

## C of C Banquet Held Tuesday Night at Woman's Club

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet was held at the Woman's Club Tuesday night with approximately 140 guests present. Mrs. Mary Juergens, secretary, introduced the new president, Tom Roper, who in turn introduced the new directors and officers of the group.

Members who joined in the recent drive for recruits, and the new members were special guests of the chamber.

Mrs. Juergens pointed out that there were now 172 paid memberships, and said that this was an unusually high average for so small a community.

Mrs. Charles A. Roe, Sr., and her group were thanked for the beautiful decorations which they had provided.

The Easter theme prevailed. The background was a spring time garden with flowering fruit trees and palms, festoons of moss and box hedges of calla lilies and vari-colored tulips. Colored lights converted this garden into a veritable fairyland. The speaker's table was laid in green with skirt of yellow and green net, and centered with an arrangement of tulips. Comador leaves outlined the table and yellow tapers embedded in Easter nests shed a soft glow over the scene, which was further illumined by the light of pastel tapers in Easter nests on the individual tables. The decorating committee was composed of Mrs. Charles A. Roe, Sr., chairman, Mrs. Lois Rozzell, Mrs. H. F. Elliot, Mrs. Seth Steele, Mrs. Ellis L. Clark and Mrs. M. A. Cannon.

Entertainment was provided by the Tidal Flats, a barbershop quartet from Corpus Christi. They presented a varied and enjoyable program of harmony.

The barbecued chicken dinner was served by members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Happy days are here again, according to Curley Floyd, who says that the flats between his place and Henshaw's Pier have been paying off in a big way this week. Monday Mr. and Mrs. Charley Shirey (originally from Ft. Worth, but now good citizens of Rockport) fished these flats and brought in 48 big trout. The following day (Tuesday) they did pretty well, also. They strung 38 trout that weighed 78 pounds, and one of the bunch weighed 7½. Not satisfied with that, they caught a dozen in the same area Wednesday, then moved to Fulton, where they fished the rest of the day. Evidently Fulton wasn't too good, for this morning they were back on the flats by Curley's place, and by 9:30 had ten that would weigh up to five pounds. At this writing, because they weren't biting fast enough, they had moved over to Copano.

Curly caught 4 trout Tuesday, one of which weighed 7 pounds. Wednesday he caught 38 pounds—one of them was a 5-pounder.

Morrison's said that anglers were catching some trout in the basin at night.

Mills Wharf reported some catches. Wednesday Leo Brand from Houston, fishing with Harry Mills, strung 61; P. Long, also of Houston, fished with Jack Lawler and caught 36. Brand had fished the day before with Harry, and caught 31.

Most of the charter boats around the basin haven't been out.

House Bill 169, the measure sponsored by the Valley Sportsmen's Club to establish minimum size limits on fish caught in the Laguna in Cameron, Willacy and Kenedy Counties, has been favorably reported out of the Senate Game and Fish Committee.

The measure already has been passed by the House and Sen. Rogers Kelley said he hoped to (Continued on Page 8)

## County Agent Schedules 4H Meeting Here

County Agent D. P. Pawlik, of Sinton, who has San Patricio and Aransas Counties, announced today that there would be a meeting on Tuesday night, April 5, in the Aransas County Court House, when an attempt will be made to form a 4-H Club in this area. All young people between the ages of nine and twenty-one are urged to attend and bring their parents and friends.

## 10 In Aransas Spelling Contest

Ten elementary and junior high school students will take part in a county-wide spelling bee April 18 to determine Aransas County's entry in the South Texas Spelling Bee, April 30.

Aransas County Junior High School students who will participate are Hayes Warden, Brenda Mundine, Peggy Jones, Martha Jan Schoonover, Mary Lucille Jackson and Mary Martha Shivers. Rockport Elementary School students who will compete are Marcia Wetzel, Maxine Clinton, Mary Jane Benningfield and Johnny Keith.

The Corpus Christi Caller-Times is sponsoring the South Texas Spelling Bee, the winner of which entered in the national in Washington.

## School and City Elections Slated In Early April

Three elections will be held during the coming week.

In the city council race, Colonel James W. Porter, cashier of the First State Bank of Aransas Pass, and a resident of Precinct One in Rockport, is running for the city council position left open by the expiration of the term of Charlie Garrett, who did not refile. A. H. Staffa is running for the same position.

In Precinct Two, where Roy Rogero's term expires, Rogero has re-filed for the place. His opponent is A. O. Burton.

The election will be held on Tuesday, April 5 at the city hall. Absentee balloting ends April 2.

Election of County School Trustees and Independent School District board members will take place on Saturday, April 2.

Two places will be open this year on the Independent School District Board, those of Dr. H. F. Elliot and A. F. Dervage. Dervage, after nearly fifteen years on the board is retiring.

To replace Dervage, both Matt Scott and J. R. DeForest have filed from Fulton.

Dr. H. F. Elliot re-filed, and Ran Wilde got his application in at the last minute for the same position.

Three places are open on the county board, those for Precinct Two, now held by Dick Fox, for Precinct Three, now held by Arthur Bracht, and for county trustee at large, now held by Fred Cloberdants.

Fox, Bracht, and Cloberdants have all re-filed.

Everybody can vote on every candidate, but on the Independent School District Board, in the final windup, there will only be one elected from Rockport and one from Fulton. There cannot be two from either place.

Voting places are: Precincts 1 and 2, Rockport Elementary School; Precinct 3, Fulton School; Precinct 4, Concession Hall, Lamar.

## Sunrise Service To Be Held At Yacht Basin

The Sunrise Easter Service at the Yacht Basin, an annual event sponsored by the Council of Church Women, will take place at 6:00 a.m. Sunday, April 10th. Rev. Dana Green, pastor of the Methodist Church will deliver the Easter message and special music will be presented by a choir composed of members from the participating churches.

Mrs. Frances Barnhart is directing the choir, accompanied by Mrs. Neva Sorenson.

Ministers of the various churches will also participate in the service.

The public is invited to attend this impressive service.

## General Motors Group Cancels Rockport Plans

The General Motors Acceptance Corporation outing planned for May 5 and 6 has been canceled, according to Mrs. Mary Juergens, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who has received the following letter from S. C. Prime, dealers-relations manager, whose office is in San Antonio:

The proposed outing of our male employees at Rockport on the 5th and 6th of May has been cancelled due to our inability to make overall satisfactory arrangements. I am hopeful that sometime in the future such an outing can be scheduled, as I feel certain that we would enjoy a visit to Rockport.

I appreciate very much your help in trying to line up the outing, and I want to thank you for the cooperation shown me during my visit last week.

Very truly yours,  
S. C. PRIME  
Dealers-Relation Mgr.

## Savings Bond Sales Good In Aransas County, Says Fred Bracht

Savings bond sales in Aransas County have been excellent, said Fred Bracht, local chairman. A total of \$16,880 worth were sold in February, making a cumulative total for the year of \$26,878. It will be remembered that Aransas County far exceeded its quota in 1954.

## "The Toast of the Coast"



## Playground Center of the Gulf Coast ROCKPORT and FULTON, TEXAS

The Chamber of Commerce has just completed a new folder advertising the area, and the illustration at the front page. Mrs. M. K. Bennett, the former Miss Alma Ratliff, was winner of the Miss Aransas County title two years ago, and makes a mighty attractive girl for the cover. The folder is printed in brown ink, on cream colored paper on the outside, in black ink on blue paper inside, and contains a map of the fishing area around Rockport and Fulton, directions on how to get here, and scenes showing the various tourist attractions here. Those interested in seeing it may obtain copies from Mrs. Mary Juergens, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. The folder was printed by The Pilot.

## San Antonio Lawyer Commends Committee On Stand On Site For New County Courthouse

T. H. Ridgeway, a San Antonio attorney, who has been following the progress of the courthouse, wrote Judge John Wendell this week, reviewing the situation, and commending the stand taken by the site committee appointed to consider the choice of a site for the new building.

Ridgeway, who is a property owner in the county, feels that the best interests of the county would be advanced by construction of the new courthouse on ground now occupied by the present building, and goes on to point out some of the inadequacies of the set-up now existing.

Because of the interest evinced by citizens and property owners in the problem, Ridgeway's letter is published below:

Hon. John Wendell, County Judge Rockport, Texas.

I am a property owner and tax payer and a part time resident of Rockport, and have been keeping up with the discussions concerning the construction of a new courthouse for Aransas County. I have practiced law 56 years and have been in a great many courthouses over the country, and have some idea as to the present day needs of a courthouse. I certainly indorse the plan to demolish the old courthouse and to erect a new modern courthouse on the site of the old one. I would recommend a fire-proof building with adequate fire-proof vaults for records. In the event of a fire now the chances are that the deed records would be destroyed or mutilated and it would be impossible to replace most of them. This would also be true of the Probate and District Court records and other important

records. Property owners would suffer the loss of the records of their land titles which would cost them far more to replace than the increase in their taxes occasioned by the construction of a new modern fireproof courthouse. The new courthouse will likely be the courthouse of Aransas County for the next 50 or 75 years. Therefore, not only the present needs for a new courthouse must be taken into consideration, but the needs for the next 50 or 75 years must be considered. Since most large tracts of land are being subdivided and sold off in smaller tracts, there are more transfers to be recorded which means more records and the need of more space to properly keep them. Space that would be sufficient now would likely be inadequate ten years from now.

Strangers form conclusions, favorable or unfavorable, about a community and its citizens more quickly by the kind of school houses and the kind of courthouse the community maintains than by any other thing they may see in the community.

I notice from the account of the courthouse meetings in The Rockport Pilot of March 24, that 75 per cent of the property in Aransas (Continued on Page 8)

## Beauty Prize Goes To Yolanda Scorza

Aransas County High School Student Awarded Title of Miss Aransas County On Unanimous Decision By Four Judges of the Contest

Miss Yolanda Scorza, 17, Aransas County High School student, was awarded the title of Miss Aransas County by a unanimous decision of the four judges whose task it was to pick a beauty to represent the area at various Texas festivals during the year.

Miss Scorza formerly lived in San Antonio, where she was a student at St. Mary Magdalen. She came here with her parents about a year and a half ago, and lives at Estes.

Her hobbies are swimming and singing, and she appeared in the production of Faust at Corpus Christi recently, as a member of the ensemble.

Her mother, Mrs. Elain Scorza is a singer; her father, O. M. Scorza, is a mural painter, having done the murals in the Driscoll Hotel at Corpus Christi some years ago. He also is a scenic artist for the opera in San Antonio and Dallas.

The contest was held last Thursday night in the high school auditorium, with Alec Scott as master of ceremonies, Mrs. Mary Juergens, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, in charge of the program, Judge John Wendell, Mayor Seth H. Steele, Mrs. Ellis L. Clark, and J. D. Griggs formed the panel of judges.

On the first round Sally Fields, Diane Brown, Billie Mitchell, Jean Mullinax and Gloria Dye were eliminated. Of the five girls who then returned to the stage, the judges excused three more, Tanya McElwee, Joy Roe, and Ida Belle Batson, leaving the decision between Yolanda and Ann Stephens.

After considerable thought, they unanimously awarded the title to Miss Scorza.

As part of her awards, she receives a bathing suit, beach robe and high heeled shoes of her choice, given by the Chamber of Commerce, and a dress donated by Mrs. Byron Bushart.

The winner of the contest will represent Aransas County at affairs like the Aransas Pass Shrimpporee, Buccaneer Days at Corpus Christi, the Dallas Sports Show, and other Texas festivals.

Girls were judged on figure, beauty, posture, grooming, and personality.

DEL MAR GRILL HAS VISITORS FROM 27 STATES

Sol Silverman, down at the Del Mar Grill, has been keeping a card index of the visitors from out of town. A recent check disclosed the fact that, since January 1 he has had guests from 27 states other than Texas, and from at least three foreign countries.

The states represented in his file include California, Louisiana, Ohio, Minnesota, Oregon, Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, South Dakota, Indiana, Illinois, New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Washington, West Virginia and Kentucky.

Only two foreign countries, Mexico and Canada were represented until recently. Then, last Saturday and Sunday one of the Rice Institute biology classes, under the leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Roy V. Talmadge, visited here, and in that group was one student from Puerto Rico, Carlos J. Philleet, Jr.

From Texas, Sol has registered people hailing from 55 towns. These include Houston, San Antonio, Alice, New Braunfels, Beeville, Victoria, Lubbock, Mercedes, La Marque, Taft, Bishop, Robstown, Sinton, Pecos, Crystal City, Ingleside, Port Aransas, Refugio, Benavides, Kennedy, Galena Park, Pharr, Prairie Lee, Yorktown, Ft. Worth, Dallas, Kingsville, Grandview, Harlingen, Tulita, Bismarck, McAllen, Mathis, Seguin, Portland, Whitmore, Austin, Comfort, George West, Realitos, San Angelo, Rosenberg, Rel Rio, Luling, Galveston, Ingram, Placedo, Uvalde, Cisco, Bastrop, Yoakum, Sudan and Woodsboro.

## Youth Night Ball Club Planning Spring Program

The Youth Night Ball Club program will get underway about April 15, according to Elbert Mundine, who for years has been the mainspring of the movement.

Mundine said that he was trying to arrange it this year so that all boys under 16 who wanted to play hard ball this year would find a place on some team.

He expects to split candidates up into three age groups, 8 to 11, 12 to 14, and 15 and up, and says that anyone wishing to play should get in touch with him.

This year, Mundine said, the group hopes that individual merchants and organizations will sponsor some of the teams.

## New Pump Service Is Started Here

The Howard Pump Service has opened a repair service here this week. Mr. Howard has had over 30 years experience in caring for water well pumps and wells. The business is located at the corner of Concho and Highway 35.

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**Gentle and Refreshing Northers Is What They Used to Call Them**

As it begins to warm up after the freeze that has cost Texas many, many millions of dollars in crop losses, the words of Captain Robert Strachan, observer, published in the April 23, 1898, Aransas Pass Beacon, lose some of their force.

This Beacon, by the way, was published here, in the days when our citizens, desiring a deep water port, had renamed the town, originally known as Rockport, and were calling it Aransas Pass.

