price situation.

Mr. McNeely said there is a lot of similarity between the 1920 situation when farm prices crashed and today, except in 1920 there was no Marshall plan.

Government price floors, he said, will tend to slow up the drop in farm prices. The U.S.D.A. will support prices through loans and in heavy buying of surplus products for export under E.C.A. and to the occupied zones.

Most of all, Doctor McNeely says, there can't be any general collapse of farm prices as long as the United States employment figure holds around 60,000,000—there's just too much buying power. A general "leveling off," maybe; but a big crash, no.

Texas Better Off

The big reason that Texas agriculture is better off than that of the nation as a whole is that some of its main products are in a very favorable position.

Cotton, Texas' main crop, is down only 4 per cent. Beef cattle, another big source of income, is up 1 per cent. Dairymen are pretty well holding even and are getting a break from lower grain and protein costs. Poultrymen, prices up, feed costs down. Wool, up 9 per cent.

The price breaks that hurt Texas worst were those of wheat and grain sorghum. But even at that,

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For the record, farm prices are still 142 per cent above the low point of 1920-21.

Which is probably mighty small comfort to the citrus growers down in the Rio Grande Valley, who are getting around \$12.50 per ton for grapefruit on the trees.

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 11, 1949 for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for any other legal purpose that may be brought before said meeting.
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YOUNGSTERS ATTEND SURPRISE PARTY

Mrs. W. B. Allen entertained with a surprise birthday party in honor of her niece, Carol Sue Lawrence, last Friday. It was Carol Sue's eighth birthday.

The afternoon was spent playing outdoor games. A dance was presented by Mary Sue Lassiter, Sue James, Nancy Court, Joy Hamblin and Carol Sue Lawrence.

Cookies, cold drinks and a large white birthday cake embossed with pink trimmings and candles were served.

Those who attended the party were Nancy Sparks, Joy Hamblin, Sue James, Mary Sue Lassiter, Eddie Ratliff, Theresa Johnson, Nell Mundine, Gary Horn, Linda Beth Deason, Frankie Jones, James Fox, Mary Mueller, Jackie Deason, Jimmy Lawrence, Ernest Camehl and Tamera Camehl.

AR HOLDS ROAST

Anvases given by the Victoria in honor of Mrs. Simon Michels from Rockport, at the president, Mrs. Brett, last Thursday night.

Abos called between 7:30 and 8:30.

A site color scheme was using room. White New Year silvers leaves formed on the dining table candelabra and on either side. Poinsettias, white narcissi and other plants were used.

Guests and artists from Cum, San Antonio, and Magnolia Beach were present. Those from Rockport in the honorees were Mrs. M. E. McDermott, Mrs. E. J. Albin and Mrs. M. W. Cochran.

FAREWELL PARTY HONORS MRS. COLE

The ladies of the Sacred Heart Church parish gave a farewell party for Mrs. Lena Cole, who has been the housekeeper of the Sacred Heart rectory for over 12 years, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bracht Tuesday night.

Mrs. Urban Hemmi and Mrs. J. F. Harbin greeted the guests at the door. The ladies of the parish gave Mrs. Cole a purse and each presented her with a gift.

Refreshments were served from the dining room in candle light. The lace-covered table was centered with an arrangement of hibiscus. Mrs. Willie Close Jr. poured the coffee. Cake was served by Miss Vivian Pictou.

Mrs. Cole left Wednesday for San Antonio where she will live her sister.

Those who attended the party were Mrs. Elva Mullinax, Mrs. Urban Hemmi, Mrs. C. L. Grant, Miss Mabel Bracht, Miss Genevieve Bracht, Mrs. Mary Adolphus, Mrs. Arlie Shivers, Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc, Mrs. Ed Bernard, Mrs. Roy Rogero, Miss Verona Kleaser, Mrs. J. F. Harbin, Miss Vivian Pictou, Miss Velma Pictou, Miss Grace Smith, Mrs. W. S. Close Jr., Mrs. Raymond Roberts, Miss Mary Jo Bracht, Mr. Urban Hemmi, Rev. H. H. Bockholt and Fred Bracht.

NEW YEARS PARTY AT HEMMI HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Urban Hemmi entertained with a New Year's Eve party at their home Friday night.

Refreshments were served from a table laid with a lace cloth and centered with an arrangement of silvered fur branches and tangerines. Red tapers decorated each end of the table. A dark cake labeled 1948 was placed at one end of the table and a white cake labeled 1949 was at the other end.

Punch, mints and nuts were enjoyed during the evening. A midnight snack of tuna fish salad, ritz crackers, potato chips, olives, cake and coffee was served.

Those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Key, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Beasley and Mrs. Calvin.

Holiday guests at the home of Mrs. Manch Brundrett were Mrs. T. W. Hynes and daughter of Corpus Christi, Mrs. W. A. Kell and three children from Hebronville, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson and son of Del Rio.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Kight returned to Beeville Monday after visiting through the holidays at the home of Mrs. Manch Brundrett.

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When the time for spring cleaning and redecorating rolls around, there will be many lovely new patterns in cotton fabrics for draperies, upholstery, and slip covers. The National Cotton Council points to Pomeroy, a modernized version of 19th Century English bed valance by Maffinson, as one of the most unusual. The chair pictured above is covered in Pomeroy.

French Baritone Will Appear With S. A. Symphony Jan. 15

San Antonio, Tex.—The distinguished French baritone of the Metropolitan Opera, Martial Singher, will join the San Antonio Symphony and Conductor Max Reiter as guest soloist in the seventh subscription concert at Municipal Auditorium here Saturday night (Jan. 15.)

Reiter will conduct a program ranging from the music of the 17th century violin master, Pietro Locatelli, to present-day Russians, Shostakovich and Stravinsky.

