



### Personals

Mrs. James Hood... the holidays with her sister Taft.

Mary Virginia Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jack will be at home for Christmas at the University of Texas, where she is a student.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson, Joe, Jr., and Mike will spend Christmas at Sinton.

Mrs. Mabel Bryant and Mr. Sally Corhail spent last week at San Antonio.

Mrs. J. H. Mills, Mrs. Chest Johnson and Mrs. Harry Mills were Corpus Christi visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hunt of Saint Martinville, La., have arrived to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Malchar.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Phagan, Edna Louise and Melba spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pilkerton at Corpus Christi.

David Picton of Houston is visiting Miss Vivian Picton and Miss Velma Picton. Other members of the family are expected during the holidays.

The Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Polard will have at holiday guests their daughter, Dorothy, from San Marcos and son Harris, a student at Austin College, Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Picton and daughter Jeraldine of Port Arthur are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Picton.

Roy Lee Hart will arrive here Saturday for Christmas. Mrs. Hart and daughter, Dolly Lee, will return to Falfurrias with him for the holidays.

Mrs. Catherine Pruett of Tulsa, Okla., spent two weeks here visiting her children. She returned Wednesday.

Mrs. D. H. Caspary will have as Christmas guests her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wright, of South America, and their daughter, Billie Jean, a student at the University of Texas. Mrs. Kay Bynum of Corpus Christi will also spend the holiday with Mrs. Caspary.

Earl M. Ward Jr., seaman I-c, of Camp Wallace spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Ward Sr.

Mrs. Pete Richardson is spending several days at Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Rooke have had as guests their niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. John Fletcher of Fort Worth.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rowe were Mr. and Mrs. Gayland Ward of Aransas Pass, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barker and family, and Barker's brother, Henry Barker of Ingleside, and Mr. and Mrs. Cy Grett and son of Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. C. Russell will have as her guests over the holidays her son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Russell and son of Aransas Pass, and her daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Long of Austin.

Mrs. Joe Smith spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Joe O. at Corpus Christi.

### SEVENTY-FIVE GUESTS ATTEND REBEKAH CHRISTMAS PARTY

About 75 guests were entertained at a party given by the Rebekah Lodge at the Recreation Hall Tuesday night.

A Christmas tree and other Yuletide decorations were used. Guests sang carols and several children gave readings. The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham sang a duet.

Santa appeared and gave presents to all. Refreshments were in the form of sticky candy, apples and oranges.

On the planning committee were Mrs. Irma Cloberdants, Mrs. Myrtle McLester and Mrs. Thelma Barber.

### MARRIAGE LICENSSES

Lonie Leslie Taylor and Miss Stella Jo Crews.

William Stafford and Miss Matilda George.

Lawrence Wesley Barker and Miss Allie Lee Howery.

Samuel Edward George and Vera Vivian Hill.

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION  
I have sold my business, the Rockport Refrigeration Service to Ernest Herring, and bespeak for him a continuation of the patronage I have enjoyed. It is with regret that I must leave, but business calls elsewhere. I want to thank the people of Rockport for their business and many courtesies extended, and I still feel like this is my home, and may some day be back.

CHAS. L. LANDRUM

### COUPLE MARRIED HERE

Miss Vera Vivian Hill and Samuel Edward George were married Tuesday afternoon by Joe Smith, justice of the peace, at his office. Both are from Aransas Pass.

### CARD OF THANKS

"Thank you," seems so little to say to the members of the Fire Department, and to others who helped last Saturday night. You praise efficiency when some other home is saved, but when it is your own, well, words fail me—so,

Thank you.  
Ruth Lipscomb.

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for the... to be given... the auditorium... medly will be the... program built around... Christmas... entertainment.

A serious touch will be "A Scene at Bethlehem." Margaret Stewart will sing the first verse of "Silent Night," as she stands by the Virgin Mary, enacted by Wilma Rouquette, and Saint Joseph, enacted by David Herring. During the singing of the second verse, the shepherds, portrayed by Norman McLead, Jimmy Hayden and Sam James, will enter and stand by the crib.

