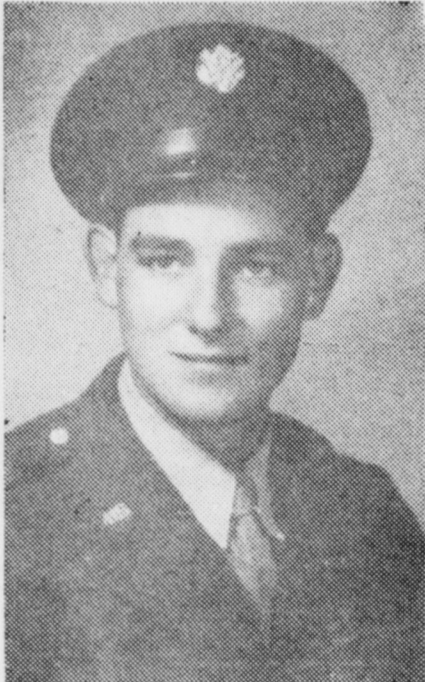


HALF RED CROSS QUOTA RAISED FIRST WEEK

WOUNDED



FRED BRACHT, JR.
In Hand-to-Hand Fight

Freddy Bracht, Jr., 23-year-old Rockport soldier, escaped serious injury in hand to hand fighting in Manila, according to a letter received by his parents. He was slightly wounded in the neck by a fragment from a hand grenade while engaged in taking a public building from the Japs. He was the only one in his group not seriously injured by the explosion. Freddy is with the 148th Infantry of the 37th Division, which is under the command of Major General Robert S. Beightley.

Bracht has been overseas about eighteen months, and has participated in such actions as Bougainville, and the Lingayen invasion.

Piloting

Rockport is on the threshold of one of its best investments as a community, and that is the voting of bonds for the gymnasium. We are finding in this war more than ever that the true wealth of the nation lies in our youth and that the greatest necessity in their training is proper guidance of their physical lives.

For teachers to carry on their work in this field without a gymnasium is very similar to teaching the three Rs without books and classrooms.

With such a gymnasium as we sincerely hope for, Rockport would have facilities to act as host to the participants in many athletic tournaments held over the state from year to year. The double benefits

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AIR NURSE



LT. TERESA MCKNIGHT
Goes Overseas

Lt. Teresa D. McKnight, niece of Rev. J. H. Kelley, left Brooks Field recently for overseas duty. She received her wings as an Air Evacuation Nurse from the Army Air Evacuation School at Louisville, Kentucky. She has been in the army over three years, and has been a frequent visitor here.

She is a graduate of the Incarnate Word Academy of Corpus Christi, and also of the Santa Rosa School of Nursing in San Antonio. She has two brothers in the service, and her parents reside in Sunnyside, Utah.

WOODSBORO - GREGORY HIGHWAY DESIGNATED

Fox Says New Highway Will Be Of Great Value

Two and Half Miles of New Designation In Aransas County

County Judge B. S. Fox is in receipt of a telegram from State Senator Fred Mauritz stating: "Highway Commission granted your request for designation of highway from Woodsboro to Gregory."

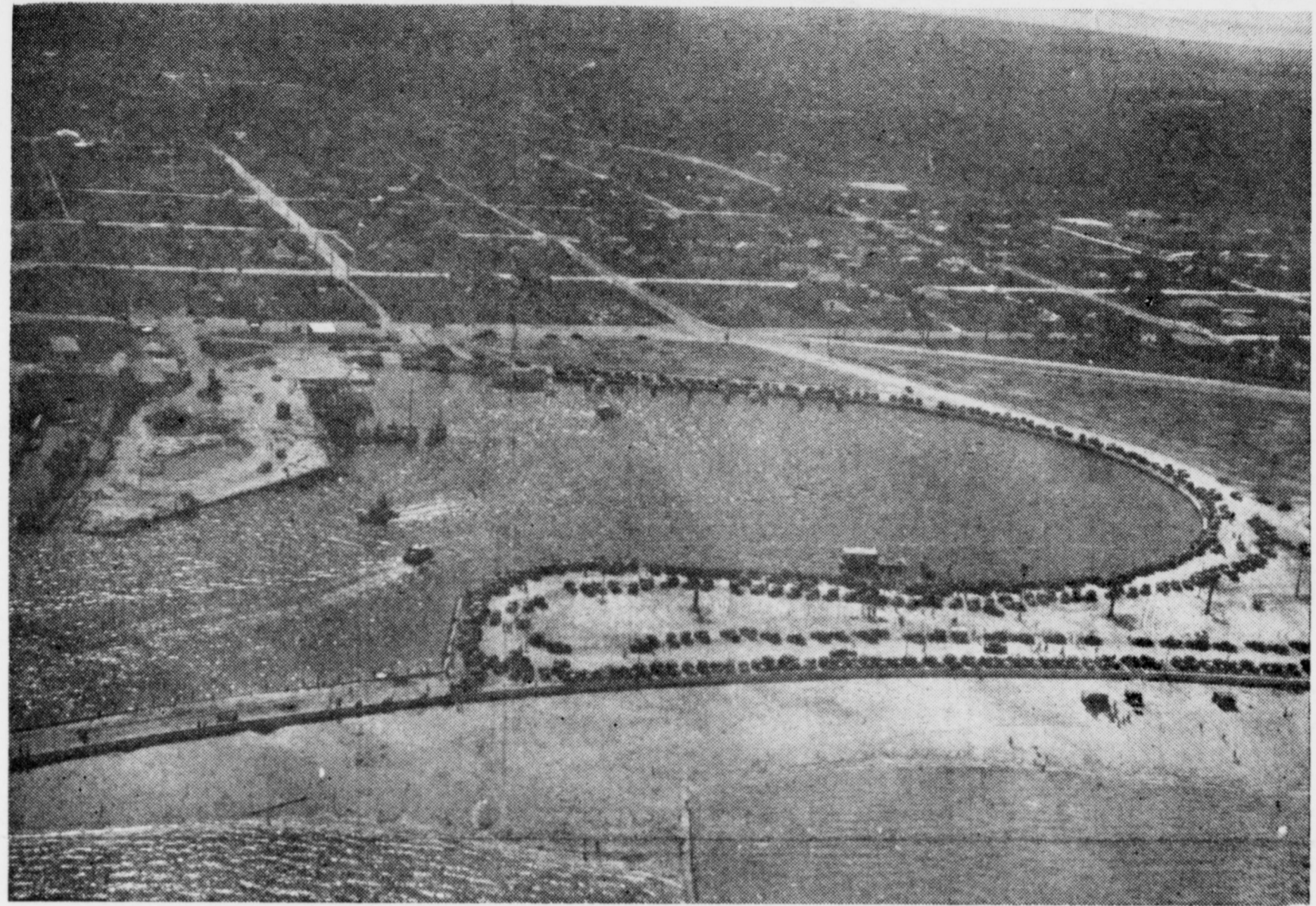
Judge Fox, instigator of the movement to secure the designation secured the cooperation of the commissioners courts of Refugio and San Patricio counties in presenting an application for the new highway to the highway commission. He said that the new highway when built would be of great value to Aransas county and would save the county considerable money in maintenance of the road.

