

Rockport Butane Systems Tagged Disaster Risks

Council Ponders Ordinance As Harbin Moves Swiftly To Protect School Children

ONLY ONE INSTALLATION OF 47 INSPECTED FOUND TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW; WORD AWAITED FROM RAILROAD COMMISSION ON ACUTE DOWNTOWN DANGER AREAS

Rockport was faced this week with official warning that it is "sitting on a powder keg" and faces the day-to-day peril of a disastrous fire and explosion that would take heavy toll of both lives and property. The warning followed an inspection of butane installations here last week by Lloyd E. Davis, inspector for the Texas Railroad Commission.

Acting on the warning, the city council began consideration of an ordinance to curb extensions of the danger and Supt. of Schools Harbin moved swiftly to protect the lives of Rockport's school children.

Following an inspection of the schoolhouses, Davis grimly warned that Rockport faced the possibility of "another New London disaster." More than a hundred school children were killed in that blast which wrecked that little East Texas town's school building a few years ago.

Harbin immediately ordered all gas connections shut off except those in the cafeteria. These will be allowed in use only until the cafeteria has made a changeover, now in progress from gas to electric cookery.

NO RUBBER TUBING

Additional developments were these: Plumbers and others than licensed butane dealers and installers, were forbidden to install butane systems, set stoves, repair heaters or in any way work on the gas systems.

Owners and operators of businesses and business structures in the downtown area awaited word from the Texas Railroad Commission as to the extent of re-arrangements necessary on their systems serving their buildings.

Householders as well as business men were warned that the use of rubber tubings on gas stoves probably would nullify their insurance (Continued on last page)

Four Toss Hats Into Ring for State Solon Job

Four candidates had tossed their hats into the ring, when filings closed last Monday, for the state representative's post made vacant by the death of H. L. Atkinson, March 15.

The election will be held April 19 under a proclamation issued by Governor Jester.

Of the headgear which went skittering into the ring, most of it at the last minute, three were the battered sombreros of South Texas men. The fourth was the flower-decked chapera of pretty Miss Edna Brewster, 22, of Aransas Pass.

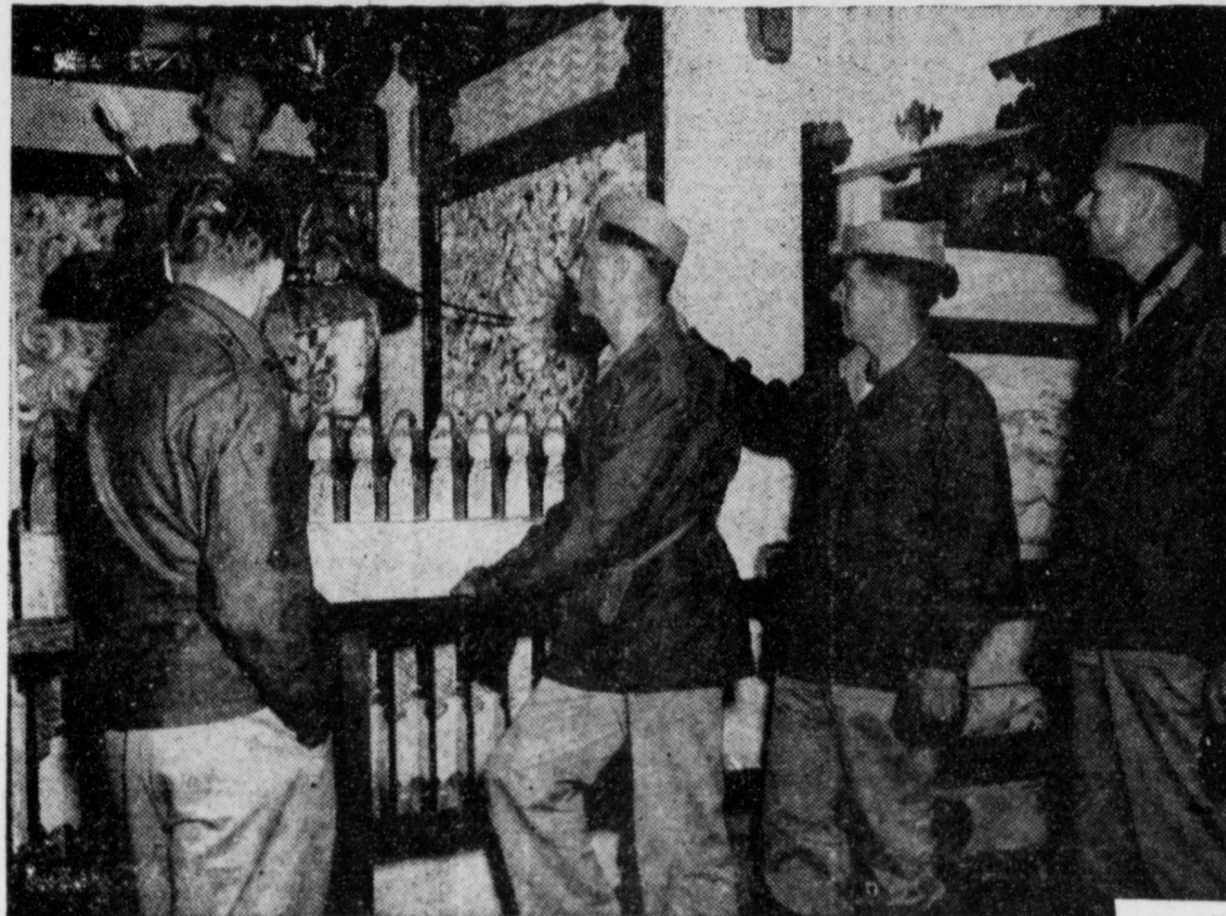
Miss Brewster is the daughter of Sidney Brewster, Aransas Pass liquor store operator, and a graduate student at the University of Texas in Austin. She has done special graduate work at the University of Mexico City under a fellowship granted through her alma mater. She is currently serving as a secretary in the Texas House of Representatives outside of her school hours.

BROWN FILES FIRST

W. W. Brown of Sinton, mentioned in last week's Pilot as a possible candidate, was the first to file for the post, announcing his candidacy while the Pilot was still on the press.

Brown is a long-time abstract and title man who has all but retired from active participation (Continued on last page)

Army Regulars on Occupation Duty Visit Japanese Shrine



The nation will observe Army Week April 6 to 12 and the Army is stressing the educational aspects of service as well as the "good job" side. This photograph illustrates some of the opportunities for sight-seeing. Here a group of G.I.'s, on tour from the recreation center at Nikko, Japan, visit an ancient Japanese shrine. Soldiers overseas have considerable opportunity, these occupation days, for such sight-seeing trips.

Easter Services To Commemorate The Resurrection

Episcopal Good Friday Observance Signals Holy Week End

Sunday will be Easter, the anniversary of Christ's resurrection from the dead.

It also is the day which epitomizes the annual miracle of re-awakening life in the earth.

For both, Rockport will give reverent thanks in churches of its varied denominations. Here, the religious aspect far outweighs the "Easter parade" of new spring clothing which has come to distinguish the day in more metropolitan centers, although gay new bonnets and dresses will also be in evidence.

The week-end of worship will open Friday with a Good Friday service at the Episcopal church at 2 p.m.

BAPTIST REVIVAL ENDS

Friday night and Saturday night will see services at the Baptist church, continuations of the revival meeting which has been in progress there for two weeks under the leadership of Rev. C. N. Jones. The revival has been one of hundreds running simultaneously in Baptist churches throughout Texas. The series of meetings ends Sunday night, with the Sunday morning service simply another in the series.

The first service on Easter morning will be held at the Catholic church. High mass will be sung by the choir at 8 a.m. in honor of St. Dominic. Another mass follows at 10 a.m.

At the Methodist church the choir will sing a special anthem to highlight the sermon of Rev. W. B. Wheeler.

MUSIC AT PRESBYTERIAN

The Episcopal church will hold an 11 a.m. service, with the sermon by Rev. G. S. Walton, and communion. Dr. Joel Hedgpath will sing a vocal solo.

At the Presbyterian church, the morning service will be primarily a musical one.

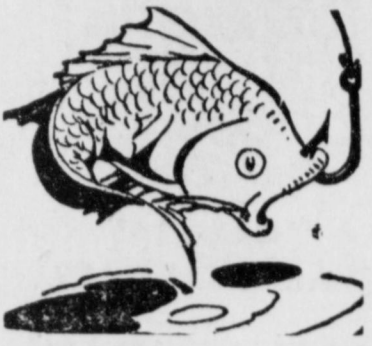
Marvin Pollard, son of Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard who is home for Easter vacation from North Texas State College at Denton, and Miss Laura Somerville, of Memphis, Tenn., who attends the Texas College for Women at Denton and is spending the holidays with the Pollards, will sing a duet.

Mrs. Norvell Jackson will sing Gounod's "Ave Maria".

The Young People's choir will sing the "Awakening Chorus".

The Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary will carry the religious theme of the season on into the coming week with their intensive Bible study on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.

Along The Waterfront



- * DOMINIQUE YOU ARRIVES
- * COLORFUL CAPTAIN
- * SHRIMPER LAUNCHED
- * FISH COMING BACK

ROCKPORT'S WATERFRONT had promise, this week, that its hoped-for party boat service will start by the time that the fish begin to run—and bite—again.

Capt. Kingdon Thomas of Houston brought his 42-foot Dominique You into the harbor late Sunday afternoon and tied up at berth No. 10. By Monday morning he was busy stowing extra gear and getting the craft tidied up. He said he would need to make one return trip to Houston on personal affairs, but that he hopes to be ready for business by the latter part of next week.

THE BOAT HAS BEEN equipped with cable railings and will accommodate up to about 20 to 25 persons on one trip. Capt. Thomas plans to furnish both tackle and bait for his fishermen and is setting up a system whereby reservations for trips may be made in Houston by sportsmen there without the necessity of a long distance telephone call.

IN CASE YOU'RE CURIOUS, the boat was named for one of Jean LaFitte's pirate captains.

CAPT. THOMAS, HIMSELF, adds a spot of high color to Rockport and its waterfront activities. During the war he commanded Liberty ships and other large craft of the U. S. Maritime Service and was in at two major invasions, one at Salerno and Sicily, and other at Okinawa.

He started in the merchant marine service in 1919 and only left the service a year ago.

CAPT. THOMAS COMMANDS the Liberty ship, Joseph Pulitzer at the invasion of Salerno.

"I'll bet we gathered up a bushel basket full of shrapnel and machine gun bullets off the deck," he recalled this week.