The operetta, "Christmas Bazaar" is a fast moving, laughable story of children and adults moving through a plot of Christmas fun and near tragedies.

Rehearsals have shown the play to be well cast with good voices and acting. Little Shirley Fay Harrell makes her stage debut playing Tootie Baines. She not only has her part under control, but knows



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### A Salute

to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

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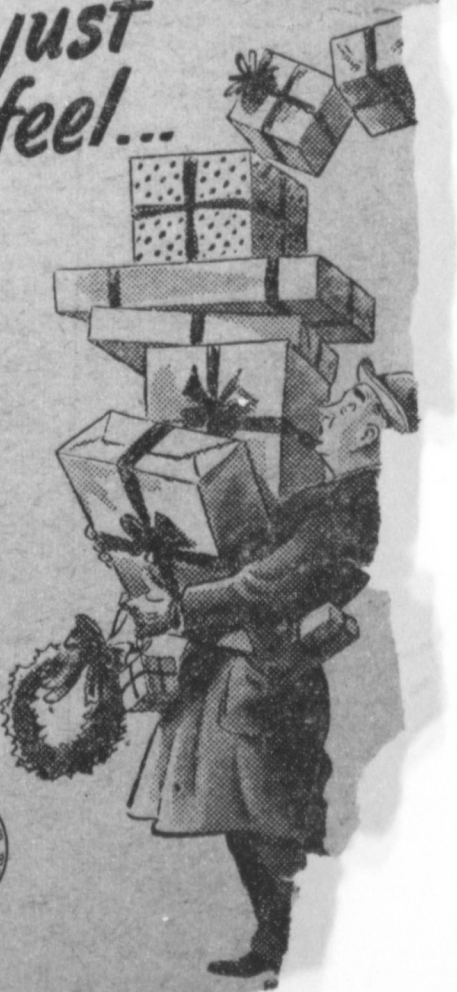
We know just how you feel...

We, too, have our hands full this time of year.

For us, December 24 and 25 are always busy days at long distance switchboards—and they will be busier than ever this Christmas.

There will be unavoidably long delays on long distance and some calls may not get through at all.

You will get quicker service a few days before or after the holidays.



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### Merry Christmas

And, folks, we can really mean it, too. For this is our brightest Christmas in a long, dark time. Every light on every tree—every window that greets night with cheerful challenge—is a shining symbol of the passing of war's shadow. There is radiant happiness in family gatherings this year. Men are coming home from war. And those who hear their Christmas carols under strange skies are closer, nearer to home than they have been in a great while. For many, this will be a wistful Christmas—but a Christmas brave and strong in the knowledge that those who fought victory so dearly will make tomorrow's world a brighter place for us all.

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### Army, Navy Men Discharged

Seven Army and five Navy men were discharged and returned to Aransas County this week, filing their discharges with the county clerk.

Robert W. Shaver, technician fourth, served with Headquarters Company, 58th Signal Service Battalion, in New Guinea and Luzon. He was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon with two bronze stars, the Philippine Liberation ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, Meritorious Unit Award, the Victory Medal, one service stripe and six overseas stripes.

Cleveland J. Roy, technician 4th grade, served with Battery C, 572 Anti-Aircraft Battalion, in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe and was awarded the EAME ribbon, good conduct medal and the Victory Medal.

Glenn H. Mills, a sergeant with the 389th Bomb Squadron, served in the Air Offensive on Japan, New Guinea, Philippines, Luzon and Western Pacific and was awarded the Victory Medal, one service stripe, an overseas bar, the American defense ribbon, Asiatic Pacific campaign ribbon with six bronze stars, the Philippine Liberation ribbon with one star and the good conduct medal.

Marvin E. Miller, a private first class with the 751st Tank Battalion, served in North Appennines and Po Valley, and received the EAME ribbon and the Victory Medal.

Floyd C. Brooks, a technician third, was with an ordnance maintenance Battalion and received the American theatre ribbon, the EAME ribbon and the good conduct medal.