Judge Fox pointed out that the new highway would be a connecting link between the county seat towns of the three counties, and that eventually might be a connecting link with a direct highway from Beeville to Uvalde.

Only a two and a half miles of the new proposed highway will be in Aransas county, crossing one corner on the west side.

Fox pointed out that designation of the highway does not mean that construction has been authorized. He expects the new highway to be a post war highway development.

YACHT BASIN BIG ASSET OF NAVIGATION DISTRICT



Rockport's 12-acre concrete-rimmed yacht basin and "fish bowl" is the biggest asset of the Aransas County Navigation District. The basin furnishes dockage for many pleasure craft and during each winter affords the finest fishing on the coast for many hundreds of people. The basin was built in 1939 after voting of \$145,000 in bonds. It was officially opened with a ceremony on July 4th, attended by thousands. Above is a picture of a celebration on July 4th, 1940.

School Board Reelects Teachers, State Aid Sought

At a recent meeting of the school board all teachers now employed in the Rockport schools were re-elected for duty for the school year beginning next September.

Also the Board took action favoring a request for state aid in obtaining additional teachers. The greatest need at this time, according to Supt. Morgan C. Wheeler, is for a full time athletic director and physical education instructor, and for a full time instructor in the industrial arts.

It is pointed out that state aid is very difficult to get, and that the school board will need the full backing of the people to obtain this aid.

Kit Bags Leave On Schedule From Here

It has been announced that the quota of 288 kit bags to be sent from here by the local Red Cross Chapter were sent off on schedule. This announcement came from Mrs. Fred Brundrett, chairman special services, and Mrs. John C. Sorenson, chairman production.

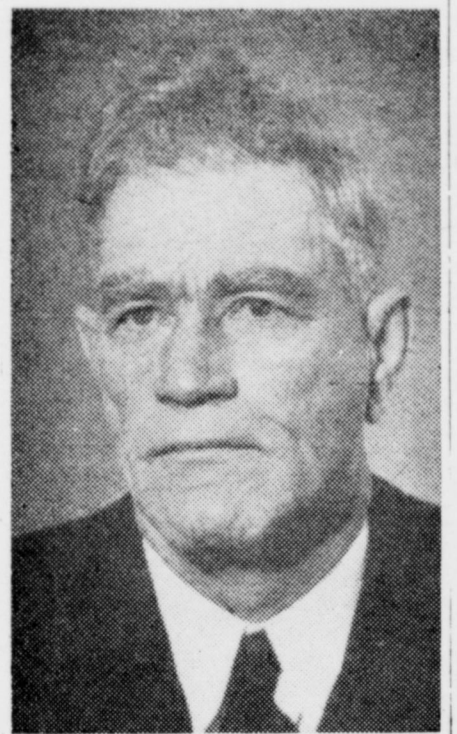
In their announcement, the officials said, "We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the ladies in Aransas county who answered the emergency call on the kit bags. The quota of 288 bags was sent off at the specified time. More material is still on hand, and in order to make Aransas county go "over the top" in this emergency as well as she has in other projects, friends are urged to continue the good work until the material has been used."

Tire Found Near Carbon Black Plant

More precious, than gold, and a treasure sought by all who wish to venture outside the city limits, and it was lost—and then found!

An automobile tire bearing the serial number 230693178 was found near the carbon black plant by T. C. Stout. The tire is described as a 700 x 20 8 ply Goodrich Silvertown.

The rightful owner can recover his lost treasure by applying at the sheriff's office, and presenting proper papers.



CHAS. T. PICTON
Navigation Commissioner

Barn Dance To Be Staged At Fulton

The Stewart-Wendell post and Auxiliary of the V.F.W. is sponsoring a barn dance in Casterline's Fish House at Fulton. The entertainment will take place March 17, and a string band from Corpus Christi will furnish the music. Coffee and sandwiches will be served.

Auto Tag Sale Lags

The sale of 1945 auto license is progressing faster than last year, but not fast enough. This was indicated by the clerks at the court house Wednesday afternoon.

At that time 115 licenses had been sold, whereas up to the same time last year only 44 plates had been written up.

Officials are urging citizens to obtain their plates ahead of time and avoid a 'last minute' rush.

Marshall T. Anderson Named As New Member On Navigation Commission

Picton and Wendell Re-Appointed to Commission

Marshall T. Anderson was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Navigation Commission by the Navigation Board while it was in session last week. The vacancy was created when Fred Buchanan left the city early this winter.