In a copyrighted article, Captain Strachan says:

"In the previous articles on the climatic surroundings of Rockport, which appeared in the Beacon on the 1st, 8th, and 15th instant, we carefully avoided alluding to the gentle and refreshing northers with which Rockport is occasionally visited in their season, during a short winter their violence and intensity being spent and subdued before reaching so far south, from the fact that the thermometer very seldom falls below the freezing point, although a norther may continue to blow for a period never exceeding three days with fine, clear, invigorating weather, the glass reading from 50 degrees during the day down to 40 degrees during the night; which the natives here consider cold weather; but which visitors, especially from a northern country with the glass at zero or below, find a congenial and enjoyable temperature. Snow seldom if ever falls, and this in the season of Rockport's mild winter, is the exodus of northern invalids and sports. As a matter of course the feathered tribe follow in the same train by natural instinct to come annually to this Chataqua of the Texas Gulf Coast, as retreat from the fury of the frigid elements.

"The hunter with dog and gun can find abundance of game of all sorts, either on shore or afloat, and those piscatorially inclined can find in the waters adjacent to Rockport abundance of all kinds of fish.

"Shell fish, from chonchs, clams, and cuttlefish of beautiful variegated colors; oysters, turtle, etc. Scale fish from minnows and perch to porpoise. Trout and tarpon of fine colored scale.

"Rockport with all its advantages, taking the precedence in comparison with Florida, may well be called the Chataqua of the South for travelers, invalids and sportsmen."

While one may disagree with Captain Strachan in his estimate of northers, and criticize his knowledge of natural history, as well as his grammar, there is no doubt whatever that he was an excellent member of whatever passed for the Chamber of Commerce in those days, and today would probably be a secretary of one of those estimable civic organizations.



**COTTON TOPPER**  
Ideal for wear throughout the spring and summer months, this short, loose fitting topper is a Dior adaptation with handsome turn-back cuffs and a three-button front. The nubby crash weave fabric is a new cotton coating by Luxloom and is featured in a wide variety of fashionable new shades.



**PLEASINGLY PLUMP**

Remember when it was considered all right to be pleasingly plump? No one ever gave a thought to his weight one way or the other. You never used the word "diet"—and, as for calories, who had ever heard of them? Today, granddaughter counts her calories as carefully as grandmother counted her butter and egg money. Remember?

The memory of a dignified service, conducted for its concern for its religious meaning, is a consolation to those who remain.



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<b>GREEN ONIONS</b>	2 bunches	<b>9c</b>
<b>42 Size AVOCADOS</b>	2 for	<b>17c</b>
<b>432 Size LEMONS</b>	dozen	<b>23c</b>
<b>Large Crisp LETTUCE</b>	head	<b>8c</b>
<b>Hunts Peach Halves</b>	2 1/2 can	<b>31c</b>
<b>Hunts SPINACH</b>	300 can	<b>12c</b>
<b>Del Monte PEAS</b>	303 can	<b>18c</b>
<b>LeGrande CORN</b>	303 can	<b>12c</b>
<b>Dinty Moore BEEF STEW</b>	1 1/2 lb.	<b>39c</b>
<b>Swift's Chopped Beef</b>	12 oz.	<b>29c</b>
<b>Chunk Starkist TUNA</b>	1/2 can	<b>33c</b>
<b>Rotel TOMATOES</b>	303 can	<b>12c</b>

<b>SUGAR</b>	5 Lbs.	<b>47c</b>
<b>FOLGER'S Coffee</b>	1 Pound	<b>91c</b>
<b>SHED'S Salad Dressing</b>	Quart	<b>45c</b>
<b>LIGHT CRUST Flour</b>	5 lbs.	<b>47c</b>

**GOOD YEARLING CHUCK** pound **Roast 35c**

**GOOD YEARLING CROWN** pound **Roast 39c**

**Loin Steak** Pound **59c**

**Good Yearling Liver** pound **35c**

<b>RIO OLEO</b>	lb.	<b>19c</b>
<b>FFV Cookies LEMON CREAMS</b>	box	<b>37c</b>
<b>Regular CAMAY</b>	4 bars	<b>28c</b>
<b>LUX LIQUID</b>	12 oz.	<b>37c</b>
<b>Charmin TISSUE</b>	3 rolls	<b>25c</b>
<b>Fresh Country EGGS</b>	doz.	<b>45c</b>

**TRY NEW JELL-O APPLE JELLO**  
A SENSATION FOR SALADS.  
3 for **25c**

**Good Brisket Stew** pound **19c**

**Korn Kist Sliced Bacon** Pound **42c**

**Snowdrift** 3 lbs. **69c**

**SNOWCROP FROZEN Cut Green Beans** 10 oz. **23c**

**SNOWCROP FROZEN Whole Okra** 10 oz. **26c**

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**NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS**  
Dr. J. E. Habluetzel, of Corpus Christi, who has been coming to Rockport for the past 10 years will be at the City Hall Saturday, April 2, to vaccinate dogs.  
Protection from rabies is vital to your family and neighbors, so please cooperate and bring your dog for vaccination. Cost of the vaccination this year will be \$2.50.  
Time from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, April 2, 1955

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### Butterfield Stage Made A Tough Trip Across Texas

Nearly 100 years ago the first Butterfield Mail crossed Colbert's Ferry, close to where the great Denison Dam now holds back the waters of Lake Texoma. Then the stage headed west at a fast lope, over a route obviously designed for livestock instead of passengers.

Outside of pauses for meals, team and driver changes, it never stopped. Passengers climbed aboard at St. Louis and rode it with no layovers, afraid if they dropped out for a rest, all places on the following stages might be so filled that they would have to lose five or six weeks.

Twenty-four days and 2700 miles later, they staggered out at San Francisco, \$200 and many pounds poorer than when they started. The Texas portion of the journey was a little over one fourth of the entire trip.

Past Sherman, then a little town of 600, went the stage, on to Diamond's Station, Gainsville (where breakfast was hastily swallowed), Davidson's Station, and Connolly's where a stop was made for supper. On the first trip there was only one passenger, Waterman Ormsby, a reporter on the New York Herald, along to write up the trip. "We had the first of a series of rough meals . . . and shortcake, baked on the coals."

From Connolly's to Jacksboro, 36 miles, there was only one stop. The latter place, then only a year old, had a dozen houses and 200 citizens.

Fort Belknap, reached after an allnight ride, had several houses and stores, a pool hall and a post office.

After Belknap came Franz's Station, then Smith's, and then, on the Clear Fork of the Brazos, the one at old Fort Phantom Hill, whose gaunt chimneys still jutted from the prairie, all that remained after fire destroyed the post.

Breakfast was at Abercrombie's Pass, and from here to Fort Chadbourne was 16 miles. While horses were sometimes used on the eastern portion of the trail, from Chadbourne the power was furnished by wiry Mexican mules as wild as hawks.

In Ormsby's case, the team destined for that part of the trip was wilder than most. They would rear, twist, whirl, wheel and balk, raised the devil in general, and the language of the mule skinner was unprintable.

From Fort Chadbourne the trail made one great westward sweep of nearly 500 miles across open, arid country of the plains, daring both Indians and drouth.

Between the head of the Concho and Horsehead Crossing on the Pecos, both sides of the road were strewn with bones of animals and men, telling a story of death from thirst.

However, Ormsby's stage made it all right, and at the crossing Capt. Henry Skillman, famous Texas frontiersman, took the reins for the long drag up the east side of the river, to Pope's Crossing near the New Mexico line.

From Pope's Crossing the trail swung west, passing through the same canyon in the Guadalupe as the present Carlsbad-El Paso highway, beneath El Capitan Peak. From there, Hueco Tanks and on into Franklin (as El Paso was called) — famous in those days for its onions, wine, and grapes.

This first stage made the trip in 1858. The following three years mail was carried to and from California over the route.

Then, in 1861, after outbreak of the Civil War, Congress authorized the postmaster general to discontinue the route. Ten days later the last stage from the West passed through Fort Chadbourne, and the final words were written to another colorful chapter of Texas history.

### GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

**ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Harry Carter  
Minister in Charge

Holy Communion and Sermon, first Sunday each month, at 7:30 p.m., other Sundays, Morning Prayer and Sermon at 9:00 a.m. Church School each Sunday at 10:15 a.m. Choir rehearsal is each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The Woman's Auxiliary meets the first Thursday at 3:30 p.m., and the Bishop's Committee on the second Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Fr. G. J. O'Doherty, Pastor  
Sunday Masses, 7 and 9; Holy Days same as Sundays; week-day Mass at 8; Friday night Novena devotions at 7:30; Confessions: Saturdays, Vigil before Holy Days and Thursdays before First Fridays, 4:30 to 6:00 and 7:30 to 8:30.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; preaching service, 10:45 a.m.; Training Union, 7 p.m.; prayer service, Wednesday at 8 p.m.; women meet every Thursday.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
B. R. THOMPSON

Bible class, 10 a.m.; morning worship, 10:50 a.m.; Sunday evening class, 6:30; Sunday evening worship, 7:20; Wednesday night service, 7:30; ladies Bible class, Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

**FULTON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. George Muriman

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; worship service, 10:45 a.m.; evening service, 7:30; mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FULTON**  
Rev. C. L. Stanley, Pastor

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; preaching service, 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday and Saturday night service at 7:30; BTU Sunday 6:30 p.m.; preaching service, 7:30 p.m.

**BETHEL ASSEMBLY**  
Rev. Lee Bateman, Pastor

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; regular service, 11 a.m.; evening service at 7:30, Tuesday night service at 7:30; C. A. service, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
A. Arnott Ward, Minister

Sunday School, 9:30; worship service, 11 a.m.; evening service, 7:30; men's meeting 1st Monday, 7:00; Pioneer Young People meet Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Senior Young People meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.; Women of the Church, third Thursday, 3 p.m.; Evening Circle, 2nd Monday at 7:30; Circle 1, 1st Thursday at 3; Circle 2, 1st Thursday at 3.

**METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Dana Green, Pastor

Sunday school, 9:30; morning worship, 11; evening worship, 7:30; Methodist Men, 2nd Thursday at 7:30; choir practice, Friday, 7:30; W.S.C.S., 1st and 4th Thursday, 3:00; fellowship dinner, 3rd Sunday at noon; young people's meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

**NORTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. W. C. Pearce, Pastor

Sunday school, 9:45; preaching service, 10:45; Training Union, 6:30 p.m.; preaching service, 7:30 p.m.; prayer service, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE**  
Aransas Pass

Sunday services, 11 a.m.; Wednesday evening service, 8:00. All are welcome.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Aransas Pass  
Geo. F. Dennis, Minister

Bible school, 9:45; morning worship, 10:50; evening worship, 7:30; prayer and Bible study, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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Sunday school and Bible class, 10:00 a.m.; Worship service, 11:00 a.m.

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**Pork Roast** Pound 35c

**Spare Ribs** Pound 39c

**BLUE PLATE Salal Dressing** Full Quart 39c

**TALL KORN Bacon** Pound 43c

**WISCONSIN Cheese** Pound 49<sup>c</sup>

**Kraft Dinner** Package 15<sup>c</sup>

Betty Crocker **Angel Food Cake Mix** 49c

Baker's Unsweetened **CHOCOLATE** 8 oz. 55c

New Pink **DREFT** large 28c

1 lb. 4 oz. size **SANI FLUSH** 23c

Franco American **MACARONI** No. 303 16c

Texas Tavern **FRIED BEANS** No. 303 15c

Campbell's **SCOTCH BROTH** 17c

Dinty Moore **STEW** 1 1/2 lb. 39c

Nabisco **CRACKERS** Lb. Box 25c

Harvest Inn **CORN** No. 303 2 for 25c

Libby's **PEAS and CARROTS** No. 303 20c

**PARKAY OLEO** Pound 29c

**SNOWDRIFT** lb. 33c

**BISQUICK** 40 oz. 48c

**PURE CANE Sugar** 5 Lbs. 47c

**BLACKEYED PEAS** 1 lb. pkg. 18c

Size 200 **KLEENEX** 16c

**MORTON SALTERS** 25c

Pure Pork Roll **SAUSAGE** 35c

**CHUCK ROAST** lb. 39c

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Shoulder **ROUND ROAST** lb. 45c

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OUR PAGE TWO GIRL SCOUTS



By Mrs. Ellis L. Clark

All Girl Scouts and Brownies should make plans to start delivery of Girl Scout cookies on Saturday, April 2. Girls will pick up their cookies for delivery from their leaders.

There will be a meeting of the Camp Planning Committee at the area director's office in Sinton on Friday, April 1 at 9:30 a. m.

Troop 53 of Aransas Pass will be seen on a television show from KVDO, Corpus Christi, on April 6 at 4:15.

The leader of this troop is Mrs. J. D. Cate and her assistant is Mrs. S. D. Howard.

Miss Oleda Schrottky, national Girl Scout field staff instructor, will be in Taft on April 25, to assist our Girl Scout Council in

building strong community relations.

In the past few years Miss Schrottky, dramatist, story teller, lecturer, author and humorist, has traveled all over the United States and has spoken before hundreds of men's and women's clubs.

A pioneer in the field of creative dramatics for children and one of the first to see educational values in children's theater, Miss Schrottky has trained thousands of Girl Scout leaders in planning and directing creative dramatic programs for children. She believes that taking part in plays and pageants helps children to express themselves and teaches them to cooperate with and understand others.

Before joining the Girl Scout organization, Miss Schrottky was an actress with the Provincetown Players in New York City, where she worked with such outstanding literary and theatre personalities as Ellen Glasgow, Robert Edmund Jones and Edna St. Vincent Millay. Her alma mater, Lawrence College, conferred an honorary M. A. degree upon her last June. She is a member of the American Education Association and of the American National Theatre and Academy and formerly taught speech and dramatics at Mount Holyoke College.

Miss Schrottky will present a special program for leaders from 8:30 to 5:30 on April 25. At 6:00 p. m. there will be a banquet at the school cafeteria. Reservations will have to be made in advance and the cost of the banquet will be \$1.50 per person. At 7:15 Miss Schrottky will talk and perform at the school auditorium for the girls.

Parents are urged to bring the girls to the program that night so that the leaders may attend the afternoon session and stay over for the banquet and evening session.

There will be no charge for either the afternoon leaders session or the evening session for the girls, parents and leaders.

However, troops should make plans as quickly as possible so that arrangements may be completed. The approximate number of leaders, girls and parents planning to attend these sessions and the number of dinner reservations should be turned in to Mrs. J. B. Jackson by the middle of April.

All Brownies planning to make the trip to San Antonio should meet at the Rockport Elementary School on Saturday, April 16 at 6:45 a. m. The time of departure is 7:00 a. m.

By Saturday, April 8 each Brownie or adult planning to make the trip should have placed in the hands of her troop leader her permission slip (to be used as the basis of registration) and the price of her bus fare.