John J. DeForest, a sergeant in the 14th Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron, served in the Air Offensive against Japan, the Chinese theatre, New Guinea, Southern Philippines, Luzon, Western Pacific, Ryukyus and Air Combat Borneo, and was awarded the American Theatre ribbon, the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon, eight bronze stars, the Philippine Liberation ribbon, the good conduct medal and three overseas bars.

Howard C. Kinsey, an aviation cadet, received the American theatre ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal and the Victory Medal.

Discharged from the Navy were Edwin Arnold Thomas, ship's cook and class; Lieut. DeWilton Jeffries; William Nelse Johnson, Jr., carpenter's mate first class; Weldon Roy Roden, ratioman second class; and Lawrence Weldon Hefner, seaman second class.

### MRS LEONARD ROBERTS' MOTHER DIES

Leonard Roberts received Tuesday that her grandmother died at San Marcos. Mrs. and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Corpus Christi left immediately for San Marcos. Mrs. Roberts had returned Monday night from a month's trip to Junction.

### BUBBLES SEZ —



Washes from heaven, yes... Washes take twice their weight in wash! And it's awful hard to get the soap! Where there's fat, there's soap, remember. So keep saving USED PATS to help make it.

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### Anybody Can Make a Mistake and Think There Wasn't Any Sun Shining Bright

(Editor's note: This story was written after long and arduous study of Florida papers and publicity releases. Any similarity to actual persons or places is purely coincidental.)

Rockport's beaches were lined with bathers this week. (Those red spots weren't goose pimples, they were sunburn in patches.) The bathers wore fashionable beach coats, fur lined and cover heavy sweaters.

The streets of the city gleamed, not from a misty rain that fell, but because the city is always sparklingly clean.

Several thermometers had mercury that dipped into the low thirties, but the owners quickly sent them back to the factory for readjustment. If thermometers can't do better than that, they don't even belong in South Texas.

The ship yard and several construction jobs around town closed down because the weather was so balmy and unpleasant that it was a shame to waste the time of day working.

Red noses didn't carry any of the usual significances. They simply meant a ruddy complexion, healthy populace.

Fires burning in stoves to carry out Christmas colors looked so real a stranger who didn't know how mild South Texas weather is would have believed they were really lit for the heat they give out.

That wasn't frost on the windows—it's Christmas decoration.

### Keller Returns From Overseas Service

George Keller, son of Mrs. Tonie Keller of Rockport, has been discharged from service and has arrived at his home here.

Keller, a technician fifth with the Army railroad service, served in France, Belgium and Germany during the year and a half he was overseas.

He was working on construction at the air field here before he joined the Army two years ago. He arrived in New York a week ago Monday, and his mother heard of his arrival over the radio. He was discharged at Camp Travis.

Keller's wife and three children have lived here during his absence. His children are 13, 10 and 2 years old.

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Best wishes for Christmas

Unselfish interest in others is the keynote of happiness at Christmastime. May each gift you receive breathe love and devotion and bind the ties of home and friendship more securely.

As for ourselves, we desire to express our appreciation for your loyalty to us in 1945, and wish you a Merry Christmas.

### KAUFMAN'S DEPT. STORE

### To My Friends and Customers

### Uncle Charlie's Midway Inn

Wishes you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

### The Midway Inn

Chas. Steffler, Sole Owner

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1945 SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS 1945

### OUR FOREFATHERS

celebrated Christmas sometimes under the greatest of difficulties, to say nothing of danger. Today, in warm, lighted homes we welcome the arrival of Yuletide, without thought of those early hardships. It might make our Christmas a little happier, our hearts a little more thankful, to take thought of these things.

In the reverent spirit of this glorious season we now wish each and every one of you the deep joys which only Christmas can bring.

### MODERN MARKET



Happiest HOLIDAY SEASON to all

### THE QUEST OF HAPPINESS

has ever been the ultimate goal of human beings. Some find happiness in one way; some in another; and many never find it at all. Whatever road you may have been taking in your pursuit of happiness, may your fondest hopes be realized during this Christmas season of 1945.