Here Singher will be heard in Ravel's "Don Quichotte a Dulcinee" one song of which is dedicated to the baritone; two arias, "Che far senza, Eurydice, from Cluck's "Orpheus and Eurydice," and "Vision fugitive, from "Herodiade," by Massenet. And, he will be soloist in the suite for voice and orchestra from Berlioz' "The Damnation of Faust."

Four members of the Symphony will be featured in Locatelli's Concerto for Four Violins and Orchestra. These are Concert Master Julius Hegyi, Alfred Schade, assistant concert master, Leopold La Fosse and Frederick Kruse, first violinists.

Reiter has also programmed Shostakovich's Prelude in E-flat and Stravinsky's "The Fire Bird" Suite.

Singer returns to San Antonio for the first time in the role of concert artist. He was one of a number of Metropolitan opera singers who participated in the 1948 Grand Opera Festival, singing the role of Wolfram in the two performances of "Tannhauser."

Arthur Rubinstein will be soloist with the San Antonio Symphony, Reiter conducting, in the sixth subscription concert next Saturday night (Jan. 8), performing the Second Piano Concerto of Rachmaninoff, Schumann's "Rhenish" Symphony and "Twill Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks," Richard Strauss, will complete the program.

Tickets for both concerts are available at the Symphony's Municipal Auditorium box office. Mail orders are filled in the order received.

Mr. and Mrs. Somer Smith and sons spent the holidays in Galveston, Alvin and Texas City where they visited relatives. While in Galveston they attended the Oleander Bowl football game.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Members of the Women's Civic Club will meet at the fire hall Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 for their regular monthly meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Rudd were guests at the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard last Thursday and Friday.

Norvell Jackson and Rev. T. H. Pollard will represent the Presbyterian church at the Presbytery of Western Texas meeting to be held at Sinton next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Albert Hunt and baby from Corpus Christi visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith, New Years Day.

Miss Margie Hunt was a guest of Miss Vanda Smith New Years Day.

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WEDNESDAY CLUB PLAYS BRIDGE AT FRED BOOTH HOME

Members and guests of the Wednesday Bridge Club were entertained at the home of Mrs. Fred Booth Wednesday afternoon.

High score was won by Mrs. Chas. Ankele, second high was claimed by Mrs. Chester Johnson and third high went to Mrs. Fred Hunt.

Mrs. Ethel Cox of Kansas City, Mo., was a tea guest.

Bridge guests were Mrs. Chester Johnson, Mrs. Chas. Ankele, Miss Shirley Johnson, Mrs. C. A. Hopkins, Mrs. Chas. Roe, Sr., Mrs. C. F. Rozzell, Miss Mary Beth Pictou, and Mrs. I. C. Thurmond.

Members present were Mrs. Fred Bracht, Miss Mabel Bracht, Mrs. A. L. Bruhl, Mrs. Fred Christilles, Mrs. Fred Hunt, Mrs. J. H. Mills, Mrs. J. P. Hanway and Mrs. Jas. Sorenson.

Light refreshments were served.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Leon L. Carlton of Fulton are the parents of a daughter born December 29. She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces at birth and has been named Priscilla Amy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Warden are the parents of a son born Friday, Dec. 31, at Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi. The boy weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces at birth and has been named John Henry Warden, III.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bohn Jr., of New Orleans, La., are the parents of a son born Dec. 29. He has been named Craig Rouquette. Mrs. Bohn formerly lived in Fulton and was known as Elizabeth Rouquette.

Sergeant and Mrs. Edward Hunt are the parents of a girl born Thursday morning, Jan. 6 at an Aransas Pass hospital. The little girl has been named Winnie Laverne.

First flight over the English Channel was by Louis Bleriot in 1909.

VACATION SCENERY



Scenery like this is enough to make the stay-at-home just a bit envious of winter resort vacationers. This blonde vacationer wears a cotton cruise and resort ensemble designed by Stephanie Koret of California. The National Cotton Council reports that cotton is the favorite fabric for this season's sportswear.

OPEN HOUSE AT HINTON HOME

Miss Mary Louise Hilderbrand, grade school teacher, was hostess at an open house held at the Roy Hinton home Tuesday night.

Refreshments were served from a lace covered table centered with an arrangement of silver leaves and a huge red candle. Tea was poured by Mrs. Roy Lee Hart. Mrs. Raymond Morris served doughnuts.

The guests presented Miss Hilderbrand with a crystal vase.

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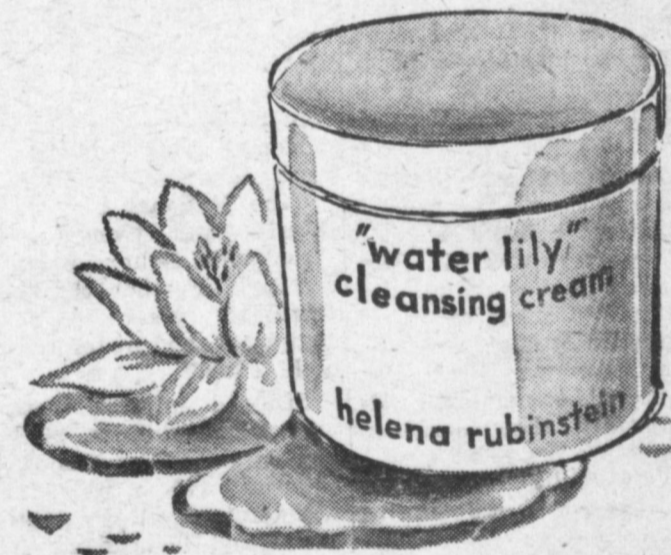