"My third officer made the news dispatches widely with his entry in the log that the Joseph Pulitzer 'discharged cargo between bombs' (Continued on last page)

STAR IN THE MAKING

Sanders Forecasts Bright Future for Local Athlete

A man who ought to know dangled a happy prospect, this week, before the eyes of those who rooted for the Rockport High School football team and indulged in the Texas penchant for tall talk last fall.

The talk, said Jack Sanders, one-time big league professional coach and now assistant coach at Trinity University, had plenty of justification.

The surprising 1946 Pirates, Sanders said, have produced two players who should make their mark in Texas collegiate football, and one of them should become one of the best backs in the country.

Sanders gave his enthusiasm its heaviest workout over Russell Rowe, but he gave Joe Johnson, Jr., runner-up honors in a visit here this week. He based his beliefs on the showing the two boys made in spring training with the Trinity team at San Antonio.

The coach's announcement was the first public word that Rowe and Johnson had trained with the Trinity squad from March 8 to 20. "Both of them will make their

scholarships easily if they choose to enroll at Trinity," Sanders said.

He used Rowe at quarterback and Johnson at right half off the shallow T formation which he, himself, originated and which the Pirates used so devastatingly against Aransas Pass last fall.

That 32-6 victory over a team that outweighed them heavily not only set up the Pirates, but brought the formation into quick notoriety in this section and into successful use at Trinity.

Sanders came back to his home at Fulton two years ago from a successful professional football season and appeared at the annual football banquet. Rockport's record was not impressive, and Sanders wondered what his pet formation would do for the boys.

Last year he and Coach John Ramseur experimented and found out, completely reversing the records of previous years in games won.

City Election Over; Schools Vote Saturday

The Rockport area passed one election Tuesday in perfunctory fashion and headed for another Saturday.

Lack of opposition to filed candidates resulted in only 36 votes being cast in the Rockport city election.

Of these, 16 were cast for Councilman James Hanway in ward 1, and 20 for Councilman Leonard LeBlanc in ward 2.

Mrs. Bonnie Townsend polled 35 of the 36 votes cast for city clerk to succeed Mrs. Jeanne Cope who declined to run for the office. One write-in ballot was cast for Mrs. Dudley Bracht.

A cast-up on the expense of the election showed that the votes cost the city about 84 cents each. Publication of the election notice cost \$7.20. Another \$2.25 went for printing ballots. Pay for four election officials at \$4 a day totaled 16, and miscellaneous election supplies added another \$4. The total cost was \$29.45.

Saturday's school election will be held at Rockport and Fulton, with the voting at the school houses in both cases. No election will be held at Lamar. Vacancies there will be filled by appointment at the next meeting of the board. Filings have closed and the lineup of candidates remained unchanged from a week ago.

In Rockport district, the following have filed for three places; T. C. Kelly, president of the board now, Members Ted R. Little and Algie Moss, and Hugh Morrison.

At Fulton Beach, only Cecil Casterline has filed for the place being vacating by Skeets McHugh. Zeph Rouquette whose term is expiring as county school trustee, and Fred Cloberdants, out-going trustee-at-large, have been filed for re-election without opposition.

839 Motor Vehicles Registered in County

License tags for 1947 have been issued to a total of 839 motor vehicles and 74 trailers in Aransas County, A. R. Curry, sheriff-assessor-collector, said this week.

Passenger cars number 643, or 40 more than last year. Tags have been issued to 147 trucks, 8 tractors, 33 farm trucks and 8 motorcycles.

The deadline for 1947 tags passed Tuesday. Persons driving with 1946 tags are now subject to arrest and fine.

Issue Marks Anniversary For Pilots

This week marks another anniversary for The Pilot.

Just a year ago, the present publishers, Roy V. Rogero and R. Roy Woods, took over operation of the paper following purchase from Jack Blackwell.

"Rockport and its people have been grand to us," Rogero said this week.

"We couldn't have wished for finer co-operation anywhere," Woods added.

One other anniversary is just in the offing, also.

On April 27, the Pilot will commemorate its seventy-eighth anniversary. The paper was originally founded as the Rockport Transcript by Charles Francis Bailley, grandfather of Travis Bailey.

Airport Put Up For Formal Bid

The Aransas County airport, the Live Oak peninsula's mortgage on the future, is being advertised by the WAA for sale, but don't be alarmed, County Judge Fox comforted this week. Nobody is going to snatch it from our grasp.

The county not only plans to bid for the port, but it plans to take over the big navy landing field in one of Uncle Sam's bargain packages and work out plans for its preservation and use.

"The county owns the land in fee simple," Judge Fox said Wednesday. "The government has an ownership claim because of improvements out there. But the county has first chance to bid and it's bid will be good because of priority."

Indications were that the county might bid a dollar, or even ten dollars, to make everything legal. The government has indicated that it will leave the tower and other improvements in place, the judge said, but the trouble right now is getting replacements and repairs for electrical and other equipment.

Meantime, the county is keeping a watchman at the airport, to assist fliers and conserve the property.

Mrs. Eunice Pierce at County Clerk's Office

Mrs. Eunice Pierce has been added to the staff of County Clerk Herring's office. She succeeds her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bonnie Townsend, who has resigned to assume the city clerk's office.

Building Cost Again Defers Lab Structure

Construction of the long-awaited marine laboratory of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission moved another step away from reality during the past week.

Bids were opened last Thursday at Austin on the project, but they ranged from \$77,000 to \$101,000.

Only \$50,000 had been appropriated by the commission for the structure and that figure represented a 100 per cent increase above the \$25,000 figure first estimated a little more than a year ago.

Howard Dodgen, executive secretary for the commission had hopes, however, that the delay in construction will be only temporary. Austin sources revealed that he intends to ask the commission for the necessary additional funds at the next meeting.

'HAMS' TRY OUT EQUIPMENT

Short-Wave Radio Network Readied as Standby in Time of Hurricane Need

Maybe you noticed a box kite flying last Sunday away out yonder by St. Joseph's Island. More likely you didn't. No matter. What does matter is that the box kite was a signal of safety and comfort for Rockport and this section of the coast in time of hurricane or disaster.

That kite was attached to a metal wire which served as a radio antenna, to get radio signals out as far as Dallas, signals out as far as Dallas, Kerrville and other distant Texas points. It was part of a test of equipment being staged here against the time when that equipment should be needed.

Not that anybody is going to take a small boat out to fly a kite near St. Joseph's Island in a hundred-mile wind. The boys are entirely practical. The kite business was simply to see what communications could be set up from a small boat offshore should an emergency arise to require that. Such emergencies have arisen in the Mississippi and Ohio River flood country.

WIDE NETWORK

That's getting just a bit ahead of the story though.

Some six months ago, a group of radio amateurs met at Cuero and organized what they called the South Texas Emergency Network. It was designed for handling emergency messages in time of storm

or other public disaster. Times when telephone and telegraph lines go out, and places where the wires never did reach in the first place.

One of the 'hams' in that group, men and boys who will work without pay or hope of reward other than the knowledge of public service well done, is Jimmie Ince who works for Jim Hanway in Rockport. Hanway also has passed his examinations for an amateur's ticket and expects it shortly.

Hanway has a fully equipped radio transmitter at his home—station W5LUJ—and a 100-watt generator to power it. He is independent of the weather and fallen power lines.

But Hanway's transmitter and the set-up here are just a part of a wider network. This particular district includes all of South Texas, with other units as far away as Brownsville and Beaumont.

VISITORS HERE

This district affiliates with a state network, then with a national network. Ince is national coordinator for the district. Sunday's test was carried on by

Hanway, Ince and four visitors. They were Dr. Howard Weaver, Sinton dentist; Bob Cooper, Refugio; Joe Woods and Holland Henderson of Corpus Christi. The latter is a wholesale radio man.

The test was found satisfactory. The network probably will pass unnoticed by the general public until the next storm when the wires go down. Then it will become the most important unit in the community.

HOW'S AUNT SUSIE?

Somebody up in Dallas will have a wild rumor about Rockport damage. Somebody else in Houston will be worried stiff about Aunt Susie and little Gwendolyn down here. The news services and newspapers will be besieged with half-information, half wild-conjecture as to what is going on.

In the past, with no communication there was nothing to do but ride out the worries and the wild stories along with the wild winds. In the future, Hanway's station will set up communication with another ham station, possibly in San Antonio. Correct information will go out, probably to the Red Cross. The Houston party will be reassured that Aunt Susie and little Gwendolyn are perfectly safe.

And what's more, if this section of the coast really is in need of help, it can be summoned immediately, not days later.

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How About Natural Gas?

The shocking disclosure that Rockport is flirting with a major catastrophe through its unsafe butane gas installations again highlights the absurd situation of a town perched on edge of rich gas fields, but without natural gas.

Calling the situation absurd is not casting reflections on any person, either in official position or out. It simply is stating facts.

Rockport should not only be grateful to Inspector Davis for bringing the serious risk to public attention, it should take the opportunity to do something to get natural gas.

That is not to discount the tremendous value of butane to communities in need of clean, handy fuel, but deprived of natural gas. There can be no question that butane is a godsend to the farmer, the vacationer, the isolated hamlet. But there equally can be no question of its doubtful civic value in fueling a town the size of Rockport.

Less than a month ago, a man from outside Texas stopped at the Chamber of Commerce and inquired as to the possibility of starting a bakery here. He wanted a building and he wanted fuel. He would have constructed a small building if gas fuel had been available. With neither building nor gas to be had, the man speedily abandoned the idea of going into business here.

A short time previous to that, another man checked on the possibility of starting a laundry. The question of a building loomed there and Rockport's water famine of last summer dealt another blow. But the big question was one of gas for fuel.

Inspector Davis told the city council last Friday night that much of Rockport's butane piping, while critically perilous for butane, would be perfectly safe with natural gas. If used for butane, extensive and expensive changes will undoubtedly be necessary before next winter.

During that same time, if we move swiftly and surely enough natural gas could be piped into the town.

That is not to say that we would put pressure on the city administration to extend a franchise to a concern which would want to take everything and give nothing. But it is to say that we should spread out the "Welcome" mat for any concerns which are interested in talking business with a growing town.

Needless Sacrifice

The National Board of Fire Underwriters recently analyzed the causes of the disgraceful and menacing increase in fire loss in the United States—a loss that came near the \$600,000,000 figure last year. The following principal reasons were cited:

1. The increased value of property, merchandise and large inventories.
2. The use of substandard housing.
3. Overcrowding of buildings, with a resulting strain on electrical circuits and heating plants already in disrepair because of wartime shortages.
4. A tendency to build factories and other high-value properties in outlying areas where water supply for fire fighting purposes may be inadequate.
5. Shortages of fire department equipment.
6. A great increase in carelessness at the end of the war.