The Navigation Commission is named by a joint board consisting of members of the City council and the County Commissioners Court. Other members of the commission, reappointed last week, are Chas. T. Picton and Ray Wendell. Picton is secretary-treasurer and Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries is bookkeeper. Hugh Morrison is harbor master.

Picton has been a navigation commissioner for six years and Wendell for three years.

The history of the commission is a long one and filled with activity. The first commission was served by J. S. Peter, now of San Antonio, A. L. Bruhl, and A. C. Glass. During the terms of these members the harbor lines were laid out and the first rock jetty was built in 1925. Shortly after this the government dredged the harbor to a depth of 6 feet, and then later it was dredged to 9 feet up to a line where the old railroad pier once stood.

According to Picton, the activity of the commission is now held at a minimum by war time restrictions.

Biggest undertaking of the navigation district came in 1939 when \$145,000 was voted to build a modern small craft harbor and do other waterfront improvements. The work was completed in 1940, including extension of bulkheading.

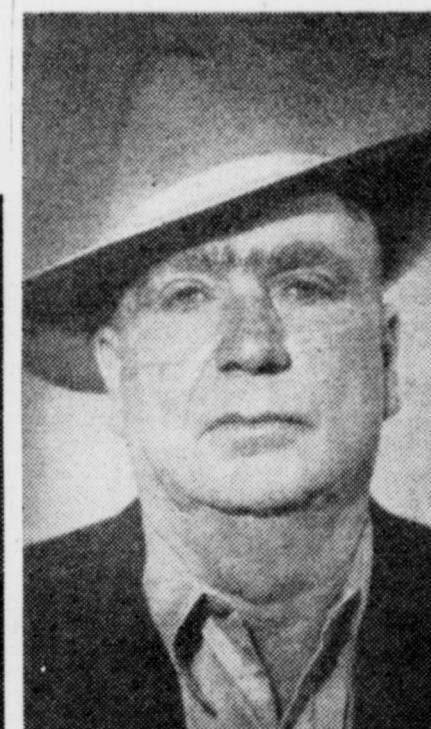
Community Sanitation And Food Handling Subject At Meeting

A representative of the Sanitation Department of the Corpus Christi Health Unit will conduct the regular class of the Red Cross Home Nursing group in the science room of the Rockport High School. The class will be conducted on Monday, March 12, at 2:45 p. m.

The program will include work on community sanitation and food handling, and will be open to the general public. Food handlers are especially urged to attend.



MARSHALL T. ANDERSON
New Commission Member



RAY WENDELL
Navigation Commissioner

Johnson Services Held At Fulton

Mrs. Eula Mae Johnson, 41, died after an illness of over twelve months. She died in her home in Fulton Sunday afternoon and was buried in the Fulton Cemetery Monday afternoon. Services were held in the Fulton Community Church with Rev. Frank Walker officiating.

The Cage Funeral Home was in charge of the services.

Mrs. Johnson is survived by her husband, Ernest Johnson, one son, Christopher McAlee; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. James, one sister of Swifton, Arkansas, and one brother, Lawrence James, who is overseas.

Mrs. H. A. Brundrett, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson, and Mrs. Wayne Manship, all of Dilley, Texas attended the funeral.

Orphan's Home Leader to Speak Here

Reverend N. R. Hawkins of the Presbyterian Orphans Home at Itasca, Texas will preach at the Presbyterian church here. The sermon will be given Sunday, March 11, at 7:45 p. m. A cordial invitation to hear this sermon is extended to the people of the community.

People Show Realization Of War Needs

Most Contributors Giving More Money This Year Than Last

The current Red Cross Drive is meeting with success in every respect, and the public shows better appreciation of the work accompanied by the Red Cross than in several years, according to Chas. T. Picton, chairman of the Aransas County Drive. He announced that half the quota has been raised.

"Taking it as a whole, the workers have met with generous response," Picton said, "but a good deal of territory is yet to be covered—and no one will be overlooked."

He went on to say that in many cases contributions from business houses have been made both in the place of business and in the homes of the operators.

A big factor in obtaining the \$1500 already received from contributors has been the very generous response of travelers and vacationists at the tourist courts according to Mrs. S. F. Jackson, publicity chairman of the drive.

Officials of the drive, Mrs. Jackson reported, are confident that the goal will be attained in the usual Rockport way.

Little Willie Close Hits Scaly Jackpot

The dock and fish house were dripping from a wet easterly wind at midnight last night when "Little Willie" nosed up and made fast. Willie Close, her master and owner had been rewarded for long weeks of waiting and trying only as a fishermen can, by bringing in 5,000 pounds of sheephead as a single days catch. Close left the dock about six yesterday morning, and in the eighteen hours following was a very busy man until his boat was loaded.

The value of the catch was estimated as several hundred dollars, and was enhanced by a very favorable market.

HELPED SOFTEN



JACK GREER, S. 1-c
... Back from Pacific

Jack G. Greer, S. 1-c, is back from the Pacific war theatres, after having had a hand in softening up four islands for major landings in the Pacific. He visited his wife's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Crawford. Greer went into the Navy in January, 1944, and went on a battleship immediately after finishing boot training. He said his ship had been bombed many times, and that one attack lasted for eight or ten hours. He said that everybody was confident that the U. S. could meet and beat the Japs anywhere, anytime, and that his and all his shipmates greatest desire was to whip the Japs and get it over with and come home.

Womanless Wedding To Be Staged Fri. Night

A womanless wedding is to be staged at the Fulton Community Church at 8 p. m. on March 9. No charges will be made for the show but a free will offering will be taken up. Proceeds are to be used toward paying off the \$881 still out standing on the church building. It is hoped that this debt will be paid off by April 1.

The cast of the wedding is being kept secret and it is suspected that considerable speculation is developing over who is going to be who. A reception will be held at the Fulton School after the wedding.