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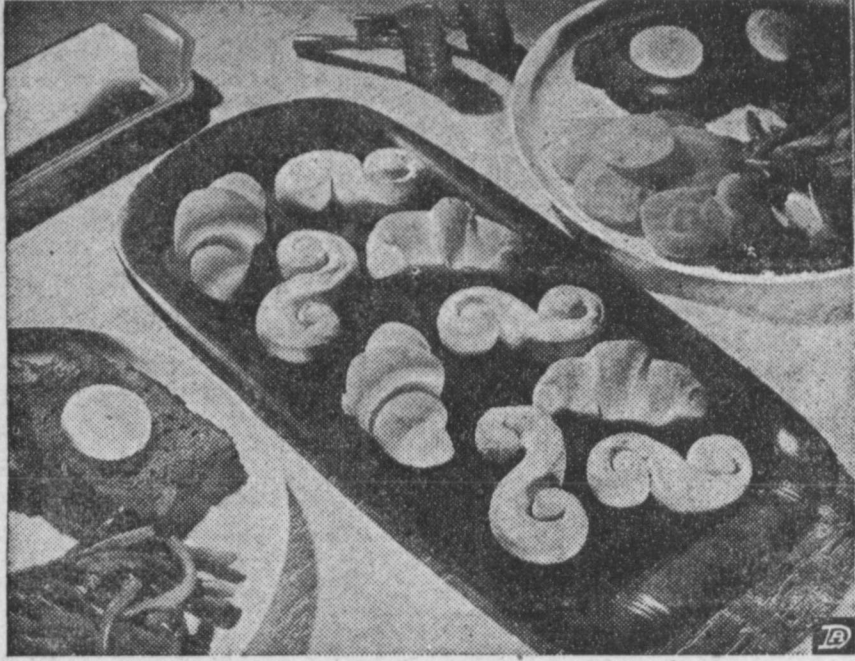
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When you serve hot rolls, your simple stew, meat loaf, or frankfurters and kraut, will taste extra good. After you have made raised rolls a few times, you can turn out a number of variations with ease. Use a standard roll recipe or a hot roll mix to make butterhorn and S-shaped rolls. For butterhorns, cut a circular sheet of dough into pie-shaped pieces and roll up, starting at the wide end. Go a step farther, if you like, and curve into crescents on the baking sheet. Although intricate looking, S-shaped rolls are simple. Roll both sides of a rectangular sheet of dough to the center, cut in inch slices and twist each piece in the middle. After rolls are shaped, brush a little melted butter or margarine over the top to keep a crust from forming during the second rising. Rolls baked quickly until a medium brown are moist and fluffy inside, crusty-crisp outside. A moderately hot oven (425 degrees F.) is best for achieving this color and quality. Leftover rolls can be re-heated for serving at another meal. Put them into a paper bag, sprinkle lightly with water, fold the end of the bag to close it, and heat in a hot oven for five minutes before serving.

In addition to providing variety in the menu at low cost, dinner rolls contribute six-way nourishment: protein, iron, food energy, and three B-vitamins.

DINNER ROLLS

- 1 package yeast, compressed or dry granular
- 1 cup lukewarm water
- 1 cup milk
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 1 egg, beaten
- 6 cups sifted enriched flour, (about)

Soften yeast in lukewarm water. Scald milk. Add sugar, salt, and shortening. Cool to lukewarm. Add one cup flour. Beat well. Add softened yeast and egg. Mix well. Add enough more flour to make a soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead until satiny (about 10 minutes). Place in greased bowl, cover and let rise until doubled (about one and one-half hours). Punch down. Cover and let rest ten minutes. For butterhorns: Turn dough out on mixing board and divide into four portions. Roll each portion into circle about one-eighth inch thick. Brush rolled dough with melted butter or margarine. Cut into pie-shaped pieces. Roll up, starting at wide end. For S-shaped rolls: Roll dough out to rectangle eight inches wide and one-fourth inch thick. Brush with melted butter or margarine. Roll each side toward center as if making twin jelly-roll. Cut into one-inch slices. Twist each piece in center to form S-shaped roll. Place rolls on greased baking sheets. Let rise until doubled (about one hour). Bake in hot oven (425 degrees F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes three and one-half dozen rolls.

South Texans Use More Electricity During 1948

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increase Central Power and Light Company's power production capacity by 41 per cent before next summer, when the largest customer use of electricity usually occurs. During 1948 engineering work also went forward on a new power plant at Laredo. Equipment for the Laredo plant, which will have an initial capacity of 33,000 kilowatts, was ordered late in 1947 and the plant is expected to be in service during 1951.

Although the power plant additions are an important part of CPL's long-range expansion program, Hill pointed out that they accounted for only part of over eight million dollars which Central Power and Light Company spent during 1948 for new facilities to serve its customers. More than 100 miles of 69,000 volt transmission line was added to the company's system, including the links from Cotulla to Artesia Wells, Corpus Christi to Taft, Beeville to Three Rivers and Bonnieview to Victoria. Other high voltage lines in the Corpus Christi and Port Lavaca areas were nearing completion at the close of the year. During 1948 CPL also built numerous new substations, enlarged and improved distribution systems, extended lower voltage lines and otherwise expanded its electric system to maintain good service for more customers throughout South Texas.

The company also made extensive improvements in its ice facilities, particularly in the Lower Rio Grande Valley area where ice is a vital factor in the shipment of fruits and vegetables by rail and truck. Several Valley ice plants were increased in capacity, additional ice storage space was provided and new ice handling equipment installed at several locations.