One other thought: we want every one of you to know that we deeply appreciate everything you have done for us during the past year.

### ROCKPORT BEACH CLUB

### Open for Business

PRODUCER'S PRICES POSTED AS FOLLOWS:

- OYSTERS: 2.25 per barrel at dock.
- 1 1/2 gal. yield - 20% bonus.
- 1 3/4 gal. yield - 40% bonus.
- 2 - gal yield - 60% bonus
- FISH: Choice, 15 cents per pound

### ROCKPORT FISH AND OYSTER CO.

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### The Best In Meats

We are doing our best to keep our trade supplied with Good Meats, and you can rest assured that we will have the Best Meats Available for you.

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Send your clothing to be cleaned regularly for wartime conservation of fabrics; for the neat appearance that marks you as a "winner"! Our service is reliable — QUALITY is our motto.

### LASSITER'S TAILOR SHOP



### GUARD Against Fire!

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ROCKPORT, TEXAS



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WE'RE proud of our former name, Bowen Trailways! It's a name that has stood for dependable bus service in Texas for many years.

Under our new name, Continental Trailways, we are improving and extending our operations to better serve the entire Southwest, from Colorado and New Mexico to the Texas Gulf. It's a more appropriate name for our greater sphere of faithful service to you. See your friendly Continental Trailways bus agent about Trailways bus service throughout America.

TRAILWAYS BUS DEPOT  
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# YULETIDE HAPPINESS

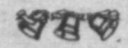


At this time when Christmas trees are beginning to glow in the windows everywhere, and the holly wreaths are going up, we want to send you our best wishes for a very Happy Christmas. You have made 1945 a very pleasant year for us, for which we are duly grateful.

**BEST WISHES FROM  
THEODORE'S CAFE**  
K., Milton, and Steve Theodore



That best part of a good man's life—  
His little, nameless unremembered acts  
Of kindness and of love.  
—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH



Christmas is the season of the open heart  
and the open door. Let none stand out in  
the cold or be unremembered.

In this community of good fellows,  
where each helps share the other's happi-  
ness and all do their part towards making  
the Christmas season enjoyable for each  
and everyone, it is a privilege to be in a  
position to serve you. We take great pleas-  
ure in wishing you a Merry Christmas.

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK**



## To One And All

CHILDREN looking out of the window at a desolate landscape try to catch a glimpse of a mythical sleigh drawn by mythical reindeer. But there is naught that is mythical about the spirit of Christmas that transforms the commonplace. That Christmas of 1945 may be for you the happiest Christmas of all is our sincere wish.

**N. F. JACKSON, Consignee  
The Texas Company**



## to one and all 1945 Christmas Cheer

Again may you know the fragrance  
Of hemlock, pine and holly.  
Again may friendly voices call  
A greeting warm and jolly;  
And again may the meaning of  
Christmas,  
Deep and still more true  
Bring faith and hope and gladness  
To the hearts of yours and you.

**MORRISON'S**



## PEACE ON EARTH Joyous Christmas

★ Of far greater value than the most precious jewel or the most costly gift is happiness and peace of spirit. Could we wish more for you this Christmas season than its attainment?

For your fine co-operation and loyalty to us in 1945 you have our lasting gratitude.

**Mills - Robinson  
Hardware Co.  
Aransas Pass, Texas**



## TO WISH YOU Christmas Joy 1945

At Christmastime we feel more sensibly the charm of each other's society, and are drawn more closely together by dependence on each other for enjoyment.  
—WASHINGTON IRVING.

May this spirit of Christmas, which Washington Irving so ably wrote about, pervade your home this Christmas season of 1945.

Best wishes from us  
for a  
Merry Christmas

**THE CITY OF ROCKPORT**



Today's grownups are only yesterday's children who once stood before a fireplace on the Christmas Eves of the past, or who, just before Christmas, were as good as they could be.

The heart of the Christmas season is friendship and eternal youth, and we could not ask for finer friends than ours. It makes us happy to...