Funeral Services Held for Clarence Edward Brundrett

Clarence Edward Brundrett, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Brundrett, died March at the Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi. Services were held at the Cage Funeral Home in Rockport with Rev. W. H. Morrison officiating.

The baby is survived by its parents, one brother, John L. Jr.; and one sister, Glenda Dee.

George S. Sanders, of the Fish and Wildlife Service at Brownsville was an overnight guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Collier this week.

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tions will be charged for at the
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Coffee Honors Mrs.
Bloyd Of Houston

Mrs. Leonard Roberts gave a
small coffee Tuesday afternoon in
honor of Mrs. Ted Bloyd of Hous-
ton, who came down to visit her
son, Seamon 2nd class George
Bloyd, for a few days.

While here Mrs. Bloyd was a
guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs.
Joe Smith.

Mrs. Roberts served pecan pie
and coffee to Mrs. Bloyd, Mrs. Joe
Smith, Mrs. J. W. DeForest and
Seaman 2nd class Bloyd.

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Auxiliary Holds Final Meeting
Of Year; Installs New Officers

In commemoration of Texas In-
dependence Day, red white and
blue were featured in the decora-
tions Thursday afternoon when
Mrs. J. F. Brundrett and Mrs. J.
T. Barker entertained both circles
of the Presbyterian Auxiliary at
the Manse.

Mrs. T. H. Pollard, president,
presided over the meeting and
as it was the last meeting of
the Auxiliary year, called on var-
ious officers for their annual re-
ports and explained the organiza-
tion of the Auxiliary.

During the business meeting
members voted to have a "Histori-
cal Party" which is being looked
forward to with much interest.
Those on the committee to plan
the affair are Mrs. Henry Bailey,
Mrs. George Lee Brundrett, Mrs.
J. W. Brundrett and Mrs. Byron
Bushart.

Installation services were then
conducted by Rev. T. H. Pollard to
install two new circle chairman,
Mrs. Fred Cloberdants and Mrs.
Ted Little, and half of the Auxil-
iary officers who were elected this
year to serve for two years. Mrs.
Leonard Casterline was installed
as president for the coming year,

Mrs. George Lee Brundrett as
Historian; Mrs. Marshall Ander-
son, Secretary of Christian Edu-
cation and Ministerial Relief; Mrs.
J. T. Barker, secretary of Synod
and Presbyterian Home Missions;
Mrs. T. H. Pollard, Secretary of
Spiritual Lift; Mrs. J. D. Hase-
man, Secretary of Literature; and
Mrs. Hugh Morrison, Secretary of
Christian Social Service.

Red hibiscus and white narcissus
were placed about the reception
rooms. In the dining room the buf-
fet was decorated with a large bowl
which was filled with the same
flowers and covered in blue crepe
paper and tied with large red
paper bows. On either side were
tall white candles, the bases of
which were wrapped in the blue
paper and tied with red bows.

Refreshments were served from
the dining room table which was
laid with a white cutwork cloth
and centered with a large crystal
bowl holding two United States
Flags and an arrangement of Tex-
as Bluebonnets. The centerpiece
was flanked by crystal candelabra
holding lighted red tapers.

Mrs. Barker poured coffee and
Mrs. Haseman served chicken salad
on lettuce leaves and cake squares
topped with whipped cream and
small Texas Flags.

Those present were Mrs. Harry
Mills, Mrs. Flody Smith, Mrs.
Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Leonard Caster-
line, Mrs. W. I. Miller of Fort
Worth, Mrs. Hugh Morrison, Mrs.
W. H. Morrison, Mrs. James Lath-
rop, Mrs. Henry Bailey, Mrs. Byron
Bushart, Mrs. McNatt, Mrs. J. W.
Brundrett, Mrs. G. L. Brundrett,
Mrs. Fred Cloberdants, Mrs. Ted
Little, Mrs. J. D. Haseman, Mrs.
Marshall Anderson, Mrs. J. T.
Barker, Mrs. J. F. Brundrett and
Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard.

Presbyterian Young
People Have Meeting

Jimmy and Bobby Morrison were
hosts Wednesday week when mem-
bers of the Presbyterian Young
People's society met at the Manse
for their study of "Luke" and a
social hour.

Nineteen members were present
and were served chocolate cup
cakes iced in white, pineapple-nut
cup cakes with pink icing and
punch.

Dinner Party
Is Given At
Simmons Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ried Simmons en-
tertained members of the T.E.L.
and Men's Bible Class and addi-
tional friends with a lovely dinner
party on their lawn Thursday
night.

A long table was laid with a
white linen cloth and decorated
with vases of Turks Cap. Mrs.
Houston Ratliff and Mrs. Lloyd
Smith assisted Mrs. Simmons in
serving the forty guests present.

The dinner consisted of creamed
guinea on toast, candied apples,
creamed potatoes, pinto beans,
deveiled eggs, jello salad, pickles,
olives and a huge angel food cake.
Since the party was given on Mrs.
Simmons birthday anniversary, the
white cake was her birthday cake
and was decorated with green
candles.

Guests surprised Mrs. Simmons
when Mrs. E. J. Meyers and Mrs.
Kim Haynes appeared with a large
laundry basket filled with many
nice gifts and the group started
singing, Happy Birthday.

After dinner, the T.E.L. had its
regular meeting. They conducted
a short business meeting and the
monthly reports were given.

Those enjoying the hospitality
were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Caster-
line, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith,
Mrs. Walter Bell, Mr. and Mrs.
Kim Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Earl
Wright, Mrs. Ruel Thompson, Mrs.
J. H. May, Mrs. Somer Smith,
Edgar Jacobson, Rev. and Mrs.
E. J. Meyers, Mrs. Winnie Lee
Miller, Mrs. Mabel Bryant, Miss
Ruth Lipscomb.