Although 1948 was the third full year of Central Power and Light Company's post-war expansion program, Hill asserted that it was the most critical to date from the standpoint of power supply. With power equipment unavailable during the war and deliveries further delayed by post-war shortages, customer demands increased for a time faster than new equipment could be procured to meet them. The result was a tight power situation during part of 1948, but the new production units now nearing completion are expected to provide a power reserve in excess of maximum use during 1949, Hill said.

The eight million dollars spent for expansion in 1948, added to more than nine million spent in 1947 and five million in 1946, brings the total to 22 million dollars for the first three post-war years. Although the cost of materials, labor and practically everything else involved in doing business has gone up sharply, Hill pointed out that the expansion to date has been accomplished without any increase in the price of electricity. In fact, he said, rates have actually been reduced since the war so that electricity today costs less than it did in any pre-war year.

"ELECTRIC MEMORY"



HOLLYWOOD—Lizabeth Scott is one of the busiest actresses in Hollywood as screen and radio assignments keep her constantly in demand. Here she uses the "electric memory" of a Webster-Chicago portable wire recorder for a backstage dialogue rehearsal before a recent radio appearance.

Pirates to Play in Taft Tourney Fri.

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all season. The Woodsboro team has been beaten only one time this season—by Beeville. Later they returned for revenge and won the game.

Woody Hunt played good defensive ball for the Pirates. Delgado was high for the night with 9 points to his credit. Cron was second with 7 points. Gilcrease and Borden came through for Woodsboro with 13 points each.

The Rockport B team lost to Woodsboro 42-16.

Box Score

REFUGIO	FG	PF	FT
England, F.	2	3	
Price, F.	8	4	2
Wright, C.	4	3	1
Duckett, G.	1	1	1
Goforth, G.	2	4	0
Gray, G.	0	0	0
Wilpitz, F.	0	0	0
	17	15	4

ROCKPORT

	FG	PF	FT
Close, F.	0	4	1
Delgado, F.	2	0	2
Cron, G.	0	1	1
Hunt, G.	3	1	1
Morrison, C.	3	1	1
Rowe, F.	1	1	0
James, G.	1	1	0
Ruth, C.	0	0	0
Williams	0	0	0
	9	9	6

WOODSBORO

	FG	PF	FT
Gilcrease, C.	5	2	3
Borden, F.	6	2	1
Henry, F.	5	0	0
E. Hornet, G.	0	2	0
Wiginton, G.	0	1	0
A. Hornet, F.	2	0	0
Cruz, G.	1	0	0
Hultgren, C.	0	0	1
Henkhouse, G.	1	2	0
	20	9	5

ROCKPORT

	FG	PF	FT
Close, F.	1	5	1
Delgado, F.	4	1	1
Cron, G.	3	1	1
Hunt, G.	2	2	1
Morrison, C.	1	3	0
Rowe, F.	0	0	0
James, G.	0	0	2
Ruth, C.	0	0	0
	11	12	6

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AUSTIN—Reserve commissions are now available for young doctors and dentists, subject to the draft, if they volunteer for these commissions and are placed on active duty before being inducted under the Selective Service Act, Colonel Oscar B. Abbott, Senior Army Instructor for the Organized Reserve Corps, has announced.

Under congressional provisions, these young doctors and dentists will receive \$100 per month compensation in addition to regular pay and allowances. The extra compensation will not be given to those who enter the services through the Selective Service, even though they are subsequently commissioned.

These reserve commissions are available to qualified doctors of medicine and dentistry who have completed a four-year course, physically able and now are serving an internship. Once they are accepted and commissioned in the reserve, they may be called for a period of active duty after they have finished their current year of internship. Such commission can be used to support a request for deferment in the draft.

At the present time there is a dire shortage of doctors and dentists, it is stated, and young doctors and dentists, who are subject to the draft, are urged by the armed services to give serious consideration to accepting commissions. They may get detailed information from any Organized Reserve Corps Instructor's office.

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Polio Epidemics in 1948 Drained Chapter Resources in 42 States

The great importance of a successful 1949 March of Dimes campaign was stressed today by Aransas County campaign chairman Jack Horton, who pointed out that epidemics during 1948 had made serious inroads on the funds of local chapters as well as on the emergency fund of national headquarters.

"We all know that infantile paralysis is one of the most expensive diseases to fight both in its acute stage and in after-care," Mr. Horton declared. "Last year, chapter chairmen in 403 counties in 42 states learned this the hard way. Their own funds were exhausted and their appeals to national headquarters drained the emergency fund completely. We must give—and give cheerfully—during the 1949 March of Dimes campaign to fortify our own funds against possible epidemics here during the polio season next summer and to build up the national emergency fund.

"To safeguard our community and the nation against the ravages of infantile paralysis, I strongly urge all to contribute at least 50 per cent more during the 1949 March of Dimes campaign, Jan. 14-31."

Chairman Horton explained some of the reasons for the high cost of fighting polio. Taking North Carolina as an example, Mr. Horton told how all local chapters of that state had pooled their funds when epidemics broke out in scattered communities.

"Even so, this state pool was insufficient and requests for emergency aid were sent to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis," Mr. Horton said. "That aid came immediately in cash and

of the national aid to North Carolina. The National Foundation recruited 500 nurses and 54 physical therapists — many of the latter trained through foundation scholarships. Four epidemiologists were sent into the state to explore the cause of the epidemics and 17 resident physicians were provided. An epidemic aid team was recruited from the University of Pittsburgh. "The National Foundation paid salaries and transportation for these polio fighters," Mr. Horton declared. "Further, the Foundation furnished great quantities of equipment, and material aid comes high today."

Included in this material aid were 26 respirators, 20 hot pack machines, 2,448 pounds of hot pack material, 475 bedside tables, 14 refrigerators, 141 tables, 390 chairs, and 646 beds and cribs. Also included were large numbers of sterilizers, chart desks, suction machines, oxygen equipment, electric fans, blankets and many other goods. Finally, the National Foundation established two hydrotherapy and physical therapy units and furnished 64 rooms for nurses.