It is important that this deadline be observed, since this date is the latest possible time that we can notify the Greyhound Company of the number going, so that they can arrange for the correct number of buses needed.

Each person registering by this date is assured of making the trip. Registrations coming later than this date will be accepted with the understanding that those persons will be able to make the trip if it is found that there is enough space available.

Refund of bus fare money will be made only in case of illness.

Any parent who has not received an information sheet concerning this trip may do so by contacting her daughter's leader.

The information sheet contains a schedule of bus departures and

arrivals, complete information as to plans for the day, what to wear, cost of the trip, what to bring, how to register and duties of adult advisers. There will be one adult adviser for each six girls.

This trip will be a new experience for most of the Brownies and it is hoped that as many as possible will take advantage of it.

Brownie Troop No. 36 met at the Fulton Lions Club building on March 24 at 3:30, under the leadership of Mrs. M. M. Owens and Mrs. Monte Rouquette.

The meeting opened with the calling of the roll and collection of dues after which the Brownie Promise was repeated.

Sandra Shipman served refreshments to the group assisted by her mother.

Continuing the nature study started last week, each girl gave a report on the leaves she had collected and a nature scrap book was started.

As an introduction to shell collecting, the second phase of this nature study, the girls hiked (singing) to the beach where they hunted shells and discussed the color, shape, etc., of their finds. It was decided to wash and clean the outstanding shells collected and mount them at the next meeting.

After hiking back to the Lions Club building the meeting was adjourned.

Guests for the day were Mrs.

Shipman, Darlene Rouquette and Linda Lee.

Members present were Sandra Shipman, Etta Fay Lee, Rosie Wolfram, Katherine Boleck, Pat Weber, Phyllis Cox, Sue Hackett, Barbara Owens, Mary Johnson, Becky Rouquette, and Tina McElwee.

Girl Scout Troop No. 3 met at the home of Mrs. Clark Wren, assistant leader, on March 24 at 4:00 p. m. for its regular meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Betty Mae Armstrong after which the roll was called and dues collected.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Bobbie Kitchens, after which the entire meeting was spent in discussing new and old business.

After the meeting adjourned, refreshments were served by hostesses Bonnie Johnson and Patti McMahan to Mrs. Wren and the following girls: Nancy Court, Betty Armstrong, Jerry Armstrong, Sondra Williams, Bobbie Kitchens, Robbie Boquet, Joy Hamblin, Mary Martha Shivers, Mary Lucille Jackson, Heather Wren, Linda Deason, Linda Mills, and Teresa Johnson.

Brownie Troop No. 43 met at the Fulton Lions Club building on Monday, March 28 for its regular meeting.

After a short business session each girl reported on the growth of the plant which she potted at the last meeting. More discussion was held on the care of the plants.

The work session was spent making egg trees. Using things ordinarily thrown away, the girls completed lovely centerpieces for the Easter table. Cottage cheese cartons were filled with sand, covered with foil, and centered with a small twig. Empty egg shells were then decorated with scraps of ribbons, sequins, rickrack braid, and paint. These decorated egg shells were then hung on the trees.

Carla Utley served refreshments to the leader, Mrs. F. L. McCord

and the following girls: Linda Lee, Lynn Campbell, Bobbie Taylor, Sallie Frances McCord, Florence Casterline, Darlene Mace and Darla Utley.

Girl Scout Troop No. 27 met at the home of Georgia Kresta for a business meeting on March 28 at 3:30 p. m.

Hostess for the day was Georgia Kresta assisted by her mother.

The meeting was called to order with the Girl Scout Promise and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Plans were made for group work on badges and for a weekend to be spent at the Girl Scout Little House with another troop.

A discussion was held as to how the girls might save money toward a trip on the Gulf Clipper in September.

Present at the meeting were Georgia Kresta, Mary Scott, Lajuan Spivey, Maria Benavidez, Sandra DeForest, and the leader, Mrs. Matt Scott.

The Girl Scout Little House was the meeting place for Troop No. 58 on Tuesday, March 29.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and the Brownie Promise. Adela Romela was flag bearer, Melanie Thidodeaux called the roll and Sherry Brundrett collected dues.

Gloria Schoonover, a new member, was invested in a short ceremony and each girl welcomed her into the troop with the Brownie handshake.

Troop numbers were given each girl to sew on her uniform.

The project for the day was making Easter baskets which will be used in the egg hunt being

planned for next week.

The meeting closed with the Brownie Smile Song.

Sherry Lynn Brundrett served refreshments to Mary Lou Johnson, Adela Romela, Gloria Schoonover, Sue Taylor, Melanie Thidodeaux, Mrs. Jack Taylor and Mrs. Jerald Brundrett.

Girl Scout Troop No. 26 met at the Girl Scout Little House on Tuesday, March 29 for its regular meeting under the leadership of Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc and Mrs. Ed Barnard.

Hostesses for the day were Martha Hanna and Maxine Clinton.

Roll was called by Martha Hanna and dues collected by Meceal Rivers.

Plans were made for the next meeting at which Frances LeBlanc, June Knippa, Barbara Barnard and Sue Armstrong were appointed to provide entertainment.

The troop voted to give \$5 in dues to the Girl Scout fund drive.

It was also decided that dues for the next few months would be saved to purchase a troop flag.

A simple flag ceremony was learned and practiced by the group.

After refreshments were served by the hostesses the troop played outdoor games.

Those present were Sue Armstrong, Barbara Barnard, Martha Hanna, Maxine Clinton, Frances LeBlanc, Patricia Zawadski, Meceal Rivers, Margaret Pena, Linda Clark, June Knippa, Marcia Wetzel and the leaders.

Girl Scout Troop No. 5 met at the Girl Scout Little House on March 25 for its regular meeting under the leadership of Mrs. Wal-

ter Stryker and Mrs. G. R. Rowe. Each patrol planned a stunt to entertain the other girls of the troop, prepared the setting and presented its performance.

The first group dramatized the story of "Peter Rabbit," using Dorothy Rowe, Brenda Block, Pamela Landgraaf, Sherrilynn Garrett and one guest, Gary Stryker. "Let Me Go Lover," was sung by Brenda Block and Pamela Landgraaf.

A play, "The Magic Story," was presented by Doryace Wilhelm, Betty Stryker, Carolyn Washington and Ronnie Lassiter.

Robbie Melton, Mary Ann Barber and Sherry Lee McElwee recited poems and "Till I Waltz Again With You" was sung by Robbie Melton and Mary Ann Barber.

Erie Sue Eller asked the group to answer a number of riddles and the program was completed with a quiz session conducted by Carol Kinsel, Lynda Jo Dowdy and Phyllis Meador.

ROGER ERNST

Roger Ernst, 74, native of Brookline, Mass., died at 7:15 p. m. Tuesday in a local tourist court. He was a retired lawyer and winter resident of Rockport.

Ernst and his wife had been visiting here for the past two and one-half weeks on his fourth annual bird watching expedition to South Texas. He was visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hagar. Mrs. Hagar is a prominent ornithologist.

Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Ruth Ernst of Rockport and Brookline.

The body was at Cage-Marshall Funeral Home, Aransas Pass, until 9 a. m. Thursday when it was sent to Brookline for burial.

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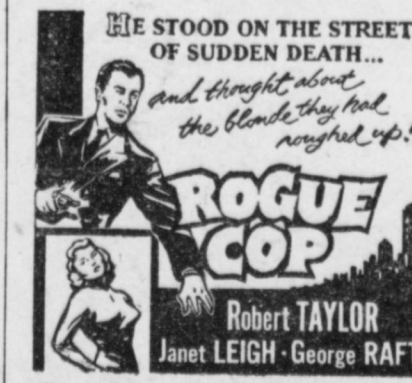
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MRS. MATTIE HILL

Mrs. Mattie Hill, 88, childhood resident of Rockport, died at 9:25 a. m. Sunday at her home in San Antonio.

She is survived by four daughters, Miss Ruth Hill and Mrs. Agnes Bowley of San Antonio, Mrs. Norman Smith of Mercedes and Mrs. Melva Bluhm of Austwell; a son, James Hill of San Antonio, and a sister Mrs. Lydia Brundrett of Rockport.

Funeral services were at 10 a. m. Wednesday in the First Presbyterian Church of Rockport with the Rev. Arnold Ward, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rockport Cemetery under the direction of Cage-Marshall Funeral Home of Rockport.

TEXAS IN REVIEW

After trails and tribulations of hauling water for several years, Aspermont, Texas, now has a good water supply.

How the community went about getting this water supply will be featured next week on the Humble Company's TV program, Texas in Review.

Among other features on the program will be films of outboard motorboat races in Corpus Christi; a special Easter film featuring the TSCW choir; a visit to the Pittsburgh Pirates spring baseball camp at Huntsville and unusual kites being flown in San Antonio.

Monday, April 4, Texas in Review can be seen on KTRH-TV, Houston, 7:00 p.m.; WOAI-TV, San Antonio, 10:15 p.m.; and KVDO-TV, Corpus Christi, 9:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, April 5, the program appears on KTBC-TV, Austin, 8:30 p.m.

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Frank Baird Completes Boot Camp In April

Frank Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baird, completes his boot camp training April 2. After visiting relatives in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Rockport, he will be assigned sea duty as a fireman.

DISABILITY "FREEZE" FOR SOCIAL SECURITY

Under the disability provisions of the Social Security Act, the earnings account of a disabled person may be frozen to protect his future benefit rights.

The law does not provide for the payment of disability insurance, according to H. M. Cleveland, District Manager of the Social Security Administration in Corpus Christi. "No benefits are payable before age 65 or death," he said, "but the benefit amount of a disabled person will not be reduced by including years in which he was unable to work in figuring his average earnings."

To qualify for the disability freeze, a disabled person must have worked under social security for at least five years during the ten years just before the disability began. In addition, there must have been at least one and a half years of work during the three years just before the disability began.

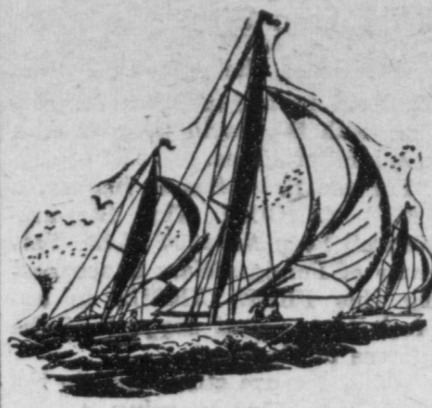
Any worker who meets those employment requirements is eligible for the disability freeze if he becomes unable to work because of sickness or accident, Cleveland reported. The disability must have lasted for at least six months and be expected to continue indefinitely.

"This is the first year of the disability provisions," says Cleveland, "but under the law, we can go back as far as October, 1941 to freeze an account. Some older workers, who are now receiving the retirement insurance, can benefit by a recalculation of the amount of their payments if they had a period of disability before they reached age 65."

Persons who believe they can qualify for the disability freeze should bet in touch with the Social Security Administration, 424 Taylor Street, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mrs. D. S. Leftwich, of Brownsville, left Monday after spending a week in the Jack Baird home. While here she visited friends in Corpus Christi and San Antonio. The Bairds and Leftwichs were neighbors in Brownsville.

Mrs. Daisy Mae Burns of Corpus Christi spent several days in the home of her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baird, during the revival held this month by the Rev. N. Ray Harrell.



So You're a Sailor

(This is part of a course in the history of the sea and the development of seamanship made available to The Pilot through the courtesy of the Coast Guard Auxiliary of Corpus Christi, and will be followed by other installments).

We have seen the beginning of navigation in earlier articles of this series: the man who hit the dinosaur, and Noah and his Ark. Now we come to the time when man first began to cast his eyes at the sea beyond which he knew of no land.

Serious attempts to cross the Atlantic to see what was on the other side began about 500 years ago, when Columbus ran into our coast while sailing west to find a better sea route to India. Tales of the wealth to be had for the picking in America (named for Amerigo Vespucci, another explorer) started the rush across the Atlantic. In less than one hundred years there were fleets of sailing ships on the high seas, loaded down with treasure for Spain.

Two Englishmen, Sir Francis Drake and Sir Henry Morgan, found the Spainard's loot a good excuse to take to burglary at sea, and started a fad for piracy among persons of high and low estate. Buccaneers, Brethren of the Main, Freebooters, and Corsairs, as various pirates styled themselves, swept the Ten Commandments off the seas. A few who attained historical distinction were Blackbeard, Captain Kidd, Dixie Bull, Anne Bonney (a lady pirate) and Jean Lafitte, whose brisk business in and around the Gulf of Mexico was ended by Coast Guard guns in 1819.

Then came less bloody, more pioneering eras of the seas... the rich heyday of American commerce... China clipper sweeping down the Atlantic and across the Pacific for trade with the Orient... Whaling days before petroleum and steel, when whale oil was used in lamps and whalebone in corsets. The clippers of the mid-1800's were the most beautiful and fastest vessels ever

to cross the oceans under sail.

They were American in design and construction and the envy of the world. The clipper ship Lightning, built by Donald McKay of Boston about 1852, actually made a full day's run at better than 18 knots—436 nautical miles in 24 hours. Not for thirty years could a steam vessel equal her record. The Lightning, 243 feet overall from knighthead to taffrail and 44 feet in beam, cost about \$140,000, as compared with \$70 million for the present queen of the sea, the S.S. United States.

The names of the old vessels were full of the spindrift of the sea: Courier, Star of Empire, Chariot of Fame, Stag Hound, Flying Cloud, Sovereign of the Seas, and the greatest of them all—the largest ship in the world 100 years ago—the Great Republic.

On the oceans of today sails are rarely seen and combinations of sails and oars or sail and steam are gone forever. Diesel motor ships are in strong competition with steam ships, and the day of atomic ship propulsion is actually here.

There are hundred's of types of modern vessels, and like everything nowadays they are highly specialized. Liners are designed for speed and luxurious comfort. Their speed—minus the luxury—makes them valuable as troop transports in case of war. Freighters are built from the keel up to haul a ton of cargo at the lowest possible cost per mile. Tankers for liquid cargo have every device aboard to insure safety, and actually have the best safety record of any type. Refrigerator ships make possible the world-wide shipment of perishables that otherwise would never appear on our tables.

But fast, safe handling of overseas and coastal cargoes by these ships would not be possible without the work performed by fifteen types of even more specialized vessels—the ships of the United States Coast Guard. Waterways frequented by small boats and pleasure craft also are protected, marked and patrolled by boats of the Coast Guard.