● The long awaited occasion is here—CHRISTMAS—and with it the opportunity of renewing friendships. We cannot tell you how much these friendships have meant to us. We treasure them, every one.

Let us celebrate the Yuletide with rejoicing and good cheer. Let us celebrate it with a genuine happiness in our hearts for the friends who have been ours



## PEACE ON EARTH 1945 TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

The prevailing spirit of good will embraces us all during this joyous season. We, too, want to extend to you personally our hearty good wishes for an exceptionally

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
MORRISON'S**



WHEN we see little boys and girls shaking hands with Santa Claus, a thought comes to mind:

We would like our expression of appreciation for your patronage to be a hearty shake of the hand for each of you. As we cannot be denied this opportunity, please accept this, while a substitute for a handshake, as no less sincere in wishing you

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS**



## CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME

for friendliness, for the open house and the open heart

It is the time, too, for us to greet our friends, to thank them for their consideration of us, and to wish them all a very Happy Christmas.

### T. C. KELLY

And the following Employees:

S. E. Kelly    J. H. Marshall    Mrs. E. B Crawford  
Kellie Mullen    Henry McLester    Gladys Mullen



PEACE ON EARTH · GOOD WILL · · · TOWARD ALL MEN · · ·

EVERY holiday has its significance, but none can compare with Christmas. It is the one time of the year when self-seeking gives way to selflessness, and all are united in one common attitude of good will towards our fellowmen.

Our entire personnel joins in wishing Christmas joy to those whom we have served, and to others as well. Accept our sincere thanks for the privilege of being of help in making this Christmas of 1945 truly merry.



### HUNT'S BARBER AND TAILOR SHOP



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A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community . . . one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you we have stood by us so faithfully the year 1945 we wish you a world of happiness this Christmas season. May it bring you and to your family.

TAYLOR FURNITURE COMPANY  
Aransas Pass, Texas



MERRIEST Christmas OF ALL · 1945 ·

And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—fulfilling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say

## Merry Christmas!

**WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE**

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Wilson  
Aransas Pass, Texas



Christmas is always a welcome event with us, for two reasons:

First, because we enjoy the spirit of friendliness that is all-prevailing; second, because it affords an appropriate opportunity of expressing our sincere appreciation for your valued patronage.

It has, indeed, been a pleasure to serve you, and in sending you our best wishes for a Merry Christmas we do so with the hope that the Christmas season of 1945 will transcend all of its predecessors in real happiness for you.

#### CLUB CAFE

Mr and Mrs H. A. Martin



#### Listen!

Hear that horn! Hear that excitement in the air, that laughter! It's Christmas, neighbor, the most hopeful Christmas in years!

Imbued with this buoyant spirit of hope we express our wish for a genuine Merry Christmas to all our friends and patrons.

JACKSON SEAFORD CO.



★ Stealing over the countryside is the blessed peacefulness of Christmastime. The very air seems charged with it. Even the birds—what few remain—appear to share in the general rejoicing that has come over the world.

We earnestly hope that this Christmas season of 1945 will bestow unusual blessings upon you and yours . . . that it will bring to your home the soft glow that even Christmas tree lights cannot bequeath—the full joy of Christmas seasons long past but forever remembered. May such a Christmas be yours!

**RED and WHITE MODEL CASH GROCERY**



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Best Wishes for Christmas

★ One of the biggest items in your Christmas stocking this Yule season of 1945 will be our note of thanks to you and our wish for the biggest, merriest, happiest Christmas you have ever had.

CARAWAY'S REPAIR SHOP



Christmas Joy 1945

Measured by the span of years, it has been a long, long time since that first Christmas night, but it might have been but yesterday when we measure the spirit of kindness which Christmastime releases.

Christmas means happiness, and Christmas happiness is to be shared. We want to share our 1945 Christmas happiness with you.

Rockport Recreation Club



'HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING'

Once more we assemble in happy reunion to celebrate the age-old tradition of Christmas. Short though the days, long though the nights, the glowing background of Christmas makes all hearts light.