"Exclusive of the funds which local chapters in North Carolina pooled, this service of the National Foundation cost more than \$1,000,000 by the end of the year," Mr. Horton said. "Remember, this is just the story of one state. Forty-one other states received aid from the emergency fund of national headquarters. North Carolina counted 2,407 victims of infantile paralysis, California had 4,150 and Texas victims numbered 1,611—all up to October 30."

Styx, according to Roman mythology, was the river one crossed to the Land of the Dead.

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BABYLON HAD FIRST PROFESSIONAL EFS. EVEN THEN THE TEMPERAMENT WAS HUMORED. TH WHO WORE CAPS LIKING'S BUT WITHOUT JELS.

UNACUSTOMED TO THE AROMA OF COFFEE, LONDON POLICE ARRESTED JAMES FARR, PROPRIETOR OF THE FIRST ENGLISH COFFEE HOUSE (1652), FOR MAINTAINING A NUISANCE.

ANCIENT NORSE FAVORED CONTRA MADE IN CHURCH, RT OR BEER HOUSE. "BEER HOUSE TONY" HAD GREAT WEIT.

FABULOUS LOUIS XIV OF FRANCE DREADED THIRTEEN AT TABLE.

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HERE'S LINDA

Starting Today

Today the Pilot runs the first of three cartoon strips as a reminder to all to join the 1949 March of Dimes.

Last year was a black one in polio history. So we are anxious to cooperate in the fight against infantile paralysis. These cartoons vividly stress the urgent need of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and its local chapter to replenish funds exhausted in fighting polio last summer.



V. A. Assists Veterans In House Construction

The San Antonio Veterans Administration Regional Office announced today that applications from three veterans in this area for government assistance in the purchase of specially adapted houses for paraplegics had been given final approval. Veterans Administration records indicate that thirteen other veterans in the 60-county area are eligible under the provisions of Public Law 702. Nine applications are in the process of review.

Ellis Conkling, Regional Loan Guaranty Officer, explained that Public Law 702 was recently enacted for the purpose of assisting paralyzed veterans in obtaining certain special features in their homes which are essential to the comfort and welfare of this type of disability. These aids normally include ramps and larger rooms to allow greater mobility of wheel chairs, hand rails in bath and bedrooms, and an exercise room.

Conkling pointed out that in order to be eligible for assistance in this program the veteran must be permanently and totally disabled by reason of a service-connected spinal cord disease or injury with paralysis of the legs or lower part of the body. Conkling stated that the following plans were open for selection by eligible veterans:

- (1) In those cases in which the veteran desires to construct a house the Veterans Administration will pay up to 50 per cent of the cost of such construction.
- (2) In those cases in which the veteran elects to remodel a house the Veterans Administration will pay up to 50 per cent of the total cost of remodeling plus an additional payment on the original cost of the dwelling.
- (3) Where the veteran has already purchased a suitably adapted house he may elect to have the Veterans Administration pay 50 per cent of the cost of the house or the unpaid balance of his note, whichever is less. In no case can the government pay in excess of \$10,000.

Leon P. Howell, regional manager, urged all veterans who believe they are eligible to contact their nearest Veterans Administration office regarding assistance under this program.

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Increase in Hunting Licenses During 1948

State Hunting licenses continued to increase during Sept., Oct. and Nov. of 1948 over the same period of the previous year. Resident hunting license revenue for these three months is \$250,107.52—a gain of \$35,474.83, and the number of hunters increased from 116,017 to 135,193—an increase of 19,176 or 16.5 per cent. Non-resident hunters increased during the same period from 169 to 248, an increase of 46.7 per cent.

WITH THE CHURCHES

- EPISCOPAL CHURCH**
Rev. Theodore Branch
2nd and 4th Sunday at 7 p.m.
- METHODIST CHURCH**
Rev. W. B. Wheeler, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45
Church Service at 11:00
Young Peoples Meeting at 6:30
Evening Service at 7:30
Training Union at 6:30
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. G. T. Cunningham, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45
Church Services at 10:45
Evening Services at 7:30
- PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
Rev. T. H. Pollard, Pastor
Sunday School at 10:00
Church Service at 11:00
Evening Services at 7:30
- CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Rev. H. H. Bockholt, Pastor
Sunday Mass 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Holy Days 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Week Days 7:00 a.m.
Friday Night Devotions, 7:30.
- FULTON CHURCH**
Rev. Bob Cunningham, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30
Church Services 10:30
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Sunday School 11:00-11:00
Church Services 11:00
Evening Services 8:00

\$66,000 Collected In Fines During 1948

The following is a summary of convictions obtained and fines collected for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1948 and a detailed report of cases filed for September, 1948, by the State Game, Fish and Oyster Commission:

	No. Cases	Fines
Sept., 1947	200	\$4,217.65
Oct.	293	7,913.20
Nov.	317	7,397.65
Dec.	404	9,414.25
Jan., 1948	383	8,605.90
Feb.	204	4,857.50
March	126	2,468.80
April	172	4,190.00
May	146	3,507.55
June	165	4,413.55
July	173	4,410.90
Aug.	162	4,694.00

2,714 \$66,090.95

This summary does not include the fines assessed in 113 pollution cases, the amount of which is \$12,150.00.

Lt. Yvonne B. Wendell Arrives in Philippines

Among the arrivals of the U. S. Army Transport General Brewster, which recently docked in Manila, Philippines was First Lieutenant Yvonne B. Wendell, of Rockport, who was assigned for duty as general duty nurse with the 10th General Hospital (Philippine Scouts) stationed at Fort William McKinley, it was announced by the Public Information Office, Headquarters, Philippines Command in Manila.