Most of these causes of fire are correctible. Substandard housing must be prevented by local building and safety ordinances. Communities will soon be able to obtain needed fire equipment. Adequate repair and maintenance of electrical and heating facilities can be obtained now. The last cause, human carelessness, is probably the most important—and lives and property will continue to be needlessly sacrificed. That is the message which must be brought home to all the American people.

The Venus de Milo may be sway-backed, as an osteopath contends, but not nearly so much so as Uncle Sam has become from leaning over backwards in being fair to his enemies.

Even if, as suspected, the Russian comrade has our blueprints for making atomic bombs, we're still safe for some 10 years while he is learning how to read said blueprints. —Tulsa World.

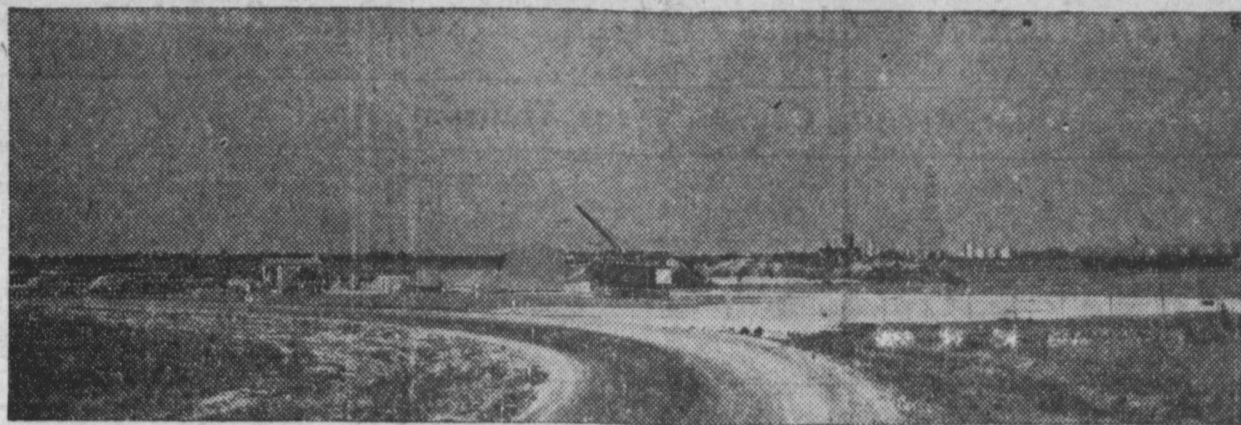
A New Yorker, 98 years old, who committed suicide, left note reading, "Life isn't worth living." It took him a long time to find out.—Tulsa World

The suggestion by a scientist that the polar bases be defrosted with atomic energy seemed a fairly good one until a layman stuck up his head and asked, "How would the resulting water be disposed of?"

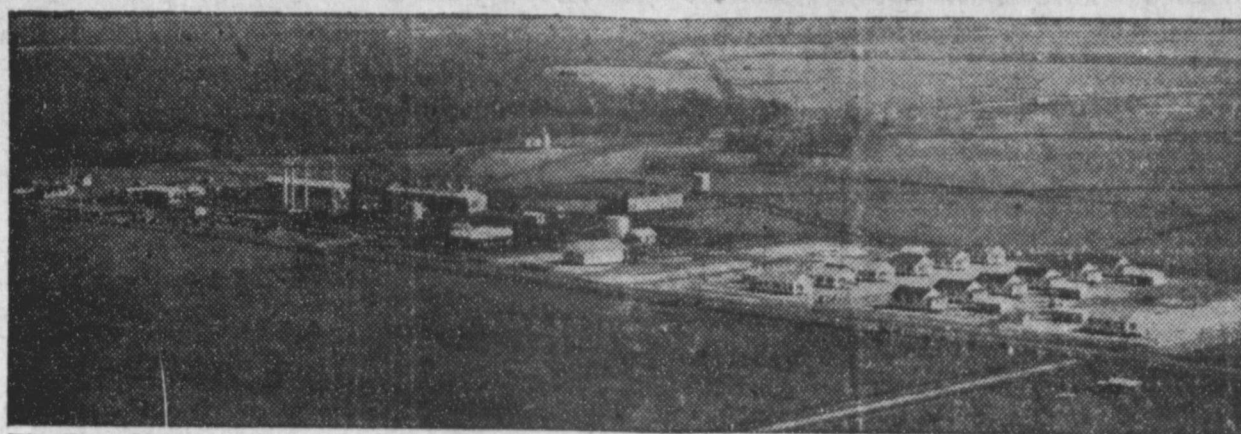
Production of whisky and automobiles will rise this year, according to an announcement by the Department of Commerce. But don't mix them!

The highway patrolman is a guide and protector of the public welfare. He deserves the cooperation and appreciation of every citizen in his work to cut down death and injury on the highways, say safety experts of the National Conservation Bureau. If there had been drunk driving in the days of the Ten Commandments, there would be 11 commandments,

Big \$3,000,000 Natural Gasoline Plant to Be Completed Near Refugio By This Fall



Construction was started late in February on a \$3,000,000 gas conservation plant in the big Tom O'Connor oil field 15 miles northeast of Refugio. A joint undertaking of Humble Oil & Refining Company and Quintana Gas Company, the plant will process about 35 million cubic feet of casinghead gas daily when completed late this year. Most of the gas is now being flared.



The Tom O'Connor plant near Refugio will look like the Clear Lake Natural Gas plant, near Houston, which Humble Oil & Refining Company is placing in operation about March 15. The Clear Lake plant will process casinghead gas from four nearby fields.

HOUSTON—Another forward stride in the oil industry's program to conserve natural gas was made in the South Texas area last week when construction was started on the Tom O'Connor Natural Gasoline Plant some 15 miles northeast of Refugio. The plant is being built jointly by Humble Oil and Refining Company and Quintana Gas Company at a cost of approximately \$3,000,000, it was announced today.

The plant is scheduled for completion late this Fall.

Plans call for the installation of stripping equipment to handle a maximum of 35 million cubic feet

of casinghead gas a day and compression equipment for between 25 and 30 million cubic feet a day.

Humble and Quintana officials in a joint announcement stated that casinghead gas would be taken not only from wells operated by the two companies in the big Tom O'Connor oil field, but from every one of the more than 500 active wells. Current oil production in the prolific field is in excess of 40,000 barrels a day; casinghead gas which lifts this oil to the surface is produced at the rate of 23 to 25 million cubic feet a day. Most of the gas is being flared at present, but when the plant is completed all of it will be gathered and processed,

the announcement said. Natural gasoline and other light hydrocarbons will be extracted, and the dry gas will be compressed and delivered for sale to Tennessee Gas and Transmission Company's line some 10 miles away. An eight-inch gas line will connect the plant to the TGT line and will, according to present estimates

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The Tom O'Connor plant is the third in the Gulf Coast area which Humble Oil & Refining Company has under construction either as sole owner or as joint owner with others. A somewhat larger natural gasoline plant is nearing completion at Clear Lake, between Houston and Galveston, and one of approximately the same size is under construction at Anahuac.

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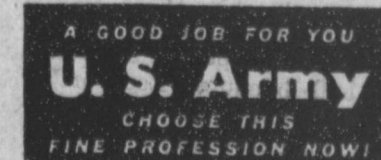


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A Bell for Adano By John Hersey

THE STORY THUS FAR: The American troops arrived at Adano, a seaport in Italy, with Major Victor Joppolo, the Amgot officer in charge. Sergeant Borth, an M.P., was in charge of security. The Major set out at once to win the confidence of the citizens and promised to replace the town bell which the Germans had taken. General Marvin, chief of American forces in that section, was delayed at the outskirts of Adano, by a cart driven by Errante Gaetano. The General ordered the cart thrown off the road and the mule shot. He then ordered Major Joppolo to see that all carts were kept out of the city in the future. The orders were issued against the wishes and better judgment of the Major.

CHAPTER VII

Erba, like the town, had run dry. He turned to his friends. One of them said: "Erba, the proclamation, the matter of being clean."

Erba said: "Oh yes, the proclamation. In one proclamation, Mister Major, I forgot the number of the proclamation, there are so many, does the number matter, Mister Major?"

"No, Erba. I am sorry, there are too many proclamations." And the Major turned to Erba's friends, who were a little more intelligent and would understand. "That is the fault of the authorities. I did not wish to post so many proclamations. That is not my fault. I am sorry. The number does not matter, Erba."

Erba said: "The number does not matter. The proclamation says it is necessary to be clean. It says the people must be clean with water, and even the streets must be clean. Our streets, which have been the same since the time of—who was it the time of, Afronti?"

Afronti roared: "Since the time of Pietro of Aragona and of Roberto King of Naples."

Erba said: "The streets have been the same. Now the proclamation speaks of being clean with water. There is much sameness which has accumulated on the streets since the time of those men of whom Afronti speaks. This being clean takes much water. My cart is on the other side of the bridge, Mister Major."

Major Joppolo said: "The cleanliness is very important, Erba. Let us make Adano the cleanest town in the whole province of Vicinamare."

Erba caught the challenge. His eye brightened. "We will do this thing, even if the sameness has piled up since the time of Jesus, Mister Major." Then his eye went dull again. "But my cart is on the other side of the bridge. You have said it may not pass."

The Major said: "Let the next one speak. Your name." And he pointed at the third man with his pen.

Erba said: "Thank you, Mister Major."

The third man jumped up. He was quite fat but comparatively handsome. His hair was plastered down with something off the axle of his cart, and his black coat was the newest looking of the four. "Basile Giovanni, Mister Major," he said.

"You wish?"

Basile spoke gravely and slowly. "Mister Major," he said, "the worst of all the things about the carts is the food. You can see, Mister Major—and he ran his hands down over the size of his belly—"that I am a man who can speak of food with understanding. This matter of the carts does not hurt me. I am like a man with money in the bank. I have something to draw on in hard times. But there are others in Adano who are not so lucky. Gallotto Bartolomeo is so thin that you can count the several teeth of his mouth even when his lips are closed. The nine children of Raffaella who is the wife of Manetto have big bellies, but their bellies are big only with the gas of hunger. Shall I name others who are very thin?"

The Major said: "No, go on."

Basile said: "I am the one to tell you about the food and the carts. You have not seen my cart, have you, Mister Major?"

"I may have. I have seen many of them."

And then, with great craft, Basile said: "There is nothing in all the proclamations, even though it takes you a week to read them, which says that the Americans came to Adano in order to make people die of hunger. And there is nothing in all the proclamations which refers to such things as the dead mule of Errante Gaetano. Why then do we have this thing of the carts?"