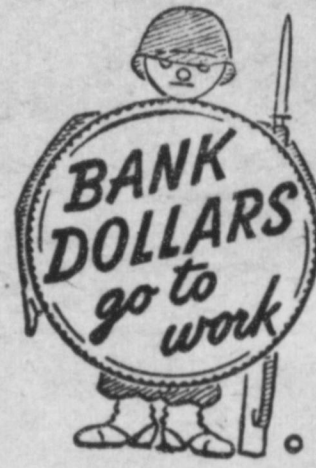
Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Raulerson,
Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Daggett, C. E.
Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. A. O.
Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. A. M.
McNatt, Mrs. H. Ratliff, Mr. and
Mrs. W. S. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs.
Edgar Barber, La Verne Thomp-
son, John Freeman, Katherine
Freeman, Jackie Smith, Mr. and
Mrs. Simmons and Jimmy Reid.

WMU Members
Enjoy Covered
Dish Luncheon

Both circles of the Women's Mis-
sionary Society of the Baptist
church met at the church Monday
for an all-day of Prayer for the
Home Missions and a covered dish
luncheon.

Mrs. Babel Bryant had charge of
the program. Those taking parts
on the program were Mrs. Glenn
Shuffield, Mrs. Tom Shults, and
Mrs. A. O. Freeman. Mrs. Tipson
sang a solo.

Eighteen members were present
for the religious program and
lunch.



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Eastern Star Has Initiation
Services For Four Candidates

The Lodge hall was beautifully
decorated Monday night when mem-
bers of the Eastern Star held ini-
tiation services for four candidates.

Mrs. J. F. Brundrett, worthy
matron, and A. C. Glass, worthy
patron, presided over the ceremony
and all members took part in the
initiation. The four candidates
initiated were Mrs. Houston Rat-
liff, Mrs. R. H. Dickens, Mrs. J. W.
Haynes and Mrs. Vernie Smith.

Floor Baskets and vases of color-
ful flowers were placed at vantage
points about the hall and emble-
matic flowers were used at the five
Star Points. On the piano was an
attractive arrangement of cactus
blossoms and calendulas.

The St. Patricks motif was
carried out in the refreshment
course served after the services.
Mrs. James Hooper, Mrs. Albert
Collier and Mrs. Fred Diederich
were on the refreshment committee
and they served open faced green
and white Shamrock sandwiches,
chicken salad on lettuce leaves top-
ped with a cream sauce and green
olives, and 7-up in green bottles
which were wrapped in gay St.
Patricks napkins and served with
green and white straws.

Twenty-one members and five
visitors were present. Visitors were
Mrs. Jessie Sontag of Cogswell,
North Dakota, Mrs. Emma Sepis
of Jacksboro, Mrs. W. I. Miller of
Fort Worth, Mrs. J. Ed. Moore and
Mrs. Blanche Kuns.

Mrs. Weber Is
Hostess To
Study Club

The Fulton Bible Study met Tues-
day afternoon with Mrs. John We-
ber as hostess. Mrs. Frank Walker
gave the lesson on the sixth and
seventh chapters of "Exodus" and
Mrs. Golden Rowe gave the devo-
tional.

During the afternoon the mem-
bers held their monthly grab bag
and cleared \$5.25.

A refreshment course of coffee
and fruit cake were served to Mrs.
Fannie Mars, Mrs. Mattie Cole,
Mrs. Allen Johnson, Mrs. Will Mad-
den, Mrs. John Cole, Mrs. Fannie
Dietrich, Mrs. Fred Weber, Mrs.
Vallie Cole, Mrs. Charles Keefer,
Mrs. Frank Casterline, Mrs. Dea-
son, Tom DeForest, Mrs. W. B.
Johnson, Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Walker
and Mrs. Weber.

Rebekahs Have
Initiation For
Two Candidates

The Rebekah Lodge colors of
pink and green were featured in
the decorations Tuesday night
when two candidates were initiated
into the lodge. The candidates were
Leonard Youn and Mrs. Ora May.

Initiation services were held with
the Rebekah degree drill team in
charge. Mrs. J. C. Jacobsen is the
noble grand. Thirty five members
were present.

After the initiation ceremony a
social hour was enjoyed. The re-
freshments committee served
sandwiches, cookies and hot choco-
late. The refreshment course and
napkins further reflected the pink
and green theme.

County Singing
Convention Is
Well Attended

A large crowd of singers gather-
ed at the First Methodist church
here Sunday afternoon to partici-
pate in the Arkansas County Sing-
ing Convention. Joe Smith, presi-
dent and Guy Epps, secretary, were
in charge of the singing.

As an added feature on the pro-
gram, a quartet from Corpus Chris-
ti rendered several numbers.

The Convention is held the first
Sunday of each month and the
next meeting will be an all-day
affair on Easter Sunday at the
new church in Fulton. At that
time, the new Community Church
will be dedicated and a dinner will
be served on the grounds. Rev.
Frank Walker is the pastor.

Pollards Attend
Meet In Corpus

Harris Pollard, who is president
of the Corpus Christi District of
Young People of the Presbyterian
Church, and Mrs. T. H. Pollard at-
tended a meeting of the district
committee Friday afternoon in
Corpus Christi. Plans were discus-
sed for the Spring Rally. Rev. T. H.
Pollard accompanied them to Cor-
pus Christi.

Personals

CAGE FUNERAL HOME
Ambulance Service
Gentry Reynolds G. O. Hitchcock

Miss Shirley Johnson returned
to the University of Texas in
Austin Sunday after visiting sev-
eral days here with her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Travis Johnson. She
had for her guests while here, Miss
Rosemary Whitaker, also of Aus-
tin.

Miss Connie Kelly of Dallas was
the week-end guest of her uncle,
Father Kelly.