A graduate of Rockport High School and Corpus Christi School of Nursing, Lieutenant Wendell entered the Army Nurse Corps in March 1945 at Fort Sam Houston. She served in Korea with the U. S. Army forces prior to her assignment to the Philippines last November.

Lieutenant Wendell is the sister of Mrs. Ernest W. Jones of Fulton.

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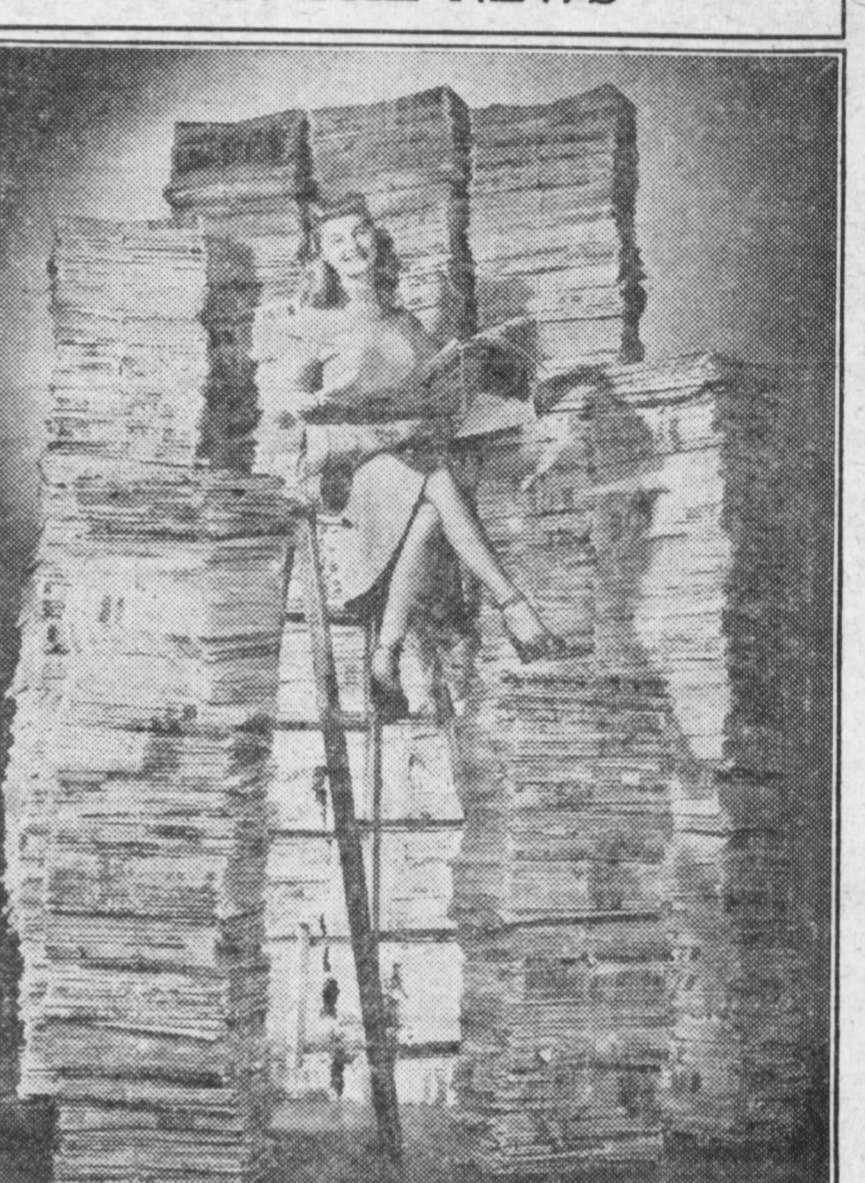
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IN THE NEWS



Chevrolet's biggest newspaper advertising campaign will use 5,972 dailies and weeklies to announce new models January 22. Dwarfing Toni Banish, here's what 5,972 newspapers look like, each representing an individual publication.

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Dept. of Public Safety Seeks Recruit-Patrolmen

According to Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr., director, Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, an examination for Recruit-Patrolmen will be given in the several patrol district offices over Texas, in February, 1949.

Chief W. J. Elliott, Texas Highway Patrol, Austin, Texas, states that the qualifications for these Recruit-Patrolmen positions are: Must be between 21 and 35 years of age; must be at least 5'8" tall, without shoes, and must weigh not less than two pounds per inch of height and not more than three and one-half; must be of excellent moral character; must be able to pass the rigid physical examination; must have a high school education or equivalent; and must

have been a resident Texas for one year or more prior to filing application.

This final exam is given to fill existing vacancies and to bring the patrol to exact full strength. Several hundred applications are now on and Elliott states he will be glad to hear from those seeking this work and having the necessary qualifications.

Applications will be received until Jan. 24, 1949 for positions.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Smith of Bay City were wee visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pierson Raymond.

Mrs. Simon Lee on left for her home in Shiner, Wednesday afternoon when father is seriously ill.