The Major reached for the field telephone, cranked the handle and said: "Give me Rowboat Blue Forward."

While he waited for an answer, the Major said to Basile gruffly: "Sit down."

"Hello. This Rowboat Blue Forward? Captain Purvis, please. . . . Purvis? Joppolo. Listen. . . ."

"No, now this is serious, Purvis. This thing about the carts. I've made up my mind. By one sentence General Marvin destroyed the work of nine days in this town. I know it may mean a court martial, but I've decided to countermand his order. What?"

"I know I'm taking a chance, but I've got to do it. We can't let these people starve. . . ."

"I have to do it, Purvis. This town is dying. No food can get into the town if the carts don't come. The town depends on the carts for

water: there isn't any running water here, you know that. The people can't go out into the fields to work in the morning. Taking carts away from this town is like taking automobiles away from a country town in the States. You just can't do it all at once. People will die. I'm not here to kill people."

Captain Purvis evidently put up an argument.

Finally the Major said: "Purvis, I order you, on my authority, to start letting carts back into the town, beginning now. I take absolute and complete responsibility for countermanding General Marvin's order. . . ."

"Listen friend, if we never took chances around here, this place would go right on being a Fascism. All right, it's on my responsibility."

The three cartmen sat through the telephone conversation not comprehending. To judge by their faces they seemed to think that Major Joppolo was devising some punishment for them. They had the habit of fear, and they thought that this man of authority would of course be exactly like the men of authority they had known for so long.

Major Joppolo hung up. He turned to the three cartmen and said: "You may bring your carts into the town."

For a long moment they did not understand. Then they stood up and began shouting and waving their caps.

"We thank you, we thank you and we kiss your hand," they roared.

"Oh, Mister Major, there has never been a thing like this," the fat one named Basile shouted, "that the



"Their bellies are big ones with the gas of hunger."

poor should come to the Palazzo di Clitta, and that their request should be granted."

"Especially," shouted the loud one named Afronti, "especially without a wait of two to three weeks."

"It was not necessary to write you a letter," Basile shouted.

"The police did not even examine us," roared Afronti.

The slow one named Erba finally got out a sentence. It was one of the few beautiful sentences he ever managed to say, and one of the longest. He said: "When the people come and take water from my cart to drink for their thirst, I shall say to them: 'Thank the Mister Major, my friends.'"

Major Joppolo said: "Get out of here. You are wasting my time and the time of all the people who are waiting outside that door." And he gestured impatiently at the men.

The cartmen went out, shouting and congratulating America.

The command post of the M.P.'s was housed in the Fascio, the one-story building which had been the headquarters of the Fascist Party. It was simply a string of rooms facing on the Via Dogana, just off the Piazza. The walls of the rooms were covered with pictures of various Fascist heroisms. Each room had a couple of desks, a filing cabinet, three or four uncomfortable chairs, and that was all. The building made a very convenient headquarters for both the M.P.'s and especially for Sergeant Borth's security detail, because the filing cabinets contained complete records on practically everyone in town, both party members and anti-Fascists.

On the morning when Major Joppolo called about the carts, there were three men in the main office of the M.P.'s. Besides Captain Purvis, there were Technical Sergeant Frank Trapani, who kept Captain Purvis's records and was more or less his secretary, and Corporal Chuck Schultz, who was the M.P. on guard.

Captain Purvis put down the telephone and said: "That Joppolo, I think he's nuts."

Sergeant Trapani said: "What's he done now, sir?"

"Oh," the Captain said, "he's always talking about democracy like

it was his mother. He ought to relax and have a little fun. Bet he's never been drunk in his life."

Corporal Schultz said: "He can have this Dago wine." He put his hands over his belly and made a face.

The Captain said: "Besides, he's got to get us all in trouble."

Sergeant Trapani said: "What's he done, sir?"

An Italian stuck his head in the door just out of curiosity.

"Get out of here, Trapani, tell that wop to get out of here and stay out." Captain Purvis did not speak a word of Italian, and it made him feel frustrated. Trapani told the curious one to move along.

"The carts," Captain Purvis said. "Joppolo has the nerve to tell General Marvin he knows where he can stick the carts, he wants them to come back into town."

Sergeant Trapani said: "It wasn't a very wise order in the first place, I think maybe the Major's right."

"Right!" Captain Purvis put his palm against his cheek in a gesture of amazement. "Why, man, General Marvin'll shoot him and us too. What do you think this man's army would be like if everybody just did what he wanted and went around countermanding orders every day? We got little enough discipline in our army anyhow without going around ignoring orders, especially from generals." Captain Purvis had been commissioned just eight months. He was very military.

"Yes, sir," Sergeant Trapani said. He knew what to say when his Captain started lecturing on discipline.

"Well, I got my orders," the Captain said. "I got to go out and take the guards off the road by the bridge and the sulphur works. But listen, I'm not going to burn for this guy Joppolo. He's all right, but he's just too serious. I'd sure like to see him high just once."

Corporal Schultz said: "Last night, oh, I'll never drink that stuff again."

"Listen," the Captain said. "I don't want to get in trouble and you don't either. We got to carry out this order and let the carts back in, but if General Marvin should drive back through this town, we'd all get hung for it. Just to cover ourselves, we'll make out a report saying just what happened, that General Marvin ordered us to keep the carts out, that Major Joppolo countermanded the order. You make it out, Trapani, and send it to G-one of the division."

"Yes, sir," Captain Purvis left. Sergeant Trapani said to Schultz: "That's a fine note, General Marvin's liable never to come back here, and if he did he'd probably never notice the carts. But once you get the thing on paper, it's just a sure way to ruin the Major. And he's so right about these carts anyway."

Corporal Schultz said: "Don't bother me, I got a headache of my own this morning."

Sergeant Trapani rolled a slip of purple paper, off a Fascist pad, into his typewriter. He wrote: "For Lieutenant Colonel W. W. Norris, G-1, 49th Division."

"From Captain N. Purvis, 123rd M. P. Company, Adano."

"Subject: Mule Carts, town of Adano."

"1. On July 19, orders were received from General Marvin, 49th Division, to keep all mule carts out of the town of Adano. Guards were posted at bridge over Rosso River and at Cacopardo Sulphur Refinery. Order carried out."

"2. On July 20, guards were removed on order of Major Victor Joppolo, Civil Affairs Officer, town of Adano, because carts were essential to town and town was in bad shape without same."

Sergeant Trapani read over what he had written: "Schultz, listen to this, do you think this'll get the Major in trouble?" And he read the report out loud. "I thought that part about the town needing the carts might make it okay for the Major."

"What's this Major to you?" Schultz said. "If he can't have any fun, what's he to you?"

Sergeant Trapani said: "Oh, nothing, I just hate to see a guy get in trouble when he's trying to do right."

Schultz said: "Well, then, why don't you let the order get lost in Captain Purvis's papers? Don't bother me, I feel awful."

Sergeant Trapani looked hard at Corporal Schultz. Then he stood up and went over to Captain Purvis's desk and put the purple slip in the middle of a disorderly pile of papers which Captain Purvis touched only in adding to it.

"Good idea," Trapani said. "You're Eytalian," Schultz said, "what do these Eytalians put in their booze?"

Early the next week, Giuseppe the interpreter came to Major Joppolo in some embarrassment.

"I'm sorry, boss," he said. "About what?" the Major said. "Boss, you say you want a go out with a blonde a Tina. I'm a sorry, boss."

"I never said any such thing, Giuseppe. What's got into you?"

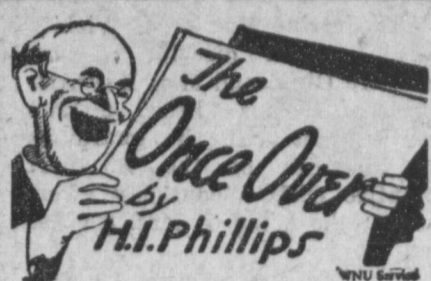
"Boss, you tell me other day you want a see Tina's old a man."

"Yes, I do want to see him."

"I'm sorry, boss."

"Well, what's that got to do with going out with the blonde?"

(TO BE CONTINUED)



Czar for the Airwaves

Radio is to have a czar. A sort of Judge Landis with time signals. And maybe cash prizes.

Broadcasters, advertisers and industry have formed a joint committee to eliminate radio evils. It has been decided to name a head man to clean things up. His first test will be to prove he can start functioning without a commercial.

"Rad" today is far from perfect," says one committeeman. This is the understatement of the generation.

Any and every industry has some faults. But radio is the only one that has subsidized and glamorized them. The things that annoyed the public in 1925 are still annoying it, but over more networks and with more cash prizes between exasperating moments.

It seems to have been the idea of the sponsor and the advertising agent that a commercial isn't adequate unless it makes the ultimate consumer writhe.

Study the commercial of 1925 and of 1947, and you will come to the conclusion that it has merely grown longer. And, worst of all, developed a particularly annoying technique through which the fellow spouting the commercial leaps into the act before the entertainer has fully finished.

The radio man crashes in to praise a washing powder so swiftly he telescopes the news broadcaster. The soloist doesn't finish her final note before the guy with the tooth paste spiel whams in from a running start.

How about some listeners on that board, including some top showmen, a couple of family people and the guy who just split his radio into pieces with a hatchet?

Your America and Mine

Squidhunk Creek.—The Boz Wintergreens have separated. Mrs. Wintergreen was chosen queen on the Queen for a Day radio program recently and never got back to earth, says Boz.

"Dopey" Clinghammer, who has always been a town problem, even more so since he got married, is laughing at folks who had said he would never get anywhere. He won a 10-room house completely furnished and \$5,000 cash the other night by giving Napoleon's first name and telling why he preferred Fizzie-Wizzle Toasties.

Bing Boggs had a windfall this week. His pa died and left him a hog.

CAN YOU REMEMBER—Away back when the major automobile companies saw to it that the customers could get an essential spare part when needed?

When you could scare the landlord into painting the house and fixing the roof by threatening to move?

EPITAPH Here lies Joe Zilch On grassy slopes: He's through with taxes Now . . . he hopes!

United Nations expects to have the first unit of its New York home erected by November of next year. We hope the world will last that long.

We hear that when "Babe" Hutton hears the question "What is the name please?" she now has to consult the record.

"Gen. Eisenhower is in fine fettle. He played nine holes of golf Sunday in 46."—News item.