Father Disney had for his guest
over the week-end his sister, Miss
Betty Disney of Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Annice Taylor of Kings-
ville visited the I. E. Alleman and
other friends here Sunday and
Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Alleman
had as their guests Monday and
Tuesday of this week, Mr. and Mrs.
Tex Etheridge and daughter, Jud-
ith Lynn of Palacios.

Mrs. F. L. Boothe and Mrs. A.
L. Bruhl spent Tuesday in Corpus
Christi.

Mrs. Boyce Gillispie of Bayside
was here Tuesday afternoon visit-
ing her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Joe Smith.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Woodman and
son of Corpus Christi were here
over the week-end, staying in his
brothers' cottage on the beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clodey of
Hereford are here visiting relatives
and friends.

Miss Grace Barnard of Corpus
Christi visited her sister-in-law,
Mrs. Ed Barnard and children over
the week-end.

Aviation Cadet Charles Roe, Jr.
left Monday morning for Douglas
Ariz. after spending his furlough
here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Charles Roe.

Business visitors to San Antonio
Tuesday were M. C. T. C. Kelly,
Reed Simmons and A. O. Freeman.

Home over the week-end was
Roy Lee Hart, who is employed in
Raymondville. He visited his wife
and daughter, Dolly Lee.

Mrs. C. H. Grett, Jr. and son
and Mrs. Don Alger spent the Sat-
urday shopping in Corpus Christi.
Mrs. Grett and child remained for
a visit in the C. H. Grett home.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Lloyd Smith and family Sunday
were Mr. and Mrs. Ingle Turner
and children of Refugio, Mr. and
Mrs. Raymond Pearson and daugh-
ter, Kathleen Ann and Mr. and
Mrs. George Sorenson and daugh-
ter, Mrs. James Sledge of Palacios
and Mrs. J. W. Brundrett, Mrs. Don
Alger and Aviation Cadet Charles
A. Roe, Jr.

Mrs. Verna Day of Waco is visit-
ing in the home of her husband's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Day
of Fulton.

Visit In Refugio

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pitzer of
Refugio entertained a number of
friends from Rockport, Houston
and Bayside with a get-together
and sing-song at their home Mon-
day evening.

Those attending from here were
Mrs. Lura Jorden, Mrs. Bill Swann,
Mrs. J. W. DeForest and son, and
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith.

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Colleen Smith Entertains Bridge Group

Colleen Smith was hostess Saturday afternoon to two tables of high school bridge players.

Refreshments of potato salad, tuna fish sandwiches, muffins, candy mints and punch were served.

Those playing were Patti Ballou, Charlotte and Bonnie Cron, Mary Lou McLester, Lucille Haynes, Bonnie Blaylock of Bay City and Colleen Smith.

J. D. Spencer Is Honored With Weiner Roast

Mrs. Emory Spencer entertained Monday afternoon with a weiner roast for her son, J. D. Spencer, the occasion being his ninth birthday anniversary.

Refreshments of 'hot dogs' cokes, slices of cake, and stick candy were served.

Those attending were Steve and Johnny Atwood, Roy Allen and Marvin Davis, Bobby Sauer, Kathrynne Freeman, Joanne and Gary Smith, Jackie Smith, Charlotte Anne Gunter, Carol Jean Simpson, Milford Shuffield, Jerry Ballou, Joy Rowe, Verdell and Donna Faye Cosby, Bill Buckley, Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson, Mrs. Bales, Mrs. Spencer and J. D. Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thomerson returned home Monday night from a week's visit with his relatives in Christoval.

Dance Plans Are Made At Camp Fire Girls Meet

The Camp Fire Girls met Monday afternoon to make plans for a dance which will be held in connection with their anniversary week to be celebrated March 11 through 18.

Mrs. R. L. Hart read the rules on observing the week. Then the Camp Fire Girls worked on handkerchiefs which they are making to send to liberated countries.

Birthday Party Honors Barbara Jean Schuster

In celebration of her 5th birthday anniversary, Mrs. W. H. Schuster entertained with a party Monday afternoon for her daughter, Barbara Jean Schuster.

Outdoor games were enjoyed and then the group was called indoors for the unwrapping of the birthday gifts.

The dining room table was decorated with arrangements of pink roses and bluebonnets. Placed on the table was the lovely white birthday cake which held a spray of pink rosebuds and five pink candles. The refreshment course consisted of slices of birthday cake, cookies and punch.

Those enjoying the party were Berta Gene Shults, Wayne Ray Shults, June and Joan Hague, Glenn Blackwell, Elsie Blackwell, Carolyn Buchanan, Monte Rouquette, Wiona Roope, Nancy Court, Doris Jean Huffman, Gerald Huffman, Loyce Mae Shults, Tommy Shults, Tommy Key, Norma Lynn Key, Jo Helen May, Mrs. Roy Court, Jr., Mrs. Robert Key, Mrs. Francis Rouquette, Mrs. Fred Buchanan, Mrs. Tom Shults, Mrs. Ted Roope, Mrs. Gene Shults, Mrs. W. H. Schuster, Margaret Schuster and the honoree.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ARANSAS ROCKPORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

To the Resident Qualified Property Taxpaying Voters of Rockport Independent School District:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 10th day of March, 1945, within said District in obedience to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees on the 15th day of February, 1945, which is as follows:

On this the 15th day of February, 1945, the Board of Trustees of Rockport Independent School District convened in special session with the following members present: T. C. Kelly, Virgil Mullan, Algie Moss, Lloyd Smith, Sherman

Mundine, D. R. Simmons, Ted R. Little, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:

There came on to be considered the petition of C. C. Hayden and 49 other persons asking that an election be ordered upon the question of issuing bonds of said school district for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building to be used as a gymnasium, in said school district; and,

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Board of Trustees that said petition is signed by at least twenty qualified property taxpaying voters of said school district, who own taxable property in said district and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and is otherwise in conformity with law, the Board is of the opinion that said petition should be granted and said election as prayed for shall be ordered:

THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ROCKPORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

That an election be held in said Rockport Independent School District on the 10th day of March, 1945, which is within thirty days from the date of this order, at which election, in accordance with said petition, the following proposition shall be submitted to the resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said school district for their action thereupon:

"Shall the Board of Trustees of Rockport Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of said School District to the amount of \$30,000.00, to become due and payable serially, \$3,000.00 in each of the years 1946 to 1955,

both inclusive, and bearing interest at a rate not to exceed two and one-fourth (2 1/4%) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building to be used as a gymnasium in said School District, and if there shall be annually levied and collected on all the taxable property in said School District for the current year, and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to pay the principal thereof as the same becomes due."