Recalling now the happy relationships of 1945 we wish you the choicest blessings this holy season can bestow.

LASSITER'S Tailor Shop



As the Shadows fall on the close of another year, we desire to express our deep appreciation of your good will and friendship, and to wish for you during the Christmas season of 1945 all the better things that life affords.

GULF SERVICE STATION

The Wednesday meeting of the Young Matron's Bridge Club was cancelled because of the activities of the holiday season. The club will not meet again until after the first of the year.

SANTA CLAUS MAKES TWO VISITS IN ROCKPORT WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Santa Claus made two visits in Rockport Wednesday that caused the very young set to forget the cold weather and stand in awe before the red suited, kindly faced old man.

First Santa put in an unexpected appearance at the party given for James Richard Fox. The young boys and girls besieged him with their Christmas wishes and stood round eyed while two of their number made every effort to pull his beard. Good natured Santa laughed with them and gave each child a huge stick of candy with promises of much more to come Christmas morning.

Santa then went to Kaufman's store where all the children of the town could come to express their desires. Discussing the year's gifts were a party of children who had honored Loretta Jean Mullinax at a party at her home.

Many others came to climb on Santa's knee as he sat on his throne-like chair with respect but the intimacy they feel only for St. Nick.

The party given by Mrs. Richard Smith for her son on his fifth birthday featured a contest as well as the visit from Santa. In pinning the star on the top of the Christmas tree, Tookie Garrett won first prize and Mike Johnson the boobie prize.

The children were served ice cream, decorated angel food squares and boxes of Christmas candy. Mrs. Elva Mullinax entertained for her daughter who was eight years old today.

Her guests also pinned the star on the Christmas tree with Caro-

line Casterline winning first prize and Betty Sue Mullinax low. In game of guessing the beans in a jar, Marvin Davis won high and Caroline Ruth Smith low.

Mrs. Mullinax served ice cream and angel food squares. Her table was decorated with poinsettias. A Christmas tree and other Christmas decorations were arranged in the rooms.

Guests at the Fox home were Jimmy Ankele, Charles LeBlanc, Robert Arley Shivers, Mike Johnson, Dale Barnard, Billy Close, Tookie Garrett, Mitchel Martin, Eddie Ratliff, Roy Allen Davis, Ronnie Simpson, Monte Rouquette, DeWilton Jeffries, Jr., Dailey Heldefens, Rodney Johnson and Patricia Gunter.

At the Mullinax party were Pat-sy Ann Allen, Caroline Ruth Smith, Mary Evelyn Mundine, Caroline Casterline, Betty Sue Mullinax, and Marvin Davis.

SHOPPERS FIND SOME ITEMS BACK BUT MISS OTHERS

None of this last minute stuff for Rockport Christmas shoppers. They have been hard at it for three weeks. Most local stores report more to sell them than in years, but some say their stocks are even less varied.

The toy end of Christmas will be a lot fuller this year. Many items will be back under the tree that have been noted for their absence. At long last there are teddy bear metal, rubber tired trucks, plenty of dolls, a few footballs and hoops. Many of the toys that have been cardboard and wood are in again.

The babies will actually a few balls this year. Women fare well with better lingerie, scarfs, robes, lamps, dress and many attractive items are still no sheets, pillow towels, but these are expected to be stocked the first of the "white goods specials."

Men are still behind the ball. They can't find dress socks or many of their favorite items in their socks.

Drug stores have musical boxes back again and lines of good cosmetic short.

There is one big noise mas. Fireworks will be a prelude to a noisy, Fourth of July.



Tidings of great joy Merry Christmas 1945

Christmas is All of These

Christmas is the good will shared at the family hearth; the carol sung together; the candle in the window, the glowing faces gathered around the festive board. And it is much more—ever so much more!

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**Albert Lee McElveen Discharged From Naval Service**

Albert Lee McElveen, 23, fire controlman operator second-class, husband of Mrs. Albert Lee McElveen of Rockport, has received his discharge at Camp Wilace.