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FOLGER'S Drip Regular, Pulverized
Coffee, pound can 50c

CREAMY
Crustene, lb. carton 25c, 3 lb. 75c

FAULTLESS
Starch, 6-oz pkg. 5c, 12-oz pkg. 10c

RED & WHITE GRAPEFRUIT
Juice, 2 No. 2 cans 15c

PURE IMPERIAL CANE
Sugar, 5 pound bag 41c

Spry, 3 pound can 96c

Oxydol, Rinso, S. Suds, 1ge pkg. 28c

RED & WHITE PURE TOMATO
Catsup, 14-oz bottle 19c

OUR VALUE
Tomatoes, No. 2 can 10c

SWIFT'S ALLSWEET
Margarine, pound 35c

SWIFT SILVERLEAF — It's Pure
Lard, 1 pound carton 21c

SWIFT'S PREMIUM
Bacon sliced, lb. 67c

DUTCH KITCHEN SLICED (on arrival) lb. 45c
SWIFT'S ORIOLE
Bacon, sliced, lb. 55c

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Oleo, plain, 1 pound 30c

Soap, Trend, 2 for 32c

MUSSELMANS
Apples, "Pie" 30-oz jar 35c

I.G.A.
Orange Juice, 2 cans 25c

Pinto Beans, 1 pound 10c

NATIONAL
Corn Beef can 41c

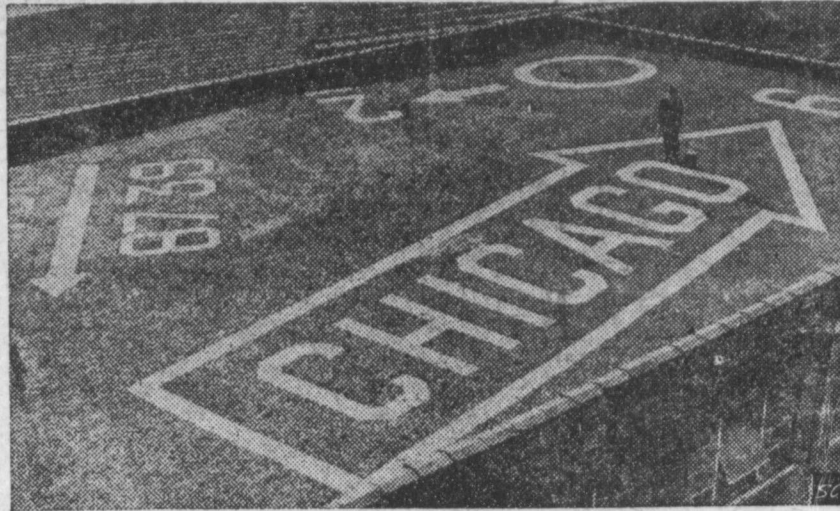
Cabbage, 1 pound 3c

YELLOW
Onions, 1 pound 5c

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Aid Private Pilots



Air markers like these will be seen by 30,000 private pilots who fly every month over Chicago, as result of program launched by Martin-Senour paint company and Civil Aeronautics Administration. Above, William M. Stuart, president of paint company, examines sign atop own plant. Directional marker above is first of 50 similar aids to private pilots to be completed within next few months.

Along The Waterfront

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weighed about 115 pounds. The largest trout tipped the scales at 4 pounds. The fish were caught on live shrimp.

Robert Eatner and party of three of San Antonio fished with Herb Mills Saturday and caught 40 fish which included redfish, drum and sheepshead.

Sunday Leon Dennis and a Mr. Wilkie of San Antonio went out from Mills Wharf and brought in a 6-pound red, 4-pound trout and about 15 smaller fish.

Several shrimpers have been hauled out during the past few weeks for repair. The Capt. A. C. Glass, 53-foot shrimper, and the WBJ, 51-foot boat, both belonging to Bill Johnson, have been hauled out for repair. The M.P., belonging to George Godfrey of Aransas Pass, was hauled out at the Rice Boat Yard.

The Shamrock, 30-foot shrimper belonging to the Jackson Sea Food Company, was hauled out recently. The Barbara, another shrimper belonging to Bill Johnson, was put back in the water last week.

Other boats undergoing repair at the boat yard are the Harco-40, owned by Sid Richardson; Emma C, 26-footer owned by the Star Brand Cattle Co.; The Battaux, service boat belonging to Robert H. Ray Co. of Houston.

A 136-foot minesweeper belonging to Phillips Petroleum Co., will be completed this week. It has been converted into a seismograph boat. The Wesco, 50-footer owned by Western Shell Co. of Aransas Pass, was launched recently after repairs.

A 23-foot fishing boat powered with a 140 h.p. engine and constructed from marine plywood, will soon be completed and on display at the Rice Boat Yard.

Just to prove that this is a lull and not a common occurrence where fishing is concerned at Rockport, we will quote an article which appeared in the Texas Parade, magazine sponsored by the Texas Good Roads Association:

"Jones from Ohio had just returned from a winter fishing expedition at Rockport and was staying with friends in Fort Worth. We heard him say: 'I never in my life saw anything like it! Fish everywhere! Everybody seemed to be catching 'em. Such crowds! You could hardly find a spot to stand on.'

"It was a clear day with a— what do you call it—a norther blowing. Seems like the trout come to the deep, protected water of the turning basin when a cold north wind blows. I was using a casting rod with a cork and live shrimp for bait. For a while I got a strike almost every time I threw out. One trout weighed three pounds. He put a horseshoe curve into my rod. Well, I came out with twelve nice trout, and it looked to me like everybody there had a string of fish. Believe me, my idea of winter fun is trout fishing at Rockport, Texas."

Sanscrit was the ancient sacred language of the learned Hindus.

A knot is a unit of speed equal to one nautical mile, or 6,080 feet.

Aaron Burr was vice President of the U. S. when he killed Alexander Hamilton in a duel.

H. E. Bahr

Notary Public

INCOME TAX SERVICE

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PHONE 227

Mass Chest 7-ray

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have early cases of tuberculosis to take advantage of treatment while a cure is still possible. This survey is financed by taxes which you have already paid. No one will ever know the results of your X-ray except yourself and the doctor whom you wish to have notified.