Coast Guard ships from sleek, white ocean patrol vessels to hard-working buoy tenders and stubby harbor tugs are called "cutters". The word no longer has the lyrical meaning it originally did, when the Coast Guard manned fast schooners with leaden keels to keep them from capsizing when extra sail was crowded on during a chase. Those slight ships really "cut" through the water. Today, Coast Guard cutters of 83 feet and over officially are "cutters", although some of them may not look the part. Lightships and Mississippi River work boats, for instance, are Coast Guard types

more useful than graceful.

Small boat skippers know the Coast Guard best for its search and rescue and patrol operations on lakes, bays, inlets and sounds. When a motor conks out or a black squall comes up, Semper Paratus, Always Ready, the Coast Guard motto, means safety to small boats in distress. Through the Coast Guard Auxiliary, however, boatmen often become the rescuers instead of the rescued. Auxiliary members give thousands of assists to stranded boatmen every year. And boatmen who can assist others generally know how to take care of themselves. Making boatmen into able boatmen is another way of saving lives and property on the water. It is the way—and the purpose—of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Mrs. Fred Christilles Entertains With Bridge

Mrs. Fred Christilles entertained with a bridge party, Friday afternoon, at which time three tables of players enjoyed her hospitality.

Included in the group were Mrs. Norman Emerick, Mrs. C. H. Whitely, Mrs. Curtis Utz, Mrs. E. W. Means, Mrs. Lois Rozzell, Mrs. Dick Denny, Mrs. A. L. Bachman, Mrs. J. T. Hord, Mrs. Charles Cleveland, Mrs. J. D. Griggs, Mrs. Earle Thomas and Mrs. Fred Hunt.

Colorful arrangements of spring flowers were in the living room. Mrs. Rozzell won the high score prize; Mrs. Griggs, low and Mrs. Means, bingo.

A dessert course was served.

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Advertisement for Chevrolet featuring a large illustration of a car seat and a smaller illustration of a car. Text: 'Put yourself in this seat. motoramic Chevrolet. COMPLETE and OFFICIAL figures show that again in 1954—for the 19th straight year—MORE PEOPLE BOUGHT CHEVROLETS THAN ANY OTHER CAR!'.



**E. R. BLAYLOCK ATTENDS LONE STAR SALES MEETING**

E. R. Blaylock, local distributor of Lone Star Beer with headquarters in Aransas Pass, was the guest of the Lone Star Brewing Company of San Antonio on Saturday and Sunday of last week.

With him as guests of the brewery were his wife, Mrs. E. R. Blaylock, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Blaylock, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Luna, of Sinton.

"The sales meeting was the greatest I have ever attended," said Mr. Blaylock. "Now I know that Lone Star made no mistake in increasing their production facilities from 720,000 to 900,000 barrels a year. We'll sell that increase in Lone Star in this year alone."

During the two day meeting distributors and their salesmen were informed of Lone Star plans for 1955. And the announcement was made of a substantial increase in advertising which will make use of radio, television, newspaper, and outdoor advertising.

Harry Jersig, genial president of the Lone Star Brewing Company, was host to the Lone Star representatives at a dinner-dance in their honor on Saturday night, and again at a luncheon on the beautiful brewery grounds Sunday afternoon.

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**QUEEN'S TREAT FOR IKE**—Marjorie Campbell, the nation's Cherry Pie Queen, delivers a delectable sample of her delightful art to the White House, where it is received on behalf of President Eisenhower by Homer Gruenther, administrative assistant. The 17-year-old Red Hook, N. Y., high school senior won the 23rd annual National Cherry Pie baking contest in competition at Chicago, Ill.

**Texas Leads Again With Free Circus**

Once more, the Lone Star State leads the parade of progress. This time with the world premier of a new kind of circus.

For the first time in history, a FREE CIRCUS! The Stewart-Wendell Post No. 3904 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is sponsoring this FREE CIRCUS in appreciation of past support of the citizens of Rockport.

While you are still asleep in the wee hours of the morning, a fleet of huge red trailer trucks will come thundering into Rockport. These mammoths of the road will bring the parphenalia of the Merchants Free Circus and Palace of Wonders to Rockport, Thursday, April 7.

The Palace of Wonders is not to be confused with a carnival. It boasts of a menagerie and a star studded cast of performers. Among the galaxy of stars you will see on the aerial trapeze, Mlle. Billie from Paris. You will thrill to the antics of Capt. Plunkett's trained animals. Capt. Plunkett is world famous for his presentation of Cookie, the TV chimpanzee. Also presented, the famous Palmino Liberty horses, ponies, dogs, acrobatics and jugglers. Corky Plunkett, night club and TV star, will present his breath-taking, daredevil performance on the trampoline.

The Palace of Wonders will be an exhibit of strange animals, creeping, crawling killers of the jungle, reptiles from all over the world. There you will see Mezeppa Jr. the largest reptile of its kind on tour. Also on exhibition will be the world famous collection of oddities from the four corners of the earth.

No circus is complete without the funny clowns. They will be there to entertain the little folks and the young in heart.

A circus is not a circus without an elephant. The circus will present Big Ben, one of the largest of the performing pachyderms on tour.

To the old timers, a thrill without compare. To the young, a glimpse into the past. The Merchants Free Circus brings to your town, an old fashioned steam caliope. This caliope comes from the antebellum Mississippi Show Boat, "Island Queen". On circus day, April 7, you will hear a concert of show boat melodies, leaving never to be forgotten memories of carefree days.

Don't forget the date, Thursday, April 7.

**Marine News**



Recent government figures show a marked decline in shrimp production for the first two months of 1955 as compared to the like period for 1954. Figures for the Gulf area indicate a drop in production of 13,000 bbls. for this period, over half of which is reflected in Texas landings.

Shrimp cold storage holdings as of February 28th were reported as being 18,098,000 lbs. of raw headless and 4,664,000 lbs. of all other. These figures indicate in round numbers a drop of 10,000,000 lbs. in inventory holdings since the first of the year. In comparing the present shrimp holding reports with prior years, it is well to keep in mind that Fish and Wildlife is getting better inventory reports than in past years and the compilation of such shrimp reports reflects a more comprehensive coverage of cold storage holdings.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Simmons at Lawton, Okla., a daughter. The young lady weighed 7 1/2 pounds. Mrs. Reid Simmons is visiting her son and daughter-in-law in Lawton.

Jim Ben Cloberdants is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Max Lyman in Des Moines, Iowa. Jim writes saying that he is enjoying the first snow that he has ever seen. He expects to spend some time there.

**Teresa Johnson Celebrates Birthday**

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson gave a birthday party for their daughter, Teresa, Saturday night at Goose Island concession hall, to celebrate her 14th birthday. The color scheme was green and white.

Guests attending were: Linda Mills, Joyce Weatherly, Patty McMahan, Jerry Armstrong, Betty Mae Armstrong, Mary Martha Shivers, Mary Lucile Jackson, Linda Beth Deason, Georgia Kresta, Heather Wren, Sondra Williams, Robbie Bocquet, Bobbie Kitchen.

Nancy Courts, Carla Eller, Joy Hamblin, Jimmie Ankele, James Richard Fox, Britton Dick, Dale Barnard, Charles LeBlanc, Mike Johnson, DeWilton Jeffries, Roger Ayers, Billy Boy Johnson, Guy Clark, James Gregory, Robert Arley Shivers, Paul Wilhelm, Chuckie Happer, Monte Rouquette, Jimmie Weatherly, Sonnie Brundrett, Campbell Wren, and Bob Johnson. Mrs. Herbert Mills assisted Mrs. Johnson in serving the refreshments.

Charles Dana Gibson created the "Gibson Girl."

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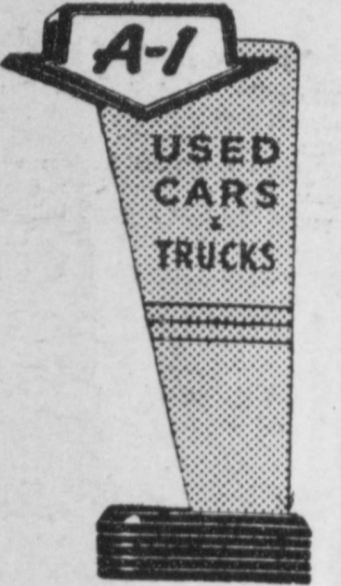
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**A MESSAGE TO THE VOTERS IN SATURDAY'S SCHOOL ELECTION**

I am a candidate for a second term as trustee for the Aransas County Independent School District. I am running as an independent candidate and owe no favors to any group or clique. Our schools have made great progress in the past few years but much more improvement is needed. As a trustee I have made errors in judgment along with others on the board. I have learned through these mistakes and intend to see they are not made a second time. This public office is not a salaried job. I have served at a considerable personal loss of time and money. My only reward is to see our educational facilities improve. I have been criticized for listening to constructive complaints from any and all of our citizens. I maintain that a knowledge of unsatisfactory conditions is essential to all members of the board of trustees. I will not be content with educational standards "as good as some of the surrounding towns." We should be offering our youth the best we can afford. I favor economy but we should economize on items that will not jeopardize our academic studies. Our main interest should be to educate our children.

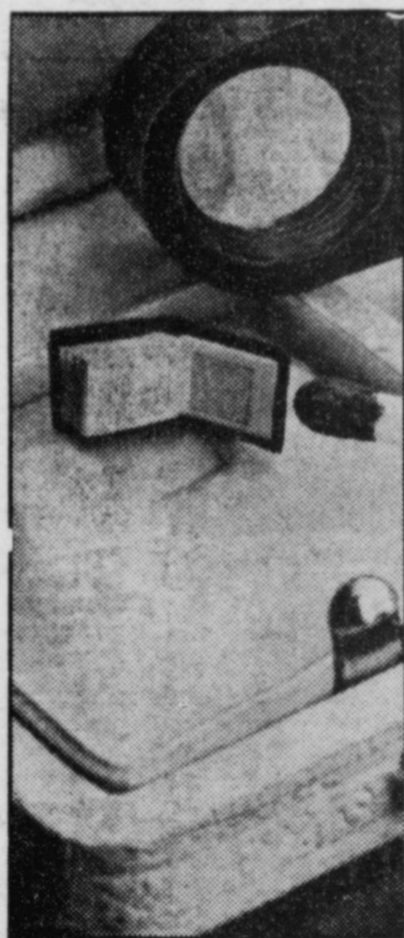
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**Saturday, April 2, 1955**

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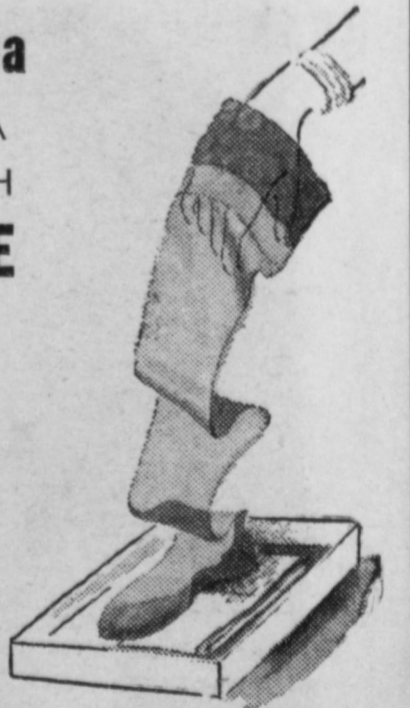
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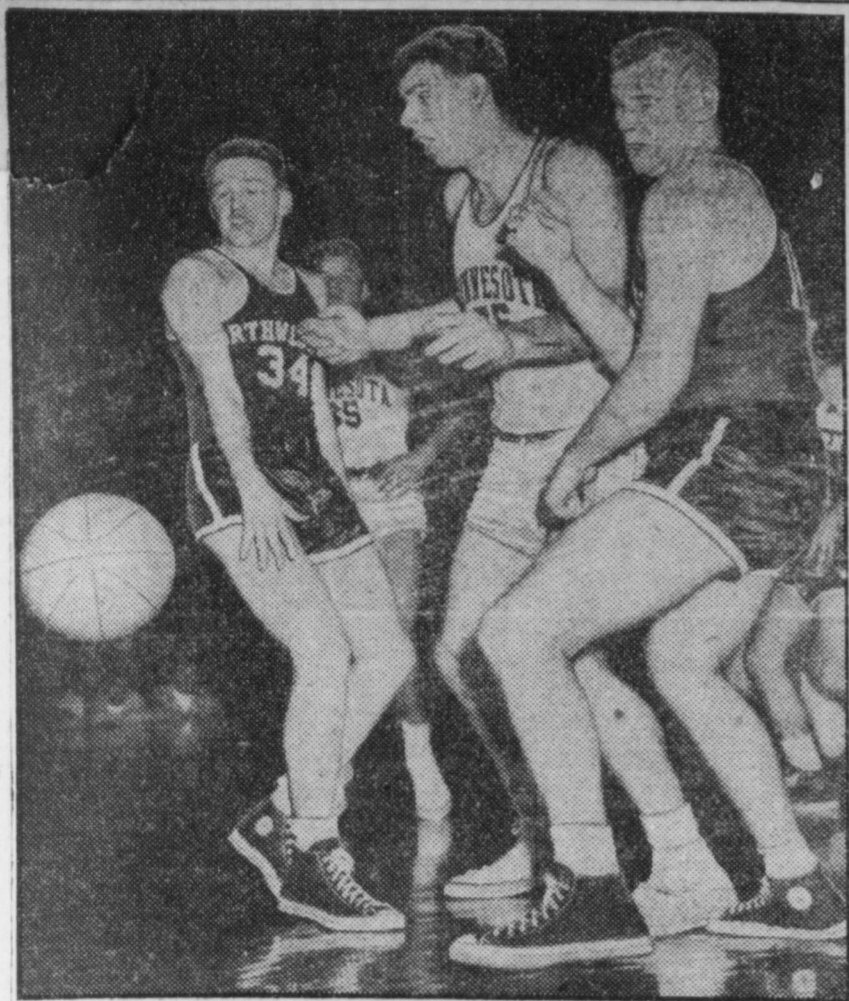
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**District Cub Scout Field Day At Taft Saturday, April 2**

The annual Karankawa District Cub Scout Field Day will be held at the Taft High School Athletic Field on Saturday, April 2, it was announced today by J. M. Chrestman, District Camping and Activities Chairman.