McElveen entered naval service in May, 1943, and has served 34 months in the Pacific. He took part in the capture and defense of Guadalcanal, the consolidation of the Southern Solomons, the battle for the Marshall Islands, the Mariannas campaign, the first Philippine sea battle, the New Guinea campaign and raids in the Caroline Islands.

**EDWARD BARNARD EXPECTED HOME**

Edward Barnard, owner of the Rio Theatre, expects to land at San Pedro Dec. 23 and to be in Rockport by Dec. 30. His wife and children are living in Rockport. Barnard, an electrician's mate, second class, has been serving in New Caledonia.

**Samuel Baugh Enlists Judge Has Right Idea**

Samuel Baugh of Rockport, son of John Baugh, was one of four men sent from Corpus Christi last week to the Army recruiting station at San Antonio for examination before entry into the Army. Baugh served in the regular Army seven years. He was discharged recently and has been living at Rockport.

**SCOUTS BEGIN WORK ON TOYS AT FIRE STATION**

Boy Scouts began work Monday night on their project of painting and assisting firemen in repairing of toys for the Christmas boxes. The boys are using the fire station as their work shop.

**Russell Discharged**

Addison L. Russell, son of Mrs. J. C. Russell of Rockport, has been discharged from service and resumed his position with Arthur Anderson, accountants, at Houston. Russell had served as an accountant with the arm at Manila. He spent several days in Rockport after he was discharged, and will return for the holidays.

**Two Cubs Receive Awards At Pack Meeting**

Two Cub Scouts received awards at the Pack meeting held at the school auditorium Friday night. Jimmy Ben Cloberdants received the Wolf Gold Arrow and Joe Herring received the Wolf badge.

A program on Communication was presented by Dens 1, 2, and 6. Badge presentations were made by Somer Smith, den dad and committeeman.

Den mothers working on the program were Mrs. Floyd Huffman assisted by Mrs. Charlie Garrett, Mrs. Somer Smith, and Mrs. Fred Cloberdants.

**CLERKS HAVE A MOPPING GOOD TIME FOR A DAY**

Clerks in the court house were housekeepers for a day Monday. Any attorney coming in to file an instrument would have to have looked behind a mop handle to find a taker.

Courthouse Caretaker Gray was ill and Molly Sparks, Lillian Casterline and Kathryn Rouquette decided the building was getting no tidier by the moment.

Confiscating Gray's equipment they set out to do the job, and woe to the person who tracked mud down their scrubbed corridor.



**Christmas Greetings to all**

There's no place like home when Christmas comes around, and there's no time like right now to wish all you kindly home folks the merriest Christmas ever.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served you in 1945, and we look forward to your continued friendship.

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Through all the years of war.  
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Shoes	\$2.39 to \$4.50
Ties	55c to \$2.50
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Ladies' Purses	\$2.98 to \$5.98
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Coats and Suits	\$12.50 to \$32.50

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MORTON'S SALT, 25 oz pkg. 7 1/2c
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MALTED MILK Carnation, 1 lb. 36c
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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES: Cattle grazing is strictly prohibited on the Peterson and Winslow property. Any cattle found grazing on said property will be held for pasturage fees. 12-6 tf V. G. Guinn



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SUNDAY & MONDAY Dec. 23 and 24

Tonight and Every Night Rita Hayworth

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY Dec. 25 and 26

It's In the Bag Fred Allen, Jack Benny

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NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Rockport, Texas will be held at the bank's office at Rockport, Texas between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m., and 4 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, January 8th, 1946 for the purpose of electing directors for the year 1946 and any other business that may legally come before said meeting. 11-29 6t A. C. GLASS, Cashier

FOR SALE - One trailer butane oven stove, \$40. may be seen at Liquefied Gas Co.; one Duo Thurn oil heater, \$40; one 10-barrel water tank, \$50; two outboard motors, 6x9, \$75 and \$95; one 3-gallon milk cow, \$75. Jolly Roger Club, 6 miles north of Rockport.