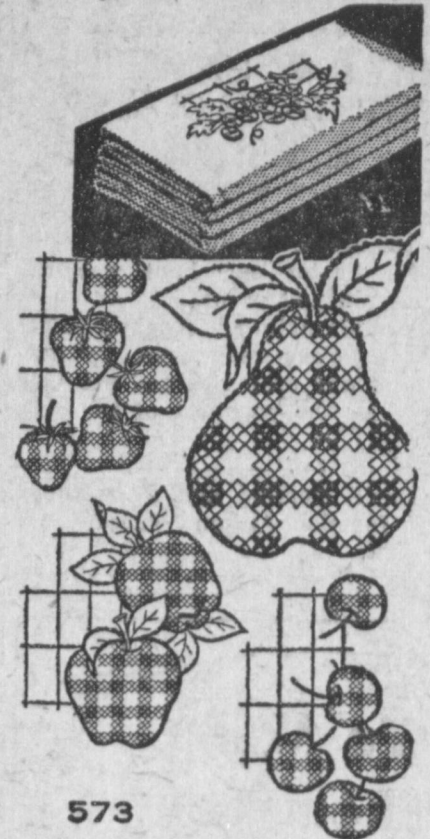
Well, that score for nine means close to 100 for 18 holes, and we refuse to think this is Ike's game. Anybody who saw him go from the Britany coast to Berlin in par or better, knows he must be playing the Chevy Chase course with a niblick and putter.

It looks more and more as if the next atomic war could come in the midst of the arguments over the use of atomic bombs in the next war.

HORSES AND HOLLYWOOD Even race horses go to Hollywood now to get into the big money. The other day Louis B. Mayer, famous movie mogul, put his skinnners up at public auction and they brought over a million and a half dollars. And that, even in Hollywood, is hay.

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The Answers

- 1. Its own weight. The glacier is so heavy it slides down hill. 2. Da Vinci. 3. Sturgeon. 4. Yes, generally speaking. However, it is known to have violent fits of temper when crossed in love. 5. The Golden Horn is part of the harbor of Istanbul. 6. Lamb's quarters is a vegetable sometimes known as white pigweed.

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EASTER CANTATA OFF; SINGERS ARE ILL

The planned rendition of Ffimi's Easter Cantata, "The Stone Is Rolled Away," which was to have been given next Sunday night, has been cancelled, E. Stanley Green, Jr., Methodist choir director, announced Thursday.

Decision was reached earlier in the week, when it was found that illness had so incapacitated members of both the Presbyterian and Methodist choirs that it would be impossible to obtain the necessary number of singers.

MRS. B. W. HAMBLIN ENTERTAINS CLASS

Mrs. B. W. Hamblin entertained Thursday afternoon at 4 for her nursery and beginners' class of the Methodist Sunday school.

An Easter egg hunt was the chief planned event.

Mrs. Hamblin has recently painted the class room, put up new shades and draperies and provided toys for the youngest of the children.

David Herring and Bert Haney left for San Antonio Tuesday for a visit.

CAMPFIRE VISITORS MEET LOCAL GROUP

Miss Corrine Moeller of Wichita Falls, regional director of the Campfire Girls, and Miss Kay Alspaugh of Corpus Christi, district director, met with the guardians and sponsors of the Rockport Campfire Girls Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Roe.

Following the meeting refreshments were served to the following:

Mrs. Clyde Townsend, Mrs. B. W. Hamblin, Mrs. J. W. Wilkerson, Mrs. E. J. Albin, Mrs. Roy Hinton, Mrs. Steirly Rozzell, Mrs. H. C. Mullinax, Mrs. Charles Roe and two out-of-town visitors—Mrs. Erwin Schultz from Tivoli and Mrs. Ann Beaty from Austwell. Mrs. Hinton poured coffee.

The table was set with a crocheted table cloth and the centerpiece was an Easter nest, ducks on a nest of golden eggs resting on a reflector.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JOY HAMBLIN

Mrs. B. W. Hamblin honored the fifth birthday of her small daughter, Joy, last Monday with a birthday party and Easter egg hunt at Oleander Court.

Prizes were won by Steirly Rozzell, Jr. and Randy Ramseur in the egg hunt.

Mrs. Hamblin served cake and ice cream, assisted by her daughters Wilburn and Rosa Faye, to the following guests:

Ricky and Randy Ramseur, Mike Smith, Mike Johnson, Carl Kelly, Glenn Blackwell, Nancy Court, Roland Harbin, Steirly Rozzell, Jr., Joy Roe, Mrs. Jerald Brundrett, Mrs. Hugh V. Haddock, Mrs. Steirly Rozzell, and Mrs. John Ramseur.

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In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

And behold, there was a great earthquake; for the angel of the Lord descended from Heaven and came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning and his raiment white as snow, and for fear of him the keepers did shake and become as dead men.

And the angel answered and said unto the women:

"Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

"He is not here: for He is risen as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

SUNDAY IS EASTER

CAMPFIRE GIRLS ELECT OFFICERS

Rockport's Campfire Girls elected the following officers last Thursday afternoon:

Alice Bell, president; Mary Ann Close, vice president; Norma Lou Roe, secretary; Rosa Faye Hamblin, social chairman.

The girls plan an Easter egg, candy and cake sale downtown this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Norvell Jackson and children spent last week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Porter in Austin, parents of Mrs. Jackson. While there they attended the Texas relays. Mary Lucille stayed with her grandparents for an extended visit.

JACKSONS TO AUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jackson left Rockport Wednesday for Austin to bring back Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davis for the Easter holidays. Mr. Davis is attending the University of Texas, and Mrs. Davis is employed by the Veterans Administration on the campus. While here, they will visit in the Jackson home and that of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis, Fulton.

Miss Shirley Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Johnson and a student at the University will accompany the group back to Rockport.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Clarence Hysell and Mrs. Pearl Hudson
William Parr and Mrs. Ann Russell.

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ROCKPORT RED CROSS SENDS CLOTHING

Women of the Rockport Red Cross chapter put a whirlwind finish on their year's production of clothing for the national Red Cross last weekend, Mrs. J. F. Brundrett volunteer special service chairman, reported.

Mrs. Brundrett shipped to national headquarters a box containing 61 pairs of boys' overalls and 12 knitted sweaters. The overalls were to be used for overseas emergency relief, while the sweaters will be used in U. S. government hospitals.

Materials were furnished, in both cases, by the national Red Cross organization. Knitting was under the direction of Mrs. Fred Booth, while Mrs. John C. Sorenson supervised the sewing of the overalls.

500 CLUB MEETS AT CAMEHL HOME

The 500 Club met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Henry Camehl with the club's guest, Mrs. Rob Johnson, filling the place of Mrs. Lloyd Lassiter, who was absent.

Mrs. Camehl and Mrs. Mollye Davis tallied the high scores.

Those enjoying the afternoon of play were Mesdames Camehl, Mollye Davis, Johnson, Jack Davis, Marvin Davis, Otis Yeats, Julius Malcher and Bruce Winkle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ankele and children Jimmy and Terry, spent last week-end in Angleton, visiting Mr. Ankele's mother, Mrs. Ed Ankele.

BERTHA McELWEE AND JAMES DIETRICH WED

Miss Bertha Vay McElwee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McElwee and James Dietrich, son of Mrs. J. B. Dietrich were married Wednesday night at the home of Rev. Wheeler in Rockport.

The two young people and their parents are residents of Fulton, and the bride and bridegroom will continue to reside there.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Highfill attended the couple at the ceremony.

The bride wore an aqua blue dress, shirred at the waist, with black accessories, and a corsage of red carnations.

Mr. Dietrich is employed by Mr. Highfill, a painting contractor. Both of the young people attended Rockport High School.

CIRCLE DELEGATES BACK FROM LAREDO

Four Rockport women, who attended the 45th annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Texas Presbytery, at Laredo March 24-26, have returned home with reports of an instructive and enjoyable trip.

Those making the trip were: Mrs. Norvell Jackson, newly elected president of the Rockport Auxiliary; Mrs. T. H. Pollard, a member of the executive board; Mrs. James G. Hooper and Mrs. Herbert Mills, delegates.

The four spent one afternoon shopping and sight-seeing across the border at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.



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An Open Letter

To the Voters of The Rockport Independent School District:

At the present time I have four children in the Rockport Schools, and expect to have children in the local schools for the next eighteen years. Helping them get the best possible education is, to my way of thinking, the most important job I have.

In fact, I believe that the first responsibility of any community is to see that its children have the best possible educational advantages so that they may be adequately fitted for the complexities of our modern way of life. If elected as one of your School Trustees, I promise to give whatever abilities I might possess to help put The Rockport Schools on a par with any in the State. I promise to give what time is necessary, to give my best thought and study to the problems as they come up in order to accomplish these ends.

There is much to be done, and in order to get it done everybody in the community who is interested in the children's education and welfare is going to have to cooperate in every way possible. In asking for your vote, I am also asking for your promise regardless of who is elected—that you will work with the School Trustees, and give them your best help and support so that Rockport may have as good a School System as there is in the country.

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550,000 Texas Vets Ask Terminal Pay

Col. J. R. Vance, commanding officer of the U. S. Army finance office at Fort Sam Houston, announced this week that 550,000 claims for terminal leave pay had been received from Texas veterans as of March 15.

The claims are being handled by a special clerical section which is specially trained for this type of work, Col. Vance said, and it was expected that all claims on hand would be disposed of within thirty days. Veterans who submit their claims immediately will receive payment in 30 or 60 days, he said.

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Albert Dekker-Ava Gardner in "The Killers"

Drunk Drivers Lose Licenses

Aransas County authorities and the Texas State Highway Patrol are co-operating to crack down on drunken drivers, County Attorney Emory M. Spencer said this week.

Six such drivers have been fined \$50 and costs and deprived of their drivers' licenses so far this year, Spencer said. All the cases have been tried before County Judge B. S. Fox.

"When you consider the comparatively small number of cars in this county," Spencer pointed out, "the six fined amount to a higher percentage of convictions than most countries show. But we absolutely intend to file and prosecute where cases of drunken driving are brought to attention of the authorities."

Spencer complimented Sheriff Curry and the highway patrol upon the co-operation given in the cases handled.

Bonnie Cron and Joan Collins were presented in a piano recital by Miss Ann Pitman at Corpus Christi Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Charles F. Cron and Mrs. J. F. Collins, mothers of the two girls, attended.

Mrs. Romaine Ammons is recuperating at home after several days in an Aransas Pass hospital.

Mrs. Floyd Smith left Rockport Wednesday to be with her husband, a discharged veteran, who underwent an operation at Brooke General Hospital.

CARD OF THANKS

To all of those who ministered in any way to the beloved husband and father Cesilio Solis, in his last illness, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation for the many beautiful flowers and kind expressions of sympathy, we are very grateful and to those men who bore his body to its last resting place, we give special thanks.