Plans are to have the best Cub Day ever held in this District. The meet last year attracted some 215 Cub Scouts and this year the event shows promise of being even bigger. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Taft Scout Hut with the Parade of Cubs and leaders through the streets of Taft starting at 9:00.

Following the parade the Cubs will take part in an Adventure Trail which are a series of games and events which will be directed by Taft Boy Scouts and members of the Kiwanis Club of Taft. Following a sack lunch and a short rest period the Track and Field events will begin.

The events of the meet are 50-yard dash, 50-yard tire roll, broad jump, three legged race, 100-yard shuttle relay, high jump, softball throw, and tug-of-war. Individual ribbons will be presented to first, second and third place winners in each event. A trophy will be awarded the winning Cub Den. Assisting Chrestman in directing the event will be M. A. Moore of Taft and members of the Taft Kiwanis Club.

Chestman also announced that the event is open to parents and friends of scouting or cubbing. There is no admission charge to the event. The meet will start about 3:00 p.m.

The porpoise emits a number of whistling and clicking sounds that may be used by the animal as sonar, or reflective sound waves, to warn it of underwater objects in its way.

**Spring Brings More Need for Lawn Care**

With spring just around the corner, local lawns will need more care than they have had for the past two or three months. The following article was prepared for the Pilot by D. P. Pawlik, County Agricultural, Agent for Aransas and San Patricio Counties, and may be of help to many of us who have been wondering just what to do to keep the grass green around our homes.

Supplying the necessary plant food to lawn grasses is often neglected by the home owner. Just as the farmer feeds his crops or the cattleman feeds his livestock, the home owner should feed his lawn.

Plant foods required in largest amounts by lawn grasses are nitrogen, phosphorus and potash. Nitrogen is the key element in lawn production. It produces the dark green color and vegetative growth. Phosphorus stimulates good root development. Potash affects the physiological processes of the grasses.

Plant food deficiencies produce definite characteristics. Nitrogen deficiency causes stunted growth of the entire plant. The leaves are small, thin and yellowish-green to lemon color. This condition is frequently referred to as firing and is often mistaken for lack of water.

Phosphorus deficiency causes slow growth of the entire plant. The leaves are an unhealthy dark green and irregularly distributed from patches over the lawn. The roots are stunted.

Potassium deficiencies cause slow growth. The entire plant eventually dries up and takes on a brownish color. The leaves appear a dull green or yellow and margin of the leaves turn brown. Often bronze spots develop and the tips are scorched.

Turfed areas require frequent feedings. Lawns should receive an application of complete food in the spring and fall. Generally a fertilizer with a 2-1-1 or 1-1-1 ratio such as 10-5-5 or 10-10-10 is satisfactory for these two feedings. These feedings should be made at the rate to supply two lbs. of nitrogen per 1,000 sq. ft. This would mean that 20 pounds of 10-5-5 or 10-10-10 would be applied per 1,000 square feet at each application. If the lawn is to stay green and vigorous throughout the season one pound of actual nitrogen should be applied per 1,000 square feet every 30 to 40 days. This means that 3 pounds of ammonium nitrate, or 5 pounds of ammonium sulfate per 1,000 square feet will be applied every 30 to 40 days.

Grass can't use fertilizer without water. In most areas yards will need a good soaking after the plant food has been added. This allows the fertilizer to go into solution and become available for plant use.

Watering is the maintenance practice most often misused. Lawns should never be watered until the grass shows a definite need. Grass suffering from lack of water takes on a sheen and the plants wilt and curl. When this occurs the lawn should be thoroughly watered, soaked to a depth of 6 inches or more. Light frequent sprinklings do more harm than good. This type of watering produces shallow and weak roots systems. Shallow roots do not allow efficient utilization of plant food and moisture and increases the chance for diseases to attack the lawn grass. Water your lawn to produce a good root system by wetting the soil deep.

Improper mowing is responsible for the loss of many lawns. Close clipping encourages thinning out of the sod, shallow rooting, and a lack of disease resistance. Close mowing allows the soil to bake and dry faster during hot summer months.

Generally lawns should be clipped at a height of 1 1/2 to 2 inches.

**Miss Mary Atkinson Buried Here Tuesday**

Miss Mary Helen Atkinson, 46, a lifelong resident of Alice, died at 11:15 p.m. Sunday in a Alice hospital following a brief illness.

She was a member of the Episcopal Church there.

Surviving are her father, N. W. Atkinson; a brother, N. W. Atkinson, Jr., a nephew and a niece, all of Alice.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Church of the Advent, in Alice, and at 4:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Rockport. The Rt. Rev. Everett H. Jones, bishop of the West Texas Episcopal Diocese, will officiate, assisted by the Rev. John Stewart, rector of the Alice church. Burial was in Rockport Cemetery under direction of Moyer Mortuary of Alice.

Pallbearers were Jacob Floyd, Clarence Perkins, and Brune Goldapp, all of Alice; Raymond Cheney and Jimmy Sorenson, of Rockport and Ike Poole of Houston.

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**Merchandise Display, Training Courses Offered By U. of T.**

A number of Rockport and Aransas Pass merchants and their employees are at this time enrolling for the University of Texas training courses which will begin April 4. Training is being offered



W. G. BOHANNON

in "Merchandise Display" and in "Show Card Lettering". Sponsoring this program is the Chamber of Commerce.

W. G. Bohannon, Advertising Specialist of The University of Texas, has been engaged as the instructor. Mr. Bohannon is a man of practical experience having spent many years with retail stores and other businesses. He has had commercial art experience with a leading sign company in Austin, and has operated his own sign and display business.

The "Merchandise Display" course offers demonstrations of correct display techniques, new ideas in advanced principles of display. Consideration is given to arrangement, balance and proportion, the unit, drama, lighting, painting with light, and window backgrounds. Time will also be given to design and construction, color, interior display, open front stores, soft and hard lines. Actual

practice with miniature windows and other props will be demonstrated. Fee for the entire course, all supplies furnished, is three dollars per person.

The "Show Card Lettering" course follows the Display course each evening with actual practice in lettering with the brush. Effective show cards through improved layout, color and the proper use of alphabets will be taught. Supplies and text are furnished at no extra cost with the fee being three dollars per person for the entire course in Lettering.

- Both courses appeal to:
1. Display personnel
  2. Store owners
  3. Store managers
  4. Salespeople responsible for interior displays.

The "Merchandise Display" group will meet Monday through Thursday, 4 evenings each week, for two weeks, beginning on Monday, April 4, at 7:00 p.m.

The "Show Card Lettering" class will meet immediately following the Display class at 8:00 p.m. on the same evenings for a period of two weeks. Enrollment in the Show Card Lettering course is limited to twenty people and advance registration may be confirmed by calling the Chamber of Commerce.

For meeting places contact the Chamber of Commerce.

**Baptist Business Women Meet**

The Baptist Business Women's Circle met last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Tom Shults. The program was "Mission Study".

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Emma McLester, Floy Rooke, Ruby Mundine, Albert Ballou and Janie, Mildred Jones and John Minton.

**ATTEND MEETING**

Mrs. Harry Mills, Mrs. Hugh Morrison and Mrs. Walter Heldenfels are attending the Tenth District Conference of Parent-Teachers Association which is convening in Brownsville.



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**INCOME TAX FACTS No. 7**  
**Medical Expenses and Other Deductions**

(This is one of a series of articles on income tax changes. The articles are based on information provided by the American Institute of Accountants and the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.)

Taxpayers with heavy medical expenses in 1954 get a big break under the new tax law.

In the first place, certain sick benefits are not even counted as income. This was true before in the case of insured plans, but now applies to benefits from the uninsured employer as well. Here's what you can receive free of tax from your employer or his insurance company:

1. Payment for medical expenses.
2. Payment for permanent injury (not based on time absent from work).
3. Damages for injury or sickness.
4. Payments under Workmen's Compensation acts.
5. Payment up to \$100 a week for loss of wages while you are absent due to injury or sickness, except that the first week's pay is taxable unless you are absent due to an injury or are hospitalized for at least one day.

**Medical and Dental Deductions**

Using the long form and itemizing your deductions you can now deduct more than you could last year. First you add up your expenses for medicine and subtract 1% of your adjusted gross income. Add the remainder to your other medical and dental expenses, including doctor, dentist and hospital bills you have paid, transportation (but not living expenses) for medical treatment away from home, and medical insurance premiums.

From this total you must subtract any benefits received from your medical insurance and, unless you are 65 or over, 3% (instead of the old 5%) of your adjusted gross income. This will give you the amount of your medical and dental deduction. It cannot be any more, however, than the maximum based on your exemptions.

This maximum has been raised to \$2,500 per exemption (except those for old age and blindness) up to \$5,000 for a single person and up to \$10,000 for a head of household or on a joint return.

**Charity Made Easier**

There is still the 20% limit on charitable contributions in general, but you can take a deduction for

an additional 10% of your income contributed to religious organizations, schools and hospitals. Within the 20% limit you can now include gifts to non-profit cemeteries, as well as any "religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational" organization.

**Taxes and Interest Paid**

In general you can deduct taxes you have paid for yourself or a member of your household, except to the federal government. You can not deduct "hidden" sales taxes (not separately stated to the customer), or fees for hunting licenses, dog licenses, water supply or auto inspection.

Interest paid by you on mortgages and on loans is deductible. Don't forget FHA loans, car loans, collateral loans, personal loans and loans against your life insurance.

There is a new provision this year that may help you if you purchased anything on the installment plan. Formerly you could deduct interest only if it were separately stated. Now you can deduct the amount of any "carrying charges" up to 6% of the average monthly unpaid balance as interest.

**Fire and Storm Damage**

Another type of deduction is the casualty loss. If your home, car, or other property was damaged by fire, storm, flood, lightning, explosion or freezing—or if any of your property was stolen—your loss not covered by insurance is deductible. See the official instructions for the method of calculating your loss.

**Additional Information**

Be sure to read the official instructions. You can also get help from the Internal Revenue Service, which urges you to consult only qualified advisers.

Next article: *New Savings for Investors, Farmers and Businessmen.*

**San Antonio Visitor Commends Improvements Around Yacht Basin**

In January, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Willis, of San Antonio, were here and, after they returned home, wrote Mayor Seth H. Steele a letter, commenting unfavorably on the state of the streets around the yacht basin. The reason for their state of disrepair was explained to him by Mayor Steele, and both letters were published in The Pilot at that time.

Since then Mr. and Mrs. Willis have been back to Rockport, and because Mr. Willis is a fair man, he wrote another letter, asking that it receive the same publicity as the first.

The Pilot is glad to publish this letter, and to say, in regard to it, that we wish everyone was as amenable to reason, and as ready to correct a mistake as Mr. Willis has shown himself. His letter follows:

My Dear Mr. Steele:

Over the past week my wife and I visited Rockport, our first visit since my letter of January 5, in which I made complaint regarding the streets in and around the basin, and to which you replied, very kindly, in detail, regarding the difficulties the community had experienced in connection with the deplorable condition of the mentioned streets. Your reply made it quite clear that my letter, in part, was based on a lack of understanding, so far as concerned the attitude of your civic and municipal authorities, and here let me offer my apologies to you as a representative of those groups.

As I have said, we were in Rockport over the weekend and it was most pleasing to be able to ride around the basin without feeling one was running a test of the ejection seat of a jet plane. I am

**Mrs. Reese to Attend Texas State Library Convention at Corpus**

Mrs. Emma Reese will attend the Texas State Library Convention, which will be held in Corpus Christi on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Librarians from all over the state will be there for the three-day session.

**FIVE RECEIVE LICENSES**

The following persons completed the examinations given for a Texas Drivers License, March 25:

Herman L. Armstrong, Imogene Miracle (beginner), Goldy Hargrave, A. J. Lanfair and Patricia York, all of Rockport.

Next examinations will be given on April 8 at 9:00 a.m. at the local court house.

also told by my friends that work of a permanent nature is in progress which will do away with the cause of mine and other complaints.

Since I criticized the past condition of the area involved, may I now commend those who are responsible for the vastly improved streets, an improvement that I am sure is appreciated by the many out-of-town visitors, such as my wife and I, and I suggest that this letter be given the same publicity as our past correspondence, so that your people may understand that we do really appreciate what has been done.

I was disappointed in that we were not able to meet you and "have the opportunity of shaking your hand"; however, our stay was short, a situation I hope to remedy in the future. In the meantime, our most sincere good wishes and thanks for that which makes for a more pleasant stay in your city.

Sincerely,  
E. C. WILLIS

**NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF BESSIE ALBERTA BETTELL, DECEASED.**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Bessie Alberta Bettell, Deceased, were granted to Berl Britton Bettell on March 28th, 1955, by the County Court of Aransas County, Texas.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executor within the time prescribed by law. His post office address is Box No. 113, Rockport, Texas.

JOE CALDWELL,  
Attorney for Berl Britton Bettell, Independent Executor of the Estate of Bessie Alberta Bettell, Deceased.  
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**COWBOY HALL OF FAME WILL NOT BE IN TEXAS**

Texas has lost her bid for the Cowboy Hall of Fame which will be located either in Kansas, Oklahoma or Colorado.

Ray Schnell, chairman of the location committee, said recently three cities will be recommended to the hall of fame board of trustees when it meets April 15 at Denver to decide on a permanent location.

They are Dodge City, Kan., Oklahoma City and Colorado Springs.

They will be invited to send representatives to the April meeting.

The recommendations were made by a 4-man committee which made a tour of 10 states in a chartered plane to the 10 most promising locations. These included Canyon, Texas.

**Circle Four Names Committee Chairmen**

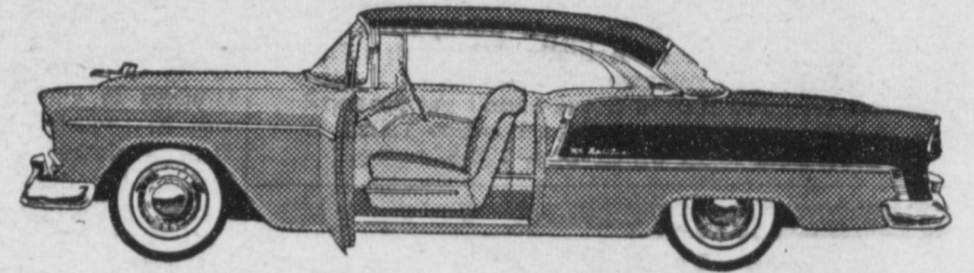
Mrs. J. B. Olivares was appointed chairman of the Circle telephoning committee and Mrs. Bob Morrison was named head of the Circle project at the Training Circle's March 17 meeting held at the home of Mrs. F. L. McCord.