The said election shall be held at the Main School Building in said Rockport Independent School District, and the following named persons are hereby appointed officers of said election: Miss Violet Percival, Judge; Miss Floy Kennedy, Clerk; Mrs. Alvin Brundrett, Clerk.

These reduced prices, however, will serve as a form of insurance against the disastrous inflation and depression which followed the first world war. The ballots for said election

shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF."

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote.

None but resident qualified property taxpaying voters of said Rockport Independent School District, who own taxable property in said District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The Secretary of this Board of Trustees shall forthwith issue a notice of said election stating in substance the contents of this election order and the time and place of said election, and said Secretary shall post a copy of such notice at three different places within the boundaries of said Rockport Independent School District, which posting shall be done not less than ten days prior to the

date fixed for said election.

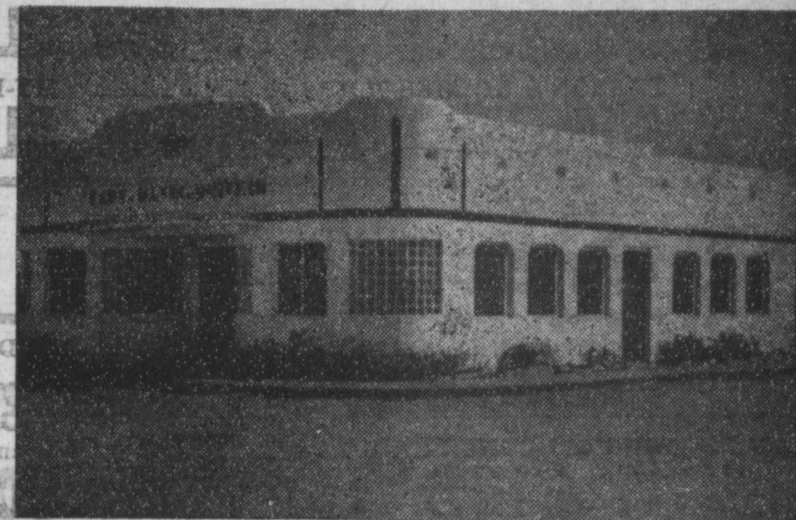
Immediately after said election has been held the officers holding the same shall make returns of the result thereof to the Board of Trustees of said School District, and return the ballot box to the Secretary of said Board for safe-keeping.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as near as

may be, by the General Election Laws of this State, except as modified by Articles 2785, 2786, 2788 and 2955a, Revised Statutes, 1925, and this Board of Trustees shall furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.

TED R. LITTLE Secretary, Board of Trustees (SEAL)

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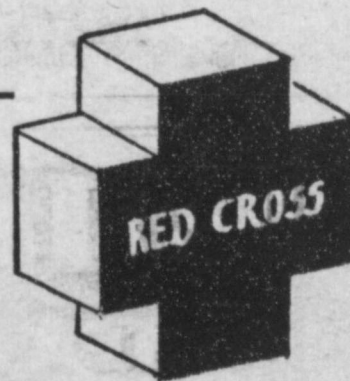
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PARSON'S HOUSEHOLD Ammonia, 10 oz. bottle 8c	HY-PRO BLEACH, qt. bottle .12c
TEXAS CUT Green Beans - - - 11c	NO. 2 CAN
HIND'S HONEY and ALMOND Cream 50c bottle . 39c	RED and WHITE PURE Egg Noodle 5 ounce pkg. . 8c 10 ounce pkg. . 15c
RED and WHITE KADOTA FIGS, No. 2 1/2 can . 37c	H and H REGULAR GRIND COFFEE, lb. pkg. : 27c
RED and WHITE PURPLE PLUMS - - - 19c	NO. 2 1/4 CAN
HERSHEY'S COCOA, 8 oz. pkg . 11c	KELLOGG'S RICE KRISPIES, reg. pkg. 12c
REGULAR SIZE PACKAGE KIX . . . , 12c	POLLY TOMATO PASTE 6 oz. can . 8c
RED and WHITE FLOUR 52c; 1.21; 2.34	10 LB. BAG 25-LB. BAG 50-LB. BAG
V-8 COCKTAIL, No. 2 Can 15c; Big 46-oz. can 32c	

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Personals

Dinner guests of Mrs. Herman Burroughs of Aransas Pass Wednesday evening were Mrs. Bill Cavitt and Mrs. R. L. Hart.

Chief Petty Officer Eddie Coward and his brother, Rusty Coward, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bissett and Mrs. R. L. Hart Sunday. Chief Coward has just returned from overseas.

Visiting in Ingleside with friends Saturday were Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson and Mrs. Bill Cavitt.

A number of Rockport people were in Corpus Christi Friday. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hart and daughter, Dolly Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bissett, Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson, Mrs. Bill Cavitt and Mrs. Charlyne Hunt.

Mrs. Fred Buchanan, Jr. and daughter, Carolyn, are leaving today for the valley where they will visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchanan, in Alamo for three or four weeks.