May God bless and keep you all. Mrs. Cesilio Solis, Ramon C. Solis, Jesus D. Solis, Louis M. Solis

V. F. W. Installs New Officers for 1947

The Veterans of Foreign Wars installed their 1947 officers Wednesday night at a public ceremony. Commander Bill Womack of Aransas Pass was installing officer, and about 15 persons attended from Aransas Pass. Nearly 50 members, guests, and members of the Ladies' Auxiliary were present and participated in refreshments served at the end of the ceremony.

Officers installed were Cecil V. Gray, commander; William Pierson, senior vice commander; V. C. Ammons, junior vice commander; M. O. Brundrett, quarter-master; O. V. Dye, chaplain; T. J. Johnson, post surgeon; Eugene D. Townsend, patriotic instructor; Roscoe Johnson, trustee; James Sorenson, Jr., judge advocate and legislative officer.

Joan Back Home, Cured of Polio

Mrs. Iva Hague and her children had something more than just another Easter to celebrate this week. For the first time in nearly a year, all of them were at home together again.

Joan, 4, was taken to the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation last June 18 suffering from the after effects of polio, came home last Sunday almost completely cured and assured that she will entirely recover.

Joan's uncle, Jack Blackwell, drove Mrs. Hague up to Gonzales to bring the youngster to Rockport.

Miss Charlotte Ann Cron, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Cron and now in her first year at Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., will spend the Easter vacation with Nancy and Howbert Steele at the University of Missouri at Columbia. The Steeles were former Rockport residents.

Crossword Answer

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OIL AND GAS LEASES AND TRANSACTIONS

The following oil and gas lease transactions were recorded at the Aransas County courthouse last week by County Clerk Herring. The list is furnished by the Duphorne Land Title Co. of Aransas Pass:

Miss Matilda Showaker to the Atlantic Refining Company, oil and gas lease, farm lot 17, land black 222, Burton & Danforth Subdivision; \$10 consideration.

William Kent, Jr., et al to Aransas county oil and gas lease, 214.8 Acres out of David Lockhard Survey, no consideration announced.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF LULA DORETHY, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Lula Dorethy, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 31st day of March, 1947, by the County Court of Aransas County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and Post Office Address are Rockport, County of Aransas, State of Texas.

EMORY M. SPENCER, Executor of the Estate of Lula Dorethy, Deceased. 35c1

For Boat Trailers ALBIN'S

Gay Moss, Kingsville, and Mr. and Mrs. Truette Moss of Freer were guests last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moss of Rockport. They spent considerable time fishing but had no luck.

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Baseball Players Hope for Team

Rockport baseball players were hoping this week that enough interest in the sport could be aroused to build a team such as the town had in pre war days.

Representing a group of hopefuls, Constancio Solis called a meeting of all players interested in forming a team at the old baseball diamond at 2:30 p.m. Sunday. He urged that full support is vital to the plan and asked a large attendance.

L. E. Armer of Rockport is in Spohn Hospital, Corpus Christi, where he underwent a surgical operation. He is progressing satisfactorily.

Mrs. Bert Johnson has been seriously ill with influenza at her home in Fulton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. McKim of Crestline, Ohio, were guests in the John Ramseur home last week. Mrs. McKim is a sister of Mrs. Ramseur.

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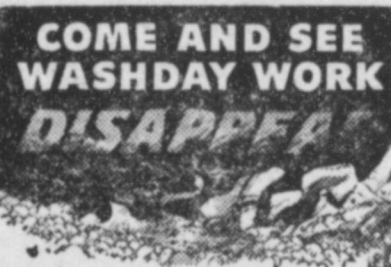
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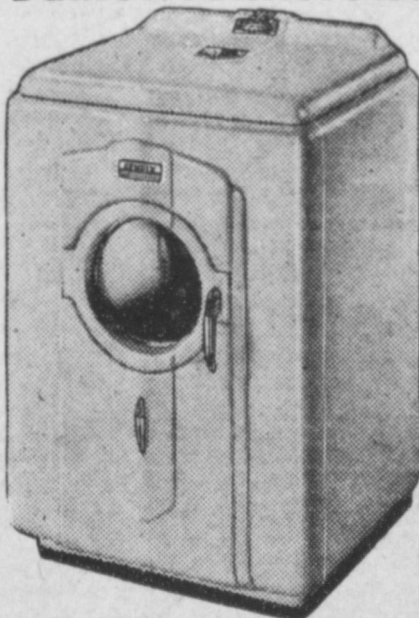
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A modern kitchen is a gold mine. There's a motor in the electric refrigerator, the food mixer, the ventilating fan. (The list below will remind you of others.) Don't skip any rooms. Even the garage and storeroom may be rich picking.

Finished? How does the count compare with your guess? Most people guess way low. Actually 10 motors per house is common—20 is not unusual!

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The nearer we get to the sun, the colder it gets. We cannot as yet appreciably change the great distance between ourselves and the sun. But we can go up into the air so far that the atmosphere is thinner—and since the air helps transform the rays of the sun into heat, it gets colder as we leave the surface of the earth.

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Man About Town:

Broadway Confetti: Passing an apartment the other day we heard some music. It brought us up short. It was beautiful. Here's the low-down: It won't be released until May. Watch it click. The name of the ditty: "Rockin' Horse Cowboy" (words and tune by Tony Starr and Frank Capano), recorded by Frankie Carle. The vocalists are Marjorie Hughes... Murray Winant's kiddie album, "It's Fun To Eat," is a click. He will do several albums—taking all child problems off your headaches... Street scene in Washington Square: Little 7-year-old Susan Greenberg (in the early yawning), who has the honor of giving Fala his daily stroll.

From all those reports of American looting in Germany you'd gather that we have divested the Germans of everything but pro-Hitlerites. Reports from there indicate that nationalism again is on the rise. Well, you can't blame 'em. From the way we've been treating them, they are bound to think THEY won the war!

The Stage Door: Paulette Goddard, twitted for exotic evening dress (without hosiery), observed the following afternoon anking (and such ankles) along 7th avenue for more sensible covering... Leonora Corbett of the British stage is a new Yankee Doodle Dandy... Not too many playgoers know it, but "The Importance of Being Earnest" was dashed off by Oscar Wilde when he was happily married, and not after his famous fumble... Clark Gable told reporters he considered himself lucky to wind up with \$1,000 after a year of earning \$6,000 weekly. Lucky is right. One columnist we know (the makes almost twice that much) winds up owing his heirs 10 times what Gable keeps.

Midtown Vignette: One of those naive, gullible, midtown husbands was finally told that his Mrs. was giving him the Old Razzoo... "We'll show you with your own eyes," said a pal... They went to a movie theater and, sure enough, there she was (necking like anything) in the next-to-last row with a fella... They watched the whole thing and then left... "Well?" said the pal... "So what?" was the answer. "I don't even know the guy!"

The Press Box: A Detroit daily neatly nutshelled: "The basic task at the Moscow conference will not be to make peace with Germany but to keep peace among the Allies..." Since the end of the war, American taxpayers have shelled out half a billion to solve Germany's problems. A fraction of that sum would solve the housing problem of American war vets... Both John L. Lewis and Joe Stalin have discovered that when Uncle Sam runs out of patience—you will start running for cover. Hitler also discovered that. In short: America's answer to the iron curtain—is an iron list!... Washington bizmen report hat biz has tobogganed 32 per cent (in the last six months) because of government payroll slashes.

The Irony of the Week: It was just a short paragraph on an inside page, but the irony of the yarn packed more of a dramatic wallop than any playwright could concoct: Many Germans are now trying to be converted to the Jewish faith in the hope that it will make it easier for them to get a visa to the United States! We only regret that the Jews those Germans helped slaughter didn't live to view the spectacle of their cowardly tormentors trying to hide behind the religion they hit from behind.

Colyumemos: Herbert Lehman told a group seeking donations that he is unemployed for the first time in his life, with no prospect of a job in sight. Then he donated \$45,000... Victor Gilbert's millionaire parent built (for him) a hotel in Ridgefield, Conn., which cost \$200,000. It makes most other hotels its size look like hoboholes. The fee for a weekend is only \$200... After reading a vignette here about Ben Grauer (the radiator) losing heavily at a gaming casino in Havana, the New York state income tax department sent Grauer a \$505 refund... That's love department: Dr. Peter Lindstrom flew in from the coast (in risky weather) to spend two days with his beloved wife, Ingrid one-guess.

Sounds in the Night: In the Mermaid room: "Some big name actors have talent, but most have press agents..." In the Copacabana: "She didn't mind his wife, at all. She just couldn't stand his girl friends..." At Howie's: "Instead of giving Hollywood newbies best wishes, everybody gives them odds..." At Yank Sing: "He does the stage more ham than good..." In Bradley's: "Many a true word is spoken in whispers..." At Pallini's: "A typical society triangle—him, his wife and her money."

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS Georgia Gets New Governor; Swollen British Rivers Bring Misery, Destruction

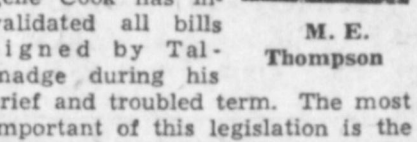
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Political satire turned up unexpectedly in a Swiss Lenten parade. The drum major, called "the big guy from the East," bears an unmistakable resemblance to Stalin. The drummers are supposed to depict the Soviet commissars and generals marching roughshod over small states. Switzerland is probably the only southern European country free enough for a public lampooning of Russian leaders. The parade attracted much attention as it wound through the ancient streets of Basle.

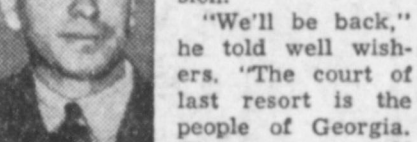
GEORGIA: Talmadge Ousted

Melvin E. Thompson, elected lieutenant governor, is rightful governor of Georgia, the state supreme court has ruled, 5 to 2. Herman Talmadge, son of Gene, who has been acting as governor since his appointment by the legislature, was declared a usurper. Atty. Gen. Eugene Cook has invalidated all bills signed by Talmadge during his brief and troubled term. The most important of this legislation is the white primary bill, but 150 other measures also were declared void by Cook.



M. E. Thompson

The 33-year-old son of the famous "Old Gene" accepted the verdict of the state's highest tribunal and immediately made preparations to leave the executive mansion.



H. Talmadge

"We'll be back," he told well wishers. "The court of last resort is the people of Georgia. This case will be taken to the court of last resort." This was interpreted as indicating that Talmadge intends to run again in 1948, when a special election will be held. Under the law a lieutenant governor can serve only two years as governor.