These chest X-rays will show, in addition to tuberculosis, other conditions found in the chest such as cancer of the lungs, lung abscess, as well as various types of heart diseases. The Health Dept. is planning to repeat this program at yearly intervals if possible. By this measure they hope to stamp out tuberculosis entirely.

Early tuberculosis produces no symptoms whatever and may continue for as long as a year or more before there is any evidence of disease to the patient. Only by a yearly X-ray of the chest can one feel confident that he does not have at least an early case of tuberculosis. He may transmit the disease to many other persons before he is aware that he is sick himself.

This X-ray would cost approximately \$10 if taken at your own expense.

The Rockport school buses will make their regular routes at 9:30 Friday morning to pick up those who need transportation to town for the X-ray. The return trip will be made at 1 o'clock and those desiring to go home on the buses are asked to be at the vacant lot next to Dr. Elliot's office. Those who cannot arrange to come at this time but will need transportation should contact D. R. Simmons, T. C. Kelly or Hugh Morrison who will see that they have transportation into town.

The Lions Club at Fulton has arranged for several cars to be used on the three days of the clinic. The school bus will be available part of the time if needed. Parties needing transportation in that area should contact Zeph Rouquette, A. F. Dervage or Walter Heldenfels.

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FOR RENT—New 2-room furnished apartment with bath, \$55 per month. Utilities paid. Las Castas. The pink cottages on Highway 35. ctf

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FOR RENT OR LEASE—20x60 Quonset building, on Highway 35, Rockport. Suitable for warehouse or business. For details phone Aransas Pass 388. ctf

FOR SALE—New 5-room house, front porch and screened back porch. Lights, water, gas and phone. Furnished. On half block of land. Located two blocks from beach at Fulton, \$6,950.00. Phone 3701. Coleman Pady, Fulton, Texas. P. O. Box 6. ctf

FOR SALE: 4 lots, north of Fulton. Phone 3701. ctf

FOR SALE: 2-room cabin to be moved. Ask for Mrs. Schwager at Rockport Inn. Phone 3721. ctf

FOR SALE—Vacant lots opposite Yacht Basin, north of Hinton's Apartments. 48-ft. front on Austin St. Write box 402, Rockport or phone 464. ctf

FOR SALE—1941 Ford Tudor. Good motor, new radiator, tires and battery good. Chester Johnson Motors. ctf

FOR SALE—Choice residential lots, north end of town on Wood Street. Bob Ayers, C. A. Duck residence. p38

FOR SALE—20 ft. cabin fishing boat, cheap, \$475.00. 1936 Pontiac 6-cylinder motor, good condition. Tom Brown, phone 519. p38

FOR SALE—1 Delta 10' table saw; 1 Delta 14' band saw; 1 Craftsman jointer; 1 disc sander. J. M. Cowan, north highway 35, next to Freds Barbecue. p38

PUPPIES FOR SALE—Boston Bull watch dogs. W. H. Dakin Shoe Shop. p38

Did You Know?

- Mon Carlo is in the principality Monaco.
- San Morse invented the electrilegraph.
- Dige from the earth to the sun is 897,400 miles.
- The diesel engine was invented in 1900.
- Mercury is used on the back of glass to make a mirror.
- Numismatics is the science of dealing with coins and medals.

Report of Condition of The First National Bank

of Rockport, Texas, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Decer 31, 1948, published in response to call made by Comptroller of Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Cashances with other banks, including reserve balance, cash items in process of collection	558,183.79
U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	640,626.22
Obilpns of States and political subdivisions	120,258.63
Corpe stocks (including \$2,250.00 stock of Federal reserve bank)	2,250.00
Loand discounts (including \$137.85 overdrafts)	134,210.51
Baremisses owned \$3,500.00	
nture and fixtures \$1,400.00	4,900.00
Resate owned other than bank premises	1.00
Total Assets	\$1,460,430.15
LIABILITIES	
Demadeposits of individuals, partnerships, and cations	\$1,120,111.80
Depost U. S. Government (including postal savings)	26,246.32
Depost States and political subdivisions	212,145.34
Other sits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	3,051.94
Toedeposits	\$1,361,555.40
Total liabilities	\$1,361,555.40
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital:	
Con stock, total par \$25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	55,000.00
Undivordfits	18,874.75
Total Capital Accounts	98,874.75
Total liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$1,460,430.15
MEMORANDA	
Assetsaged or assigned to secure liabilities and for ourposes	\$ 316,000.00
STAT TEXAS, County of Aransas, ss:	
I, Les H. Sorenson Jr., cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnwear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowland belief.	
JAMES H. SORENSON, Cashier.	
Correstest: F. W. HELDENFELS, A. C. GLASS, FRED A. BRACHT, Directors.	
S to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January, 1949.	
(see) CORINNE ZAWADZKI, Notary Public.	

Annual FOODCRAFT BONUS SALE



- SPECIALS FOR DAY THRU WEDNESDAY Jan. 7-12
- ERIAL PURE CANE **gar, 5 lb. bag 43c**
- RTS DELIGHT HALVES **aches, No. 2 1/2 can 26c**
- RE-PI-PAK **erries, No. 2 can 25c**
- BY'S TOMATO **rice, 2 No. 300 cans for 19c**
- XWELL HOUSE — Drip, Regular and Glass Maker **offee, 1 lb. can 52c**
- A BIRD (White and Dark Meat) **una Flakes, No. 1/2 can 25c**
- ACON CHINOOK **almon, No. 1/2 can 32c**
- USTENE **hortening, 3 lb. pkg. 79c**
- ANNER **orned Beef, 12-oz can 41c**
- IGHT CRUST **Flour, 5 lb. box 41c**
- IBBY'S **Fruit Cocktail, No. 2 1/2 can 39c**
- Pet Milk, tall can 14c**



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