Ten members and one visitor were present to study the lesson "Faith as Adventure" given by Mrs. Jimmy Little.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lancaster and children, Cynthia Ann and Chris spent last weekend in Rockport, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roy V. Rogero and family.

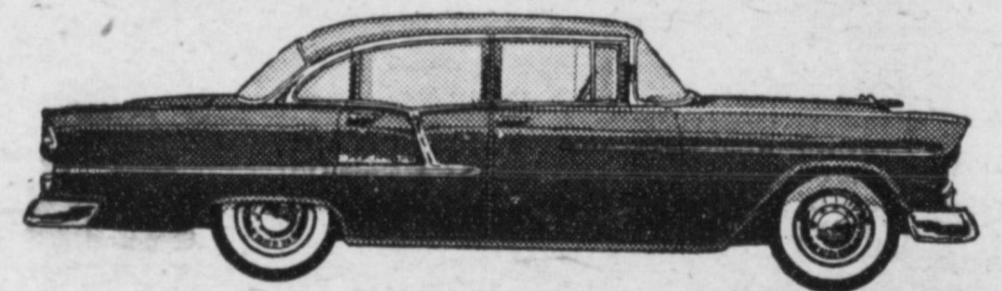
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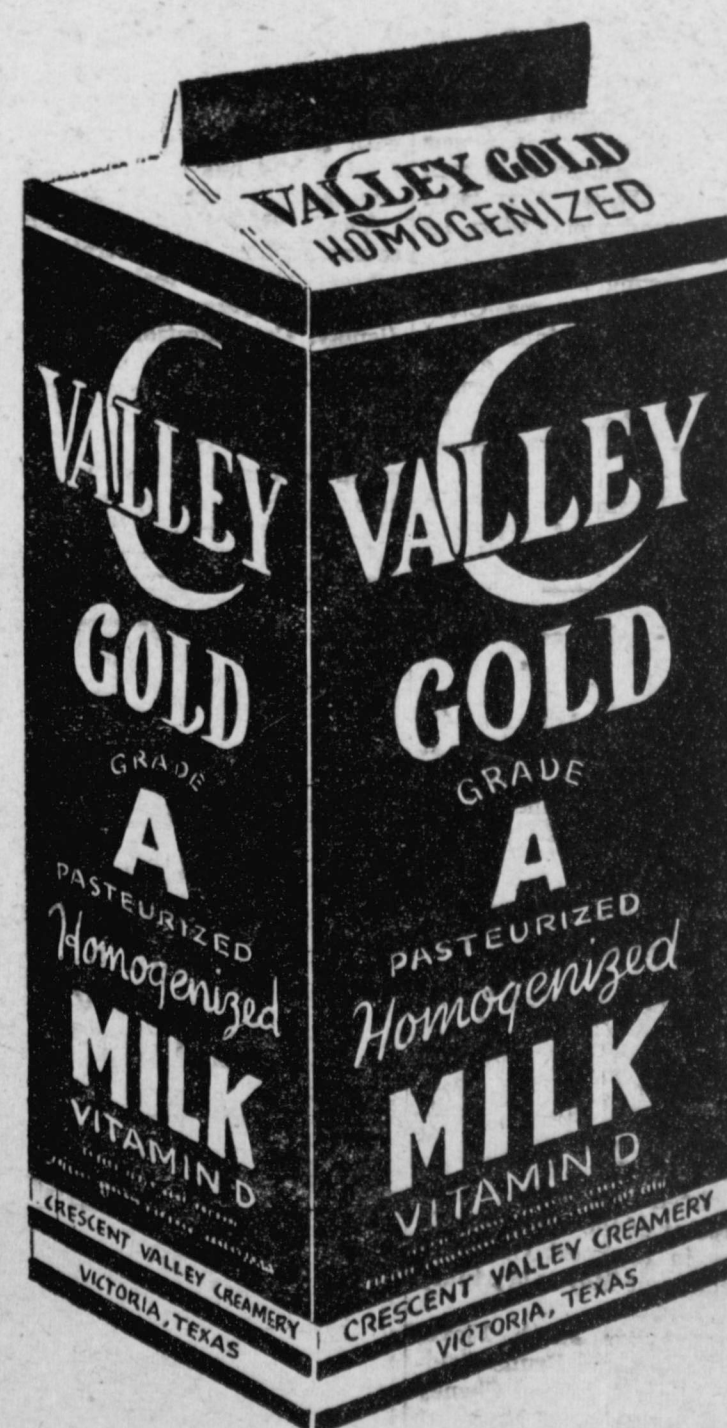
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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

1. Sealed bids, in duplicate, addressed to Aransas County Navigation District No. 1, Rockport, Texas, will be received at the District office until 11:00 a.m., April 11, 1955, and then publicly opened, for furnishing all plant, labor, material, and equipment and performing all work for the below described work at the location indicated.

2. The work shall include the repair of pavement at the Rockport harbor involving replacing fill material, reconditioning flexible base, cold mix limestone rock asphalt pavement patching, prime coat, one course surface treatment, and seal coat. The Owner is Aransas County Navigation District No. 1, Rockport, Texas.

3. Bids will be submitted in sealed envelopes upon the blank form of proposal attached hereto and marked in the upper left hand corner as follows:

"Bid for Pavement Repairs, Rockport Harbor to be opened 11:00 a.m., March 11, 1955."

4. All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check upon a national or state bank in the amount of 5% of the total bid price, payable without recourse to Aransas County Navigation District No. 1, or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance bond within fifteen (15) days after notice of award. The bid security must be enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered.

5. All bid securities will be returned to the respective bidders within ten (10) days after bids are opened, except those which the Navigation District elects to hold until the successful bidder has executed the contract. Thereafter all remaining securities, including security of the successful bidder, will be returned within ten (10) days.

6. The successful bidder must furnish performance bond upon the form which is available at the office of the Navigation District in the amount of 100% of the contract price from an approved surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as surety, and acceptance according to the latest list of companies

**Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Torres Announce Daughter's Engagement**

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Torres announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Joy, to Mr. Edward Lee Billings, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Billings of this city. The wedding is planned for May.

holding certificates of authority from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, or other surety or sureties acceptable to the Navigation District.

7. The right is reserved, as the interest of the Navigation District may require, to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids received.

8. Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of Lockwood & Andrews, Consulting Engineers, 104 Cowling Building, Corpus Christi, Texas, on deposit of ten (10) dollars per set which sum so deposited will be refunded; provided: (1) All documents are returned in good condition to Lockwood & Andrews at Corpus Christi not later than 48 hours prior to the time for receiving bids; or (2) If Contractor submits a bid and returns all documents in good condition to Lockwood & Andrews at Corpus Christi, Texas not later than five (5) days after the time bids are received.

9. Plans and specifications may be examined at the following locations: Aransas County Navigation District Office, Rockport, Texas; Office of Lockwood & Andrews, Consulting Engineers, 104 Cowling Building, Corpus Christi, Texas.

10. Bidders should carefully examine the plans, specifications and other documents, visit the site of the work, and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters which can in any way affect the work or the costs thereof. Should a bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from, the plans, specifications or other documents, or should he be in doubt as to their meaning, he should at once notify the Engineer and obtain clarification prior to submitting any bid.

THOMAS D. PICTON,  
Secretary. c51

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## Calendar of Coming Events

### PARADE LITTLE PEOPLE

There will be an Easter Parade of Little People at the High School Auditorium, Friday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m. Fifty-four children will take part in the affair, sponsored by the Senior Class to raise money for their trip. Everyone is urged to attend. Admission will be charged at the rate of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children, all proceeds going into the class fund.

### FULTON P-TA POSTPONES MEETING UNTIL APRIL 12

The Fulton P-TA will postpone its April 6 meeting until April 12, because many of the teachers are unable to attend, due to in-service training scheduled for the sixth.

### B&PW CLUB WILL MEET AT SETH STEELE HOME

The Business and Professional Women's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Seth H. Steele on April 4, at 7:30 p.m. for their regular session.

The program will be in charge of Fred Bracht, county chairman handling U. S. Treasury Bonds, and Mr. Bracht will talk to the assembly on this phase of government financing.

### HIGH SCHOOL P-TA TO MEET TUESDAY

Aransas County High School P-TA will meet Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the high school. There will be an executive board meeting at 7:00 p.m. After the regular meeting there will be a program on etiquette by the home and family life study group, led by Mrs. S. F. Jackson. A social hour will follow.

### CAKE SALE TO BE HELD

On April 2, the W.S.C.S. will hold a cake sale in the downtown business district, these pies and cake's will be home-made, so be sure and get yours.

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CHANGE MEETING DATE

Women of the Presbyterian Church (all circles) will meet at the church, Friday evening, April 1, at 7:30 p.m., instead of the previously planned date, due to the special Evangelistic meetings. Mrs. J. D. Griggs will have charge of the program, "When Emotions Overwhelm."

### BISHOP MCKINSTRY TO HOLD BAPTISMAL SERVICES AT ST. PETER'S

The Right Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, D.D. Bishop of Delaware (retired) will administer the Sacramental Rite of Confirmation and deliver the sermon at the 11:00 a.m. service at the Church of Our Saviour, Aransas Pass, on Palm Sunday, April 3.

Following the service he will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Fox and will then proceed to Rockport for Baptismal services at 2:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Church.

Bishop McKinstry holds Doctorate Degrees from Harvard University, Kenyon College, and the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

He has held churches at Topeka, Kansas, Cleveland, Ohio, Albany, New York and Nashville, Tenn.

He was pastor of St. Mark's Church, San Antonio from 1927-31, thus becoming one of the seven rectors of that parish to be subsequently elected Bishops of the Episcopal Church in the 20th century.

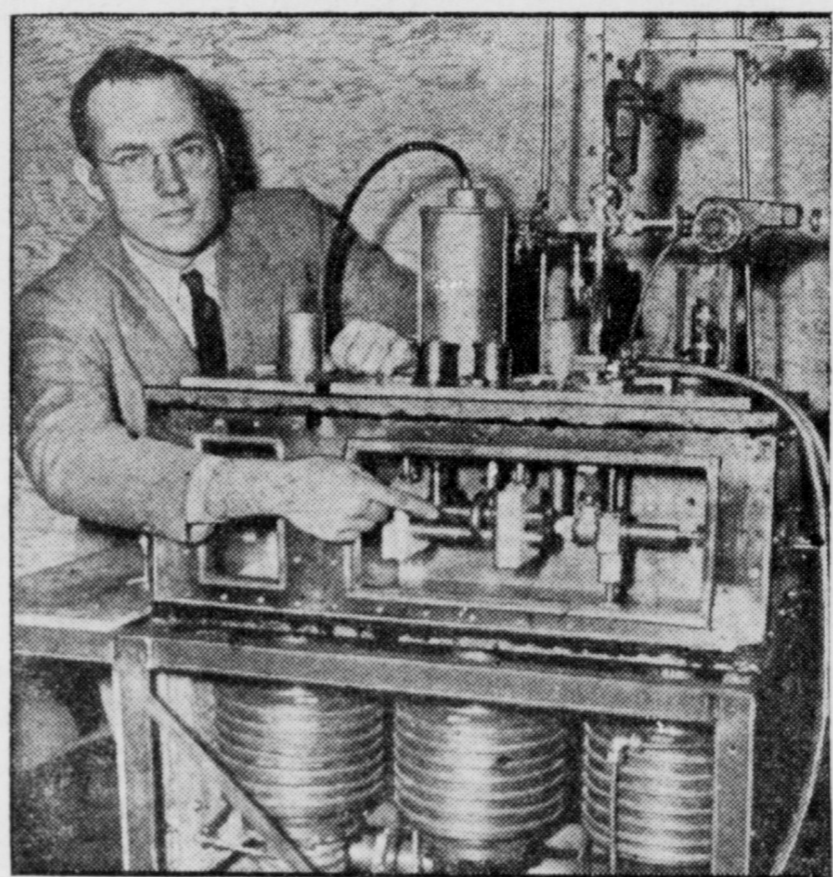
## SOCIAL SECURITY FACTS

Farmers who do not have social security cards should get them now. Application blanks are available at your social security office, or they may be obtained from your post office or employment office, and applications should be sent to the social security office in Corpus Christi.

Like other self-employed people, farmers will pay their social security taxes with their income tax returns. Their farm income will count toward insurance payments in their older years and toward family protection for dependents in case of death.



**HORSE OF THE YEAR**—Determine, with Jockey Ray York up, nuzzles the hand of Trainer Billy Molter just after winning the \$25,000 Added Golden Gate Handicap at Albany, Calif. His \$15,300 purse brought the gray colt's winnings to \$328,880 and makes him the top money winner of U. S. racing for 1954.



**TIME FOR ATOM AGE**—Prof. Charles H. Townes, of Columbia University, points to mechanism of his "atomic clock," a device so accurate that it is expected not to vary more than one second from correct time in 300 years. Called "Maser" for its function, Microwave Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation, it uses energy radiated by molecules of ammonia as its timing standard. Expected to play a role in navigation and spectroscopic study of molecular structure, the device may be used to solve the ages-old riddle as to whether the earth is slowing up or increasing its rate of rotation.



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## City That Might Have Been

Rockport, despite an oil field in its back yard and lively tourist and fishing businesses, is still "The City That Might Have Been Corpus Christi."

In 1888, the Chamber of Commerce (or what passed for it in those days) put out a booklet, "Beautiful Rockport, the Unrivalled Gulf Port of Texas, the Coming City of 200,000 People."

The book says: "It is but a question of a very short time, when deep water will be secured through Aransas Pass, when Rockport must develop into the first maritime city of the Southwest, and a market for all the products of our exuberant soil will be established at our doors. Southwestern Texas will bloom like the rose; everybody will have money to throw at the birds!"

"Rockport was quite a place in those days," says Harry Traylor, whose father, Colonel J. H. Traylor (former mayor of Dallas) helped start the boom.

"It was a resort town with a permanent population of 7,000, and the beach front was lined with hotels and bathing pavilions, one of which had a theatre at its end, out over the water."

The old Aransas Hotel, built by Traylor's father, was a 3 1/2 story wooden structure, occupying an entire block, and was known to young blades of the "Gay Nineties" as the "biggest chicken coop in Texas" because of the beaves of demure misses which inhabited its balconies.