FOR SALE - Four burner cook stove, with oven, price \$15.00. Also one dozen decoys, \$12.00. See Mrs. Freelyn Jones, 1 block north, 2 houses east of Humble - Service Station.

FOR SALE - Christmas turkeys. Call V. G. Guynn at 3791.

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Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sellers will be Judge and Mrs. Allen Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Tate Clark of Corpus Christi.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: F. E. Byler, and the Unknown heirs of P. F. Latting, Deceased Defendants, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable 36th District Court of Aransas County at the Court House thereof, in Rockport, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 4th day of February, A. D. 1946, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1945, in this cause, numbered 2357 on the docket of said court and styled Emory M. Spencer Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Heirs of P. F. Latting, Deceased, and F. E. Byler Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Plaintiff herein sues to remove cloud from the title on the following described property, to-wit:

Lot Two (2), and the North forty-one and two-thirds feet (41-2-3') of Lot Three (3), Block Seven (7), of the Doughty & Mathis Division, Rockport, Aransas County, Texas. Plaintiff further alleges the Three (3); Five (5); Ten (10), and Twenty-Five (25) Years' Statute of Limitations; also the Four (4) Year Statute of Limitations pertaining to Vendor's Lien Notes, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Rockport, Texas this the 18 day of December, A. D. 1945.

Attest: (SEAL) J. M. SPARKS, Clerk, Court, Aransas County, Texas

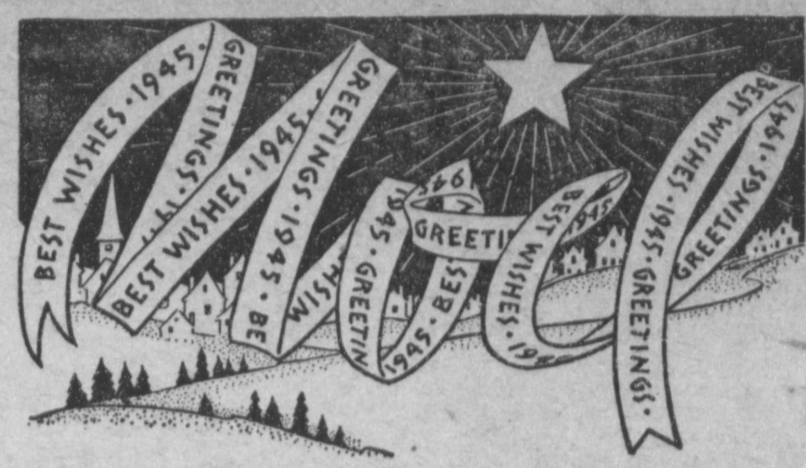
WANTED TO RENT - Navy lieutenant wants to rent small house in Rockport until April. Call 3522. 12-20 1tp

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PAPERSHELL PECANS, pound 45c
PECANS, Jumbo Halves, lb. 1.25
SYRUP, Brer Rabbit, Red or Brown, 5 lbs. 35c
GRAPE PUNCH, Monterrey, pints 25c
PINEAPPLE JUICE, Mott's, quart bottle 30c
APPLE CIDER, Mott's, quart bottle 30c
EGGS, Grade A, large white, doz. 65c
PLUM JAM, Red Cherry Preserves, 2 lbs. 50c
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RIO THEATRE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

THIS FIRST PEACETIME CHRISTMAS, AFTER FOUR YEARS OF WAR AND TURMOIL WE PAUSE TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE MANY THINGS FOR WHICH WE HAVE TO BE THANKFUL. MANY OF OUR FRIENDS HAVE LOST LOVED ONES AND TO THEM WE EXTEND OUR DEEP AND SINCERE SYMPATHY. MANY OTHERS NOW HAVE THEIR LOVED ONES SAFELY HOME, OR ON THEIR WAY, OR IN A PLACE OF COMPARATIVE SAFETY - AND WITH THEM WE REJOICE. TO ALL OF OUR LOYAL CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS EVERYWHERE, FOR THE 37TH CHRISTMAS WE SEND OUR WISH FOR THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS THEY HAVE EVER ENJOYED AND FOR A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY 1946.

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