The supreme court's majority decision took the view that the legislature erred when it appointed Herman Talmadge governor on January 14. The legislature, after a canvass of votes cast, acted on the theory that since Eugene Talmadge had died before inauguration, that there was no one elected to the office. Herman Talmadge was chosen on the basis of a few write-in votes. Thompson, duly elected lieutenant governor, was ignored.

FARM MACHINERY: Prices Trimmed

Although demand is expected to exceed supply "for months to come," International Harvester company has reduced prices on 163 items of farm equipment. More than half the company's customers will benefit, a spokesman said. Reductions range from 1 to 23.8 per cent, or in dollars from \$2.50 to \$300. Lower prices have been announced for 123 farm machines, 16 models of industrial tractors, 12 models of motor trucks and 12 other miscellaneous articles. The program will cost the company about 20 million dollars this year, it was stated. New prices became effective March 10.

Typical of reductions are new prices of the Farmall-H tractor, down \$125, or 10.6 per cent; the automatic pickup hay baler, down \$75, or 4.1 per cent, and the self-propelled combine, now \$122.50, or 3.4 per cent lower.

Trucks were trimmed \$50 to \$300 in price, depending on size. Estimated overall reduction on industrial products amounted to about 3.5 per cent, officials stated.

Railroads Rent Autos

Railroads will resume their auto-renting service by June 1 in 300 cities, announces H. W. Siddall, chairman of the Railroad Passenger Interterritorial committee. In this arrangement a railroad passenger can obtain the use of a car through the railroad's agents. The acute shortage of new cars has delayed resumption of this service, Siddall said. Autos can be obtained in 1,000 cities by the end of next year.

BRITAIN: Floods New Peril

Melting of the thick blanket of snow that brought great hardship to Britain has swollen streams to flood stage. Many thousands of people in southern England are being forced out of their homes by rising waters. Some rivers already have passed the record high marks of 1894. Community kitchens are being set up to feed refugees. Troops, German war prisoners and volunteers are struggling to save water purifying stations, gas and electric plants, and other essential services. Others are sandbagging dikes and river walls.

"It is our worst disaster in 300 years," declares Miss Phoebe Cusden, mayor of the Thames river town of Caversham.

Snow still is hampering transportation in five counties of northern England. These regions will have to cope with floods later.

Agricultural losses are already immense and prospects are for even more staggering damage. Tens of thousands of sheep and cattle are drowning in the Midlands regions. It is estimated that three million farm animals died over the winter, killed by snow and cold. Most of the spring wheat crop is ruined. The potato crop in the fenslands is considered destroyed. Planting of early crops is far behind schedule. In a country that has been on short rations for seven years, this further blow is extremely serious.

Well, \$25,000 Ain't Hay

For many years Miss Mary B. Powers of New York City has been refusing dividends earned by her stock in the Glen Alden Coal Co. She has been living in a New York hotel as a recluse for the last 15 years. Something has changed her mind recently, however, and she has decided to accept her dividends after all. She has \$25,000 coming.

DRAFT EVADERS: FBI Hunts 9,178

Ending of selective service has forced a change in the department of justice's handling of draft evaders. Heretofore the department's policy was to turn such men over to the army for induction. Since the armed forces no longer want them, they will have to face conviction and sentence in federal courts, says J. Edgar Hoover, director of the department's Federal Bureau of Investigation.

FBI agents everywhere have been furnished with descriptions of 9,178 men who are wanted for draft evasion. Many of these failed to register, or employed one of the many dodges with which the FBI is familiar.

ELECTRIFICATION: Loans Reach Billion

With the granting of \$145,000 to Illinois, Rural Electrification administration loans have reached the billion dollar mark. Every state excepting Connecticut and Massachusetts now have co-operatives financed by REA funds. On January 1, REA loans totaled \$958,000,000. More than 1,000 borrowers have repaid \$128,098,000 in principal and interest.

PARAGUAY: Civil War

So serious is the rebellion in Paraguay that President Morinigo has issued a war decree to mobilize the full powers of the government. Rebels now are holding large sections of the little South American country. Government officials state that the revolt is Communist-inspired. They further charge that Communists in neighboring Uruguay and Bolivia are giving every assistance to the rebels.

The war act gives the government power to draft men, property and money, and to suspend any laws. The preamble declares that it was issued in accordance with "international agreement signed by this country for defense of the continent against subversive movements of a totalitarian character."

According to news from Brazil, the insurgents have won control of all the Paraguayan side of the Paraguayan-Brazil border by capturing the towns of Bela Vista, Pedro Juan Caballero and Capitan Bado.

Paraguayan government reports say that some of the rebel forces have deserted and surrendered to government troops. There were other stories, denied by the government, that some infantry, artillery and naval units had refused orders to fight the rebels.

ATOMIC ORE: Rigid Regulations

In a move to safeguard the nation's supply of uranium and thorium ores, the Atomic Energy commission has issued a new and very strict code. Death is the penalty for major violations of the rigid regulations, which affect everyone handling the radio-active ores.

The code sets up a licensing system specifying that no one, unless licensed by the commission, can "transfer or export from the United States" any material that contains as much as 1-20th of one per cent of uranium or thorium.

After April 1, anyone not licensed who obtains 10 pounds or more of raw uranium or thorium must report it to the commission within 30 days. Use of uranium in ceramics, photographic supplies and other industrial products is practically forbidden, since no further supply of the metal will be allowed after April 1.

Overcomes Handicap



Sgt. Harold Russell, who lost both hands in service, is on tour in connection with his first movie venture, "The Best Years of Our Lives." He received an Academy award for his part in the picture, in which he played a disabled veteran. The film is being shown at army hospitals as part of the rehabilitation program for handicapped men. Russell does not intend to act again; his ambition is to be a specialist in movie advertising. He is shown here demonstrating how well he can perform such delicate tasks as operating a camera with his hooks.

U. S. FARM REPORT: Five-Year Rise

Value of farms in the United States increased by one-third, on the average, and value of produce doubled between 1940 and 1945, the census bureau reports. Number of farms declined, and size of farms increased during the five-year period, as was generally known.

Total worth of the nation's farms rose steadily to \$46,388,925,560 in the five years covered. Present values are considerably higher. The average farm in 1945 was 194.8 acres, compared with 174 acres five years earlier.

Market value of produce increased from \$7,813,644,000 to \$18,108,132,000. Number of people on farms decreased sharply but the bureau says it has no figure for 1946 exactly comparable to the 1945 total, when there were 23,588,488 listed as farm dwellers. Tenant farmers dropped from 2,361,271 to 1,858,421 in the five year term.

Other changes, as summarized in the report, were these: "Farmers are using more machinery. More farms are operated by farmers and fewer by tenants. Fewer farmers engage in off-farm work."

CANCER: Italian Treatment

A new drug that is effective in the treatment of cancer has been reported by an Italian researcher. The chemical has been named FA2 by its discoverer, Dr. Francisco Guarnieri of Rome. He is cautious about claiming that he has found a true cure for the dread malady but stated that "only patient and arduous experiments in the coming months will be able to prove its value."

SEWING CIRCLE PATTERNS Warm Weather Togs for Tots Button-Trimmed Daytime Frock

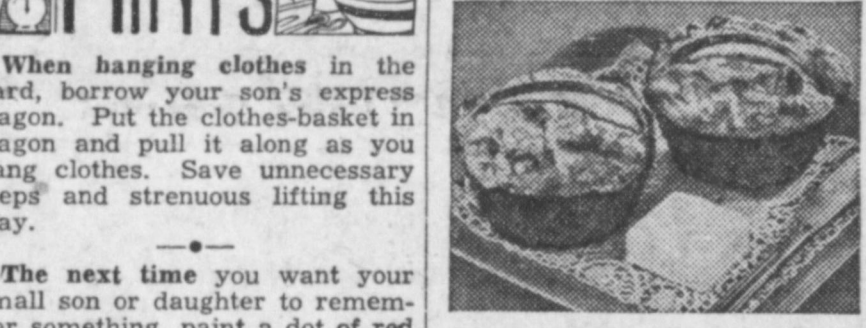


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The next time you want your small son or daughter to remember something, paint a dot of red nail polish on a thumbnail. This is better than the time-tested method of "tying a string."

At 12 months, the average child may be expected to have a vocabulary of three words. At 18 months, the child should know 22 words and at 24 months will have a vocabulary of about 270 words. But don't try to push him. This may give rise to serious disorders later.

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Wallpaper, to take a water base paint, must be completely dry, so it is best not to tackle the job in damp weather. Wait for a warm day. Apply with wide brush or roller for the very best results.

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Rockport School Census Complete

The Rockport Independent school district contains 636 children of school age this year.

The announcement was made this week as the annual school census was completed under direction of Miss Katie Lee Clarke, fifth grade teacher.

This year's census was taken entirely by the teachers of the school district under Miss Clarke's direction. Last year the count was made by County Clerk Herring.

The total of 636 represents an increase of about eight per cent above the 1946 total of 588 and insures the Rockport schools of at least one additional teacher and possibly two, Supt. J. F. Harblin said.

Actually in the schools now are 558 from the Rockport district and enough transfers to bring the total to 629.

"We can use the extra teachers all right," Harblin added. "Miss Clarke has 52 youngsters in her class this year, and that is just an illustration of the crowded conditions throughout the schools."

Allocation of money from the state school funds is made upon the basis of children of school age in a district. Under present laws, that may amount to as high as \$35 per child, from the available school fund, plus rural and depending on the amount of tax money the state has collected.

A measure is now before the legislature which would change the basis for funds allocations to the number of students actually enrolled in school. Another measure would increase the per capita payments to \$55 from the available school fund.

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REALTY TRANSFERS PUT ON RECORD

The following real estate transactions were recorded last week at the Aransas County courthouse by County Clerk Herring. The list is furnished through courtesy of the Duphorne Land Title Co. of Aransas Pass.

Samuel G. Tayloe et al to Elizabeth Pitts et al, warranty deed, a portion of lots 7 and 8, block 47, Fulton; revenue stamps indicate a \$6000 consideration.

Eunice M. Revelle et vir to J. H. Freeze, quit claim deed, lots 7 and 14, block 12, Hoff's Addition to Aransas Pass.

Pershing Barnett et ux to William A. Freeze, warranty deed, the northeast 1/4 of farm lot 2, land block 213, Burton and Danforth Subdivision; \$2,650 consideration.

Mrs. Lula M. Hawkins to Glenn Duphorne, warranty deed, farm lot 2, land block 228, Bourton and Danforth subdivision; stamps indicate \$500 consideration.