There was a gambling casino, too, known as "The Limit". In this beach front palace of pleasure the hot-shots of that day fortified themselves with some nose-paint in the basement bar, then ascended to the halls above to buck the tiger.

Rockport had four trains a day, and railroad lines from all over the U. S. were advertising fares to the city with "Elegant Coaches, Free Reclining Chair Cars, and Pullman Buffet Sleepers on All Trains!" One-mule-power street cars clanged through the streets.

The great and near-great were residents and visitors of the metropolis on Aransas Bay. Colonel George Fulton, cattle baron and first customs collector of the Republic of Texas, owned a \$75,000 home on the bay. Governor Jim Hogg was a summer guest of the town; so were Senators Joe Bailey and Charles Culberson, and that great publishing family, the Pulitzers.

Rockport was, according to its citizens, a city of destiny, and when the U. S. Engineers issued a series of favorable reports on construction of a deep water channel through Aransas Pass, influential citizens of the town went to work.

An interesting fact is that Corpus Christi (at that time a town of about 4500 people) was not even considered competition. Galveston was the target of their envy, and so bitter were the recriminations between the two that papers throughout the U. S. became embroiled in the argument.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat said, in an editorial: "The simple fact of the matter is, there is only the merest chance of ever accomplishing anything at Galveston, a fact apparently recognized by the Engineer Corps, judging from the tone of their reports. The estimates at Galveston require \$7,000,000 to complete the work; those at Aransas \$1,560,000. The Government has already expended \$22,000,000 at Galveston and less than \$500,000 at Aransas. These facts and figures are official. The intelligent and thoughtful man is at liberty to draw his conclusions."

However, about the time the

fight was reaching its hottest, a new and unsuspected rival entered the picture. Corpus Christi wanted that deep water channel for itself!

Albert Bruhl, long-time resident of Rockport, remembers the battle.

"I was just a young man," he said, "but because I was mayor of Rockport, they chose me and County Judge W. H. Baldwin to meet with representatives of the Engineer Corps and others, as well as the Corpus Christi delegation, to go over the merits of the two locations for the port."

"I remember that the Chairman of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee, the Chief of Engineers, our congressman from San Antonio, and a lot of others, including "Cactus Jack" Garner, who was serving his first term in Congress, all came down from Washington. We had a big banquet at Colonel Fulton's that night, with the food furnished by a caterer from San Antonio.

"The next morning we took Colonel Green's yacht (the son of Hetty Green, Wall Street's woman financier) and went over the route from Rockport to the Pass, and when we reached Port Aransas they wined us and dined us there.

"When we hit Corpus Christi Bay it was rough as the dickens, and a lot of the guests got seasick. When Garner stepped off the boat he said, 'If the Lord will forgive me, I'll never make another trip like that.'

"They wined us and dined us at Corpus Christi, too, and, of course, everyone was trying to get the engineers to recommend the route to his city.

"Rockport was nearer to the Pass, and required less dredging to reach, but what really turned the scales against us was the lack of fresh water. The engineers decided that we didn't have enough to serve the needs of a port, so Corpus Christi won out against us, and went on to become a city."

After that, little by little, the glories of Rockport faded, although one more big hotel, the La Playa, was built as late as 1917. Better transportation enabled people to go elsewhere, and, as automobiles and good roads made more of America accessible, fewer vacationists came to the town. The old Aransas Hotel burned in 1919, just before the hurricane that wiped out the La Playa and most of the beach front.

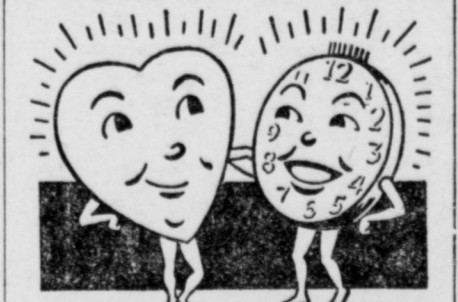
Today, it has become a thriving little city again; it draws many tourists, fishermen and hunters; it has shrimping and boat building industries! and the Copano Bay-Fulton oil field is in its back yard.

Nevertheless, it is "The City That Might Have Been Corpus Christi!"



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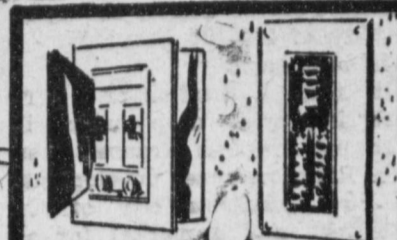


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**Pilot Receives Book By San Antonio Author**

In this week's mail to the Pilot was a slender, board-bound book history "Seventy Years in His Kingdom" to be released March 29, 1955, to coincide with the Seventieth Anniversary of opening of the old Fourth Ward Sunday



Miss Frances M. Ashbacher

School, March 29, 1885, that became Westminster Presbyterian Church of San Antonio.

It was the first English-speaking Protestant church of the south side of San Antonio and served English-speaking German people in the area.

Miss Frances M. Ashbacher, member at Westminster for thirty-five years, wrote the book. She is a public relations counsellor, is past executive secretary of the South Texas Chamber of Commerce, and has authored seven other published titles, the first, verse, in 1935.

Her "San Antonio Guide and Tale of Historic Lore" was released last year and was included in two historical association publications, Southwestern Historical Quarterly of the Texas State Historical Association and "Ohio Authors and Composers 1954 Book" of the Ohioana Library at Columbus, the state where the author was born. She has lived in San Antonio since 1920.

**CHANGES IN YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY**

By H. M. Cleveland, Manager Social Security Administration

Under the new social security law, about three and a half million more state and local government workers may become eligible for social security coverage for the first time in 1955. In the past, only those government employees who were not under a retirement plan could come under old-age and survivors insurance at the option of their employer.

The new law makes it possible for state or local government employees (except firemen and policemen) to come under the retirement and family insurance program even though they are under an existing retirement plan. The majority of the employees under a state or local government retirement plan must vote favorably for social security before they can be brought under it. They will be notified about the voting at least 90 days before it is to take place. And the vote will be taken by secret written ballot.

If the state of Texas desires, each political subdivision and the institutions of higher learning in the state may be considered a separate group. Those state and local government workers who are not under a retirement system may be included under social security without a vote, if the governing body for whom they work asks for and enters into an agreement to get social security coverage for them.

One thing for state and local government workers to remember if they become eligible for social security coverage is their social security card. The number on that card is the identification of an individual social security account, and it is the key to future payments that they may earn. These are the same benefits that I have described earlier in this series.

W. B. Allen has been in Houston for the past 10 days at the bedside of his sister who is critically ill.

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**PEAS** 303 Can **18c**

Delight  
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Libby's  
**PEAR HALVES** 303 Can **27c**

Libby's  
**Pineapple Juice** 46-oz. Can **25c**

**CLOROX** 1/2 gal. **27c**

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**59c**



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SHOULDER  
**Round Steak** Pound **49c**

Sun Vale  
**Bacon** Pound **39c**

Armour's Star Rolled  
**Roast** Pound **39c**

FRESH GROUND  
**Hamburger**  
Pound **29c**

HEAVY BEEF  
**Brisket**  
Pound **19c**

CHUCK  
**Steak** Pound **39c**

Swift's Premium  
**Franks** Pound **47c**

Center Cut  
**Pork Chops** Pound **55**

Young Fat  
**HENS** Pound **49c**

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CITATION OF PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: The following named Defendants, who were designated in that certain written statement filed by Aransas County Navigation District No. 1 with the County Judge of Aransas County on the 5th day of March, 1955, as those Defendants whose addresses or whereabouts were unknown, to-wit:

- 1. Emily (or Emilie) Nunne-macher
2. Paula S. Reuss.
3. Katherine Schoellkopf.
4. Mrs. Fannie Edrington
5. Mrs. Bessie Sandidge
6. Mrs. Mary Morton
7. Mrs. Willie Collins
8. The heirs, wives, husbands, devisees, and legal representatives, all of whom are unknown to Petitioner and its attorney, of each and all the Defendants above enumerated or identified.

DEFENDANTS, GREETING:
You and each of you are hereby notified that at or before 10 o'clock a.m., of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of the issuance of this citation, the same being the 18th day of April, A. D., 1955, you are commanded to appear before the undersigned Special Commissioners at the Aransas County Court House in Rockport, Texas, by filing a written answer to the Petition of Aransas County Navigation District No. 1 filed in the County Court of Aransas County, Texas, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1955, and which said Petition is filed in a cause numbered 670 and styled Aransas County Navigation District No. 1, Petitioner, versus Genevieve S. Peter, et al, Defendants.

The undersigned Special Commissioners have been appointed by the Honorable John D. Wendell, Judge of the County Court of Aransas County, Texas, to hear, ascertain and assess the damages occasioned by the condemnation of the following described property, to-wit:
Being all of the Water Front Reserve, together with all riparian rights, lying East of Blocks Twenty-seven (27) and Fifty (50) and the east ends of Laurel Street, Chaparral Street, and Cactus Street, across Beach Street, bounded on the North by the North line of Laurel Street, on the East by Aransas Bay, on the South by the South line of Cactus Street, and

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You Say It We Can't

Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllantysiliogogoch, Wales — Inhabitants of this little Welsh town with the longest name in the world are up in arms today against a foul calumny being spread abroad.

This wicked libel, which no true Welshman, indeed, would believe, is that Llanfair etc., is a hoax cooked up by a local cobbler in the eighteenth century and that all that should really be written on the sign posts is Llanfairpwllgwyngll—a mere 20 letters instead of 58.

Latest newspapers to pick up the trimming job is the London Daily Mirror, which ran the short version in its letters column today and mentioned the eighteenth century changeover.

Local residents said since the name has been used these last 200 years without being queried—and even written in full on the railway station sign boards—there is no reason for changing it now. If you want to try the name on your friends, pronounce it: Klan-fire - pooth - gwin - geth - go - gerith - kwin - drooble - klan - dissileo - go - go gok.

The WSCS of First Methodist Church will hold a bake sale Saturday, April 2 starting at 9 a. m. at the Rockport Electric Co.

on the West by the East line of Beach Street, in the Townsite of Fulton, in Aransas County, Texas, according to the official map or plat thereof recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Aransas County, Texas; which property is sought to be condemned by the Petitioner for the purpose of the establishment, construction, improvement and maintenance of further harbor facilities at Fulton in Aransas County, Texas, all of which is more fully set out in the Petition of Aransas County Navigation District No. 1, to which reference is here made, and said Special Commissioners having heretofore duly selected such time and place for hearing, as required by law, will proceed to hear said parties and said Petitioner and to act thereon in the manner directed by law.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to the requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness our hands this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1955.

Seth H. Steele, W. S. Steede, Floyd Brown, Special Commissioners

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of the County Court of Aransas County, Texas, this 5th day of March, A. D. 1955.

Jas. C. Herring, Clerk of the County Court, Aransas County, Texas. (SEAL)



A&I LANTANA COURT—Mary Cook of Freer, upper left, will be crowned Lantana Queen in two ceremonies at Texas A&I College in Kingsville April 1 and 2. The first night's coronation will feature the presentation of 60 South Texas high school duchesses. In a similar performance the following night 50 A&I co-eds representing campus organizations will be presented. A parade, a ball, and other social events are scheduled in addition to the coronation ceremonies. The Lantana Ladies who will reign with Queen Mary are (from left) Betty Lott, Beeville; Phyllis Ann Black, Corpus Christi; Kaye Anne Lloyd, Alice; Bobbie McDowell, Edna; Dorothy Lindley, Beeville; and Lillyan Ewert, San Antonio.

Pirate News



By Jean Mullinax

Assembly Held Wednesday

The Student Council sponsored a magic show on March 30 in the school auditorium. This assembly came to ACHS through the Southern School Association. Eight Student Council members

are going to junior high to talk to the students about high school. The speakers for this occasion are to be Billie Mitchell, Fully Clingman, Cecil Casterline, Joy Roe, Roanna Roberts, Faye Washington, Joyce Warden, and Steven Weber.

New Vice President Elected

Joyce Ann Barber, the sophomore vice president, has been promoted to class president. Roy DeForest was elected the new vice president.

The former class president, Tommy Bradshaw, moved away.

Seniors Announce Motto

The senior class for '54-'55 have announced their motto for this year. It is:

Good, better, best
Never let it rest,
Until your good is better,
And your better is best.

Easter Parade To Be Given

The senior class is having an Easter Parade of Little Children from 3 to 6 years old. The parade will be April 1, at 7:30 p. m. in the high school auditorium. Tickets can be purchased from any senior class member and are 50c for adults and 25c for children 12 or under.

Candy Still On Sale

The band is still having its candy sale. The price of this wonderful candy is only 50c for a fourth of a pound of candy. It is manufactured by the Cook Hill Manufacturing Co. of Chicago, Ill. This candy is being sold to enable the band to buy a strobocone for tuning purposes.

Band Elects Officers For Coming Year

The officers were elected for the coming school year. Captains are Abner West and Roy DeForest. The lieutenants are Freddie Lingner and Juanita Everett. Sergeants are Bobby Shaver and Harry Wilson.

Methodists To Give Party For Seniors

The Methodist Church is sponsoring a wiener roast for the senior class on April 15 at 6:30 p. m. The roast will be at the home of V. B. Allen.

The class had a choice of a breakfast and a wiener roast. They chose the date for it to be held and voted for the roast.

Student Checks Out

This week another of the junior class students checked out. She is Carol Brashears. Carol came to us at the beginning of this year from Breckenridge, Texas, and is moving to Lufkin, Texas.

Seniors Must Write Term Papers

The English IV class must write term papers on English authors. The papers are due on May 16 and must have a minimum of 1,500

words. The papers must also be composed of a short biography of the author, an interpretation of his work, and a personal opinion of his work. Students are allowed to choose any author they wish.

Annual Subscriptions On Sale For Last Time

Burke Cabantiss, editor, announces that the annuals will be on sale for the last time April 11 through the 15. This is the last chance for subscriptions.

Home Lawns Receive Added Punch From Complete Fertilizer

College Station, — Home lawns receive an added "punch" if treated in the spring with a complete fertilizer.

Use a fertilizer of a 2-1-1 or 1-1-1 ratio at rates to supply two pounds of actual nitrogen for each 1,000 square feet of lawn area, advises E. M. Trew, extension pasture specialist. That's the amount of nitrogen in 20 pounds of 10-20-10 or 40 pounds of 5-10-5.