Jack Sanders, recently injured sailor, is at home on leave, and will enjoy a thirteen day leave visiting with his mother, Mrs. L. E. Sanders.

Mrs. Sanders also is enjoying the visit of George B. Sanders from Dallas. A. C. Pancoast and Bob Carr from San Antonio are visitors in the Sanders home.

Chief Petty Officer Chester Johnson, who has recently been transferred to duty in Galveston, was here over the week-end visiting his wife, Mrs. Johnson and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mills. Mrs. Johnson accompanied him back to Galveston and they will make their home there as long as he is assigned to that station.

CONGRATULATIONS

A son was born Wednesday morning at 4 o'clock to Mr. and Mrs. Norvle Crabb here.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the City Hall of Rockport between the hours of 8 o'clock a. m. and 6 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, April 3, 1945, for the purpose of electing an alderman from each of the Wards Numbers One and Two, and a City Secretary.

JACK BLACKWELL, Mayor
City of Rockport

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express to our friends and relatives our sincere appreciation for their kindness and assistance offered during the illness and death of Eula Mae Johnson.

Ernest Johnson and son,
Christopher McAlee
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson
and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank Lee Farris, Big Pete Solis, and Emma Solis, and the other Mexican people for their kindness as expressed in the collection they took up for us since the injury of my husband. He is now in the Memorial Hospital.

—Mrs. Martha Pena

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and relatives for the kindness and sympathy shown us after the death of our infant son. The beautiful floral offerings were appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Brundrett
and Family.

Presbyterians Make Financial Canvass

The Presbyterian Church will take its annual financial canvass next Sunday, according to a statement by Rev. T. H. Pollard. The members are requested to bring their pledges with them Sunday.

Reverend Pollard also announced that the Church is launching a campaign to raise funds for the erection of a building when the war is over.

PILOTING--

(Continued from Front Page for the city from this are obvious.)

Then, too, the structure would provide quarters for such important activities as the Boy Scouts, community gatherings of all sorts and for giving audience to our various political issues.

And the Pilot strongly believes that every individual should study and learn the politics of all our government from the local administration on up. As mentioned before in this column, that is our hope of arriving at a true democracy.

Most important of all, is the fact that the gymnasium will demonstrate to us in a most effective way, the real need for a community hall or a city auditorium. The future of Rockport is too bright to forego this essential equipment much longer.

Two boats are under construction in the Frandolig yard—one for Hays Atwood, and one for soldier Buddy Warden. On Hay's the decks and topside are practically finished, and on Buddy's the decks are finished.

Progress continues good on John Peres' job, in fact he is all set to install the "Whiskey Strake."

The betting now favors Peres beating Frandoligs to the Water.

Rationing Dope Bucket

Meat—Fats:
Red stamps: Q5, R5, S5, good thru March 31.

Red Stamps: T5, U5, V5, W5, and X5, good thru April 28.

Red stamps: Y5, Z5, and A2, B2, C2, and D2 good thru June 2.

Red stamps: E2, F2, G2, H2, J2, good thru June 30.
New red stamps will be validated April 1.

Processed Foods:
Blue stamps: X5, Y5, Z5, A2 and B2, good thru March 31.

Blue stamps: C2, D2, E2, F2, and G2 good thru April 28.

Blue stamps: H2, J2, K2, L2, and M2, good thru June 2.

Blue stamps: N2, P2, Q2, R2, and S2 good thru June 30.
New stamps will be validated April 1.

Sugar:
Sugar stamp 35 good thru June 2.
No new sugar stamps will be validated until May 1.

Food Quality IS UNRATED

RATH'S POLISH SAUSAGE, lb.	30c
SMOKED PORK RINGS, Rath's, lb.	40c
RATH'S BLACK HAWK, 1 lb. rolls	35c
CHILI CON CARNE, Rath's, lb.	30c
LAMB LIVER, Swift's, lb.	30c
DUCK EGGS, Fresh large, doz.	30c
HEN EGGS, large select, 3 doz.	1.00
MEADOLAKE OLEO, lb.	25c
PURE LARD, all brands, lb.	19c
POP CORN, Giant Yellow, 2 lbs.	35c
PIONEER LAYING MASH, 100 lbs.	3.50
PIONEER GROWING MASH, 100 lbs.	3.75
KITCHEN KLEANER, 7c value	5c
BABO KLEANER, 13c value	10c
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FLOUR, Gold Medal, 10 lbs. . 50c	
GRANDPA'S BAR 5c	
PRESERVES, Blackberry, 1 lb. 27c	
PORK and BEANS Phillips 3 cns 25c	
MORTON'S SALT, 2 pkgs. for 15c	
LEMONS dozen 23c	
CABBAGE, pound 3c	
ONIONS, 2 pounds 11c	

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Program

SUNDAY & MONDAY
March 11 and 12
Kismet
Ronald Coleman, Marlene Dietrich

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
March 13 and 14
Dark Mountain
FIND THE BLACKMAILER

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
March 15 and 16
Marriage Is a Private Affair
Lana Turner

SATURDAY
March 17
Sonoro Stagecoach
HOOT GIBSON
Phantom
SHORTS, and COMEDIES

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The Stewart-Wendell Post Veterans of Foreign Wars holds regular meetings on each First and Third Wednesday nights at 8 o'clock at I.O.O.F. Hall. Visiting members cordially invited. O. V. Dye, Commander.

Classified

FOR SALE—One 175 arc Welder, complete, 110 or 220 volt. One fifteen-foot skiff, one 3 1/2 h.p. Evinrude outboard motor, one Pflueger Reel, one rod and reel, one fender for 39 De Luxe Ford. See J. S. Caraway Repair Shop. 3-1 2t

FOR RENT—Attractive small furnished house. Suitable for couple or couple with one child. Price \$35.00 per month and tenant pay bills. No change in summer rates. See Emory M. Spencer. 2-1 2t

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