Another pound of nitrogen applied at 30 to 40 day intervals will keep lawns green throughout the summer, says Trew. Supply water as needed.

Water only when the yard shows a definite need. Soak soil to a depth of at least six inches when the grass takes on a sheen or wilt.

Light frequent sprinklings produce shallow roots and encourage weeds. Shallow roots also are unable to utilize available moisture and plant food.

Improper mowing is responsible for the deterioration of many lawns, says the specialist, who advises against clipping more than one-half inch of growth at any single mowing. Keep the grass at a height of one and one-half to two inches, depending upon the turf thickness. Close mowing will thin the turf, lowering its resistance to drought.

Final, Trew says a sharp, well-adjusted mower that clips off, not crushes off, the tips will give lawns a final "well-groomed" look.

Teenagers Hold Dance At Woman's Club

The teenagers held a dance at the Womens Club Saturday night, at which 58 were present. Sponsors for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cabaniss, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morrison. Door prizes were won by Ronnie Kutzer and Sissie Mundine.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cakes were served.

Baptist Women Meet At Townsend Home

Women of the First Baptist Church at Fulton and of Northside Baptist Church of Rockport, met today at the home of Mrs. E. Townsend to study the mission book, "Under the North Star." The lesson was given by Mrs. Figgert of the First Baptist Church of Aransas Pass.

Jaguars Still Roam The Trails of Texas

The great days of big game hunting are not entirely past; although not as plentiful as when Audubon remarked that they were found from Louisiana to the Rio Grande, an occasional jaguar still treads the trails of Texas.

Once these great cats, most powerful and largest of any in the New World, roamed as far north as the Red River. They were common in southwest Texas; Audubon says that in 1845 jaguars frequented watering places around San Antonio; Sam Houston mentions them as abundant along the Guadalupe; and one was killed close to where Rockport now stands. Others have been shot near Goldwaite, in the shinnery breaks of Mills County, at London in Kimble County, and, last of all, (so far as the writer knows), on the San Jose Ranch, south of Barreda, some ten years ago. Others have, without doubt, crossed the Rio Grande since.

The Goldthwaite animal, killed in 1903, has become almost a legend, and many people believed it was the last of its kind in the State. How wrong this was no one knew until a national magazine carried an article in 1953 saying that this was so. Immediately a flood of letters commenced, naming so many killed since, that in desperation the magazine gave up, willing to admit that jaguars still lived in Texas.

Endowed with tremendous strength and agility, their list of prey includes almost any bird or animal that comes within reach: javelinas, deer, turkeys, alligators, turtles, and even fish!

They can be very destructive to live stock, and the one at Goldthwaite was no exception. It had been killing goats, and three local men, Homer Brown, Henry Morris and Johnny Walton headed out to find the varmint.

They started the cat three miles south of Center City, just at dark, and after their hounds chased him for three miles, the jaguar treed. Homer Brown shot him through the body with a forty-five and

when the beast fell out of the tree, the dogs chased him for another mile and a half before he turned.

Henry Morris, who had left to secure help, then returned with reinforcements. In all, nine men took part in the fight. Bill Morris rode in too close, and the powerful cat ripped his horse so badly that it died. Out of ten hounds that started the chase, only three were in at the kill, which took place at midnight. One of the others had been killed, and several were wounded.

This jaguar measured six and a half feet long, 36 inches around the chest, 21 inches around the forearm, and weighed 140 pounds.

The one at Barreda was a cattle killer. Chased by three packs of dogs, it bounded out of the brush in front of Reynaldo Ramirez, who was on stand at an open spot, and he let it have a load of buckshot that went wild. The cat charged, and a hound cut across and closed, only to be swept aside with a mighty sweep of the beast's paw which ripped the dog apart, while the jaguar continued its rush towards Ramirez, who fired another load of buckshot at the snarling raider. All but one of the shot missed the animal. This one struck it in the neck, and as it slowed its charge to brush away the sting of the wound, Ramirez pumped six more shots into the spotted fury, everyone of which went home.

This one measured seven and a half feet, had claws more than an inch long, fangs that were more than two inches, and weighed 200 pounds.

Circle No. 1 of the Methodist WSCS met Thursday, March 24 at the home of Mrs. B. W. Hamblin for the social. Mrs. E. G. Boggs was co-hostess.

Mrs. E. G. Cooke led the program, and was assisted by Mrs. Curtis Harist and Mrs. B. W. Hamblin.

A short business meeting followed, with Mrs. M. J. Bearden presiding.

Refreshments of strawberry punch and cake was served to 22 members.

Advertisement for Maytag Appliances. Includes an image of a Maytag refrigerator and text: All Maytag Appliances On Display. ROCKPORT ELECTRIC CO. Phone 412. Rockport, Texas.

Advertisement for Western Auto Associate Store. Features an image of tires and text: Western Auto Associate Store. Guaranteed 2 Years Against Road Hazards! Automatic Curve Grippers! Davis Luxury Rides The Curve Safety Tire! 6.70 x 15, Mounted! Regular 19.34 13.95\*. UP TO \$60.00 TRADE IN ON YOUR OLD TIRES. Expert Motor Tune Up Radio Repair. WESTERN AUTO Associate Store. Home Owned and Operated by JACK McCREADY. PHONE 879. ROCKPORT.

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## VFW Elects Officers

Stewart-Wendell Post 3904, Veterans of Foreign Wars, held their annual election of officers Wednesday night.

C. V. Gray was elected commander; senior vice president is Oscar Dye; junior vice president, William Russell; chaplain, Oliver Brundrett; quartermaster, Charles Garrett; judge advocate, Richard Happner; surgeon, C. O. Bailey; trustees, 3-year term, John McDavid; 2-year term, James Sorenson, Jr.; 1-year term, Louis T. Cannon.

A joint installation of officers will be held with the Ladies Auxiliary some time in April, the date to be announced later.

## SCOUTS GET BADGES

At a Court of Honor Tuesday night at the Boy Scout Hut Second Class awards were presented to William Johnson, Jr., Robert Ayers and Dee Jeffries. A special guest was Dr. L. R. Faulk, member of the National Scouting Board from Minnesota. The need for two Explorer advisors was explained and plans laid for finding them.

## S. A. LAWYER—

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sas County is owned by non-residents of the county who would pay 75 per cent of the cost of the new courthouse. It is my opinion that most of the non-resident property owners believe in progress and would not object to paying a few extra dollars toward building a new modern courthouse in which to safely preserve the records of their titles and which would also tend to increase the value of their property.

If the courthouse bond issue is defeated it will be by the vote of the residents of Aransas County.

My suggestion would be to consult several architects who have had experience in the construction of modern court and jail houses. Get ideas from all over the country. I would further suggest that your building committee ascertain the locations of courthouses that have been recently constructed and go and inspect some of them. In this way you would get new ideas on spacing and modern equipment. It would be time and money well spent. It is a fact that most of the courthouses over the country that were built a number of years ago are insufficient to meet the present day needs.

I agree with Sheriff Shivers' suggestion to build the new jail first, which I presume would be fireproof, and use it as a temporary courthouse while the new courthouse is being constructed. The new jail would at least afford a safe storage space for the records while the new courthouse is under construction.

I hope you will succeed in building a courthouse that will be attractive and adequate for years to come.

Yours truly,  
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## WATERFRONT—

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have the bill placed on the first local calendar day in the Senate. The bill would set limits of 14 inches on redfish and trout and 12 inches on flounder.

The Wisconsin Conservation Bulletin mentions a problem in this issue that is sometimes a burning one in this state. It says:

"The Hamlin Lake Improvement Association (Mich.) has brought a hot issue into the open. It has demanded that the Michigan Department of Conservation stock fish in Hamlin Lake for 'advertising purposes', and has threatened to bring the matter before the Legislature."

"A representative of the booster group admitted that stocking would probably not do any good from the fishing standpoint, but maintained it would be 'good public relations' and that resort operators would be able to win more business by pointing to the stocking in their advertising."

"Angry protests have greeted this proposal that conservation funds be diverted to needless stocking. The Michigan United Conservation Clubs has announced that it will fight."

"R. W. Eschmeyer, executive vice-president of the Sport Fishing Institute, commented that 'Michigan can't afford to fall for this sort of thing,' and declared, 'The public isn't as gullible about stocking as it was years ago. Many a modern tourist-angler would bypass the area if he knew the lake was stocked for 'advertising purposes only.'"

The Wisconsin magazine suggests that there are definite advertising possibilities in having this statement posted on lakes or other fishing waters:

"Found by the Conservation Department to have a fish population that shows no need of additional stocking."

Rep. Harold Parish's coastal Salt Water Conservation Commission bill was completely rewritten in the House subcommittee on game and fish, but the final draft was described by the author as "a good deal." It provides that all counties washed by tidewaters of the Gulf of Mexico be in the district governed by nine commissioners. The commission is empowered to promulgate regulations on fishing, both commercial and sports. To settle the fight over revenues from sale of mud-shell, the committee agreed upon a 50 percent division of the income between the district and the state general fund. The conservation district also was allotted all its revenues from tags and licenses. Provided in the bill is transfer from the present Game & Fish Commission of all equipment and personnel concerned with its work on the coast.

The bill is on the House floor with a Game and Fish Committee recommendation that it pass.

The measure which encountered considerable objection on the part of State Game & Fish Commission adherents was approved by the House committee, 10-7.

Under the bill all counties on the Gulf Coast are to be encompassed into a salt water game and fish commission, separate and apart from the Game and Fish Commission. The newly created commission is to take over administration of matters pertaining to salt water fish and birds and regulation of hunting and fishing in its area. It will have its own revenues and budget.

A stiff fight on the House floor is anticipated.

To get away from the coast for a while, I've heard of sheep-killing coons; an outdoors magazine carried a story on one a while back, and since then a couple of Texas papers have carried others, on coons in the Hill Country, that acquired a taste for mutton.

In the same magazine that carried the first story was another, on fishing for ling (or, as they called them, black bonito) in Chesapeake Bay. In this story there was a picture of a mighty fisherman, his rod bowed, presumably by a ling, and by his side crouched another man, with, so help me, it's so, a rifle, and underneath the explanation said: "Ling (or black bonito) can be dangerous!"

Some idiotic things can happen in hunting and fishing, but the idea of hunting ling with a high-powered rifle, because "ling can be dangerous" was never one that had occurred to me before.

That should have topped everything, but only a few days later, a rabbit story turned up, from Voghera, Italy. It was a sort of Bugs Bunny-Elmer Fudd deal, where the rabbit put the man in the hospital. It said, to be brief, "A 22-pound wild rabbit attacked the hunter that wounded it with a shotgun near here, sending him to the hospital with bites and scratches!"

Boy, what a story; or rather, what stories! Sheep-killing coons, man-eating ling, and now homicidal rabbits! What next? Maybe pistol-packing possums!

## Sheriff Shivers Receives Letter From Early Visitor to This Area

Sheriff Arley Shivers recently received the following letter from an early visitor to this area. Addressed to the Chief of Police of Rockport, it says:

"Dear Sir:

"Was wondering if you would do me a big favor.

"I don't know any of your newspaper offices, so I am writing to you.

"Perhaps you would either look them up and give them this letter or send me their names.

"The best I can remember, it was in 1909 or 1910. I think I was six years old. It was in the fall, for I know we spent Christmas on the plains of Texas.

"We left Portales, New Mexico, in two covered wagons, and I remember it was cold.

"My dad had a little banty hen as a pet, and she roosted on the coupling pole of the wagon. She was frozen to death one morning.

"There was my dad, one brother about 16, a sister 13, and me, in one wagon. My dad's sister, her daughter and husband, and their five children, 2, 5, 7, 9 and 11, four girls and one boy, were in the other. It took us seven weeks to make that part of the trip.

"Some man came out to meet us and took some pictures. Then we left and went by boat to Port Lavaca. I have forgotten how long it took by boat. It take it back, we went to Olivia. That is across the bay. Dad shipped by train around 12 head of horses and furniture for three families. His brother-in-law went with the box cars from Portales, and met us there.

"That is where in Rockport they took the picture. If there is any way of getting one of these pictures I would think it a great thing. There are lots of people I have told this to, and they seem to think I have had a pipe dream. Also, although my sister thinks I can't locate any of the pictures, I told her I could try.

"I'll be 52 in 1955; she was 58 in January, 1955. My dad's name was John, or J. A. Evans. My aunt and uncle were Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCormick. Their daughter and son-in-law were named Marion Canning.

"They live in Olympia, Washington, now.

Mrs. Nora Engstrom  
1918 N. Mullen Street,  
Tacoma 7, Washington."

It would be interesting indeed if someone in this area had copies of the picture to which Mrs. Engstrom refers.

Many kinds of animals change their color to suit the season. Snowshoe rabbits are brown during the summer, white in winter. However, such animals are not albinos. A true albino is white all the time, and generally has pink eyes.

## Dove Hunting Bill Proposes Changes

Rescheduling of dove hunting season in South Zone of Texas to coincide with that of quail shooting is provided in a resolution recently introduced in the Texas Legislature by Rep. R. H. Cory, Victoria.

In accordance with provisions of the bill the present dove season of Oct. 1 to Nov. 9 is to be discontinued, and the new schedule is to be Dec. 1 to Jan. 16.

Rep. Cory said under present laws some hunters take quail during the dove season and actually enjoy a four-month quail season in so doing.

The Victoria delegate also observed that doves in the early South Zone season are not mature.

The present overlapping seasons, he said, have caused a rapid depletion of both game birds. Another reason given for the change is the difficulty of law enforcement.

## DEEP TEST—

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attached. Permitted to 10,700 feet, this test is in J. Fessenden Survey, A-65.

Drilling below 7,750 feet on a 8,900-foot permit was underway at Heep Oil Corp. and others No. 5 Zeph Ronquette and others, West Rockport Field test 2 1/2 miles west of Rockport in C. B. Luck Subdivision, Puerto Bay Lands.

Heep Oil Corp. and others No. 4 Zeph Ronquette and others, West Rockport Field producer 2 1/2 miles west of Rockport, has been gauged for an absolute open flow potential of 22.5 million cubic feet of gas daily. Gas-distillate ratio is 30,000-1 and liquid gravity is 53.5.

Production is from perforations at 9,668-92 feet in 5-inch liner set at 10,745 feet, with total depth 10,750 feet. Flow is through 3/4-inch choke with 1,800 pounds tubing pressure. The well is on a 300-acre lease in C. B. Lucas Subdivision, Puerto Bay Lands.

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