Wretha Benson Johnson et al to C. A. Benson, warranty deed, the east halves of lots 9 and 10 and the north half of lot 11, block 202, Smith and Wood Division; stamps indicate \$500 transaction.

Gladys Bruhl-Gibson, ind. executrix to Charles Albert Gibson et al, warrantee deed, 1/4 to each grantee; lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, block 48, Smith and Wood Division; and 10 acres out of Survey 129, Fulton; \$10 consideration.

Commissioners of Aransas County to Emory M. Spencer, commissioner's deed, lots 3, 11, and 12, block 439; lots 2, 8, 9 and 12, block 440; lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 441 and lot 2, block 442, all in the Manning Addition. Also all of the water front reserve lying east of lot 2, block 440; all of the water front reserve lying east of lots 3 and 6, block 441, all of the water front reserve lying east of lot 2, block 442, and all of the water front reserve lying east of lot 3, block 439, all in the Manning Addition.

Steve D. Ford, Jr., et ux to High Point Oil Company, Deed, all of lot 2 of the J. D. Wheeler Subdivision, John H. Phillips Survey; \$10 consideration.

Eight Games For Rockport Nine

Eight games were down for Rockport High School baseball schedule this week, starting with a game at Corpus Christi on April 11.

Three days behind the season opener in playing their first, the Rockport team will wind up the schedule with the two final games.

The schedule, as released by Superintendent Harbin, carries only three schools, Corpus Christi, Rockport and Refugio and follows:

- April 8—Refugio at Corpus Christi.
- April 11—Rockport at Corpus Christi.
- April 15—Rockport at Refugio.
- April 18—Corpus Christi at Refugio.
- April 22—Corpus Christi at Rockport.
- April 25—Refugio at Rockport.
- April 29—Refugio at Corpus Christi.
- May 2—Rockport at Corpus Christi.
- May 6—Rockport at Refugio.
- May 9—Corpus Christi at Refugio.
- May 13—Corpus Christi at Rockport.
- May 16—Refugio at Rockport.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and relatives for their beautiful floral offerings and kind expressions of sympathy during the illness and death of Mrs. Mary H. Hall.

Especially do we wish to thank the doctors and nurses of the Aransas Pass Hospital for their kindness.

The Family of Mrs. Mary H. Hall. c50

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF KATHRYN BREMMER STEIRLY, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Kathryn Bremmer Steirly, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 11th day of March, 1947, by the County Court of Aransas County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and Post Office Address are Rockport, County of Aransas, State of Texas.

LOIS STEIRLY ROZZELL, Administrator of the Estate of Kathryn Bremmer Steirly, Deceased. 34c51

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT REESE STEIRLY, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Albert Reese Steirly, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 11th day of March, 1947, by the County Court of Aransas County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and Post Office Address are Rockport, County of Aransas, State of Texas.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF WM. MAYER, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters of Administration upon the Estate of Wm. Mayer, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 20th day of March, 1947, by the County Court of Aransas County, Texas. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and Post Office Address are Rockport, County of Aransas, State of Texas.

A. C. GLASS, Administrator of the Estate of Wm. Mayer, Deceased. c51

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: CRAIG A. WAGNER, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 36th Judicial District 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 21st day of April A. D. 1947, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 18th day of December A. D. 1946, in this cause, numbered 2412 on the docket of said court and styled Lilly Mae Wagner, Plaintiff, vs. Craig A. Wagner, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Suit for Divorce, alleging as grounds therefor, harsh and cruel treatment and praying for dissolution of marriage and for custody of minor child, Lois Carol Wagner, 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 7th day of March A. D. 1947.

Attest:
(SEAL) JAS. C. HERRING, Clerk, District Court, Aransas County, Texas

By Bonnie Townsend, Deputy. 32c50

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- BAKING CHOCOLATE, Baker's Premium, 1/2 pound pkg. 25c**
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First Tarpon Caught At Port Aransas

The first tarpon of the season was caught at Port Aransas Wednesday morning. Miss Jackie Tarrant of Port Aransas brought the five-foot, 11-inch fish to gaff after a 45-minute tussle. The first catch of a silver king in 1946 was reported two weeks earlier—March 17.

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Gary Cooper
Jean Arthur

Saturday
April 12

"Blazing the Western Trail"

Chas. Starrett

Butane Systems Tagged Serious Explosion Risk

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in case of fires or explosions resulting from butane leaks.

Property owners were warned to check their own butane systems, to make sure that the tanks are a legal distance from the house, that no traps exist, that there are no soldered joints, and that pipes from tank to house are underground and drain from the house back to the tank. Any of these Davis said, set up critical risks.

BOOBY TRAPS

The two principal danger areas are the schoolhouses and the downtown district on the west side of Austin street in the block north of Market, Davis told the council at a special called meeting last Friday night.

The danger at the schoolhouses lay in the way they are installed, Davis said, and it's seriousness lay in the number of children who were in danger.

The downtown risks include everything from a tank installed in an alley without protection to traps, soldered joints, exposed pipes and rubber tubings.

Davis would not forecast what action the Railroad Commission would require on existing downtown installations, but said that the orders would come from the commission's office in Austin within the next couple of weeks.

O. K. For Natural Gas

He said that the piping at the school would have been perfectly satisfactory for natural gas, but that it was highly dangerous for butane. He complimented Harbin upon the latter's prompt action.

Davis went over Mayor Bruhl's home installation and found that even it was not up to standard, but the inspector did hang up one honor for the mayor. The only building in the downtown section where the butane installation complies with the law, he said, is that which houses Ballard Drug Co. and the hotel above. The mayor had that system installed.

"Even so," Davis said grimly, "if one of the buildings to either side were to catch fire from a butane explosion, that building wouldn't be safe. Fire spreads and explosions are never confined to one small spot."

He recalled the Bracht store blast of a year ago where windows and other property were damaged at a distance from the actual explosion scene and pointed to two more recent blasts in Corpus Christi which have claimed lives and destroyed property.

EVERYBODY INSTALLS

Present at the special council meeting were Mayor Bruhl, Councilman Le Blanc, Picton, Hanway and Shivers, Fire Chief Lloyd Lassiter and Assistant Chief Charles Ankele, Supt. Harbin, Fire Marshal Paul Sorenson, Bill Stevenson and Hugh V. Haddock, editor of The Pilot and Chamber of Commerce secretary.

Davis reminded that the basic safety code has been in effect since 1936 and ascribed most of the trouble in Rockport to the fact that unlicensed persons have installed many of the butane systems. These, he said, include plumbers, handy men and even the property owners themselves.

Four Toss Hats Into Ring

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in his business during the past year. He has many friends among business men and other influential persons in Rockport.

The other two candidates are Lock Adkins, who retired Tuesday as mayor of Beeville, and Harvey Shell of Gregory, who, at one time represented this district in the lower house.

Shell was prominently mentioned for the place by legislators who knew him when the last Rockport delegation was in Austin nearly three weeks ago on the Copano Bay closing bill.

Brown drew his opposition by only the narrowest of squeaks, and it was not until after noon Wednesday that the opposition became official. Meantime, one of those legal puzzles which drive public officials madly haywire was providing headaches for County Judge B. S. Fox and County Attorney Emory M. Spencer.

OUT—THEN IN

Governor Jester called the election for April 19. The law allows 20 days before election for absentee voting by mail.

The way Aransas County authorities figured, that meant that filings had to close by last Saturday afternoon. A conference with County Judge Wade of Bee County confirmed that opinion.

The last three aspirants tried to file Monday with Judge Fox and he declined to accept the filings. Then came word from Judge Wade that the correct time for closing filings was 4:30 p.m. Monday.

Puzzled, Judge Fox appealed to Spencer, then to the office of the secretary of state at Austin. The secretary of state referred Judge Fox back to Spencer. In case Spencer wasn't sure, that office said, he could consult the attorney general.

The secretary of state staff apparently had not consulted the attorney general, although the two offices are less than a hundred feet apart in the capitol.

Meanwhile, time was grinding along and the election getting closer. Judge Fox tried again to get in touch with Judge Wade and accomplished that at noon Wednesday.

TIME TO BE SHORT

The final verdict set the correct time for the end of filings at 4:30 p.m. Monday and the additional names were certified for appearance on the ballot.

The person who is elected to fill the post will have a short active term and—if anything—shorter pay.

Unless the legislature is called back into special session at some time during the next year, an unlikely situation, actual service in the lower house will be limited to the session which usually ends about June 1.

As for pay, the legislature goes off its \$10-a-day wage in early May and from then on the pay is but \$5 a day.

Driver's License Examiner to Visit

A driver's license examiner will visit Rockport on the third Tuesday of each month, Sheriff A. R. Curry announced this week.

The examiner's next trip to Rockport is scheduled for April 15. He will be here only from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

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- Aristocrat Tex. Pure Lemon Juice, Two 8-oz. 25c**
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- Lge. Tex. No. 1 Seedless Grapefruit, doz. 55c**
- C & S, Folger or M. H. Coffee, tin 52 1/2c**
- Life Bouy Soap, Three 12c bars for 25c**
- Morton's Salt, Three 10c boxes 25c**
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Along The Waterfront
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bullets and barges."

LATER COMMANDS included the Liberty ships Uriah M. Rose and John Howard Payne and the C-1 ship, Cape San Diego. Thomas took his vessels into New Guinea waters during the South Pacific war and landed cargo at Okinawa shortly after the troops had gone ashore.

"The Japs were still giving us plenty of trouble with their planes," he recalls grimly.

ANOTHER ADDITION TO Rockport's fast-growing commercial fishing fleet was launched this week, too, a 36-foot shrimp trawler. The owner is Jesus Dominguez who already owns and operates one other craft. The boat, Little Tony, was built by Willie Frondoleg.

FISHING IS ON THE COMEBACK, and you can take the word of E. W. (Shorty) Townsend for that. After a two-week period in which fish were something you bought at the market on your way home from the waterfront, Townsend and a party went out Tuesday and came in with 88 trout, all weighing a pound or more each. The lucky fishermen were H. H. Roberts, George Rawson, B. J. Carter and P. A. Peebles, all of Palm Courts, who hastily made up a party once Townsend told them

he had located a school of fish. "The fish, Townsend says, have begun working their way into the bays and "in a couple of weeks, there'll be plenty of fishing."

HENRY BALLOU, WHO HAS had his 25-foot Chriscraft, Earline B, out of the sports fishing picture for the past month and a half, has the craft readied up again for the spring run. Recently Ballou the Earline B. have been in the service of the Hendry Dredging Co.

"But the fish are commencing to come into the bays and some catches are being picked up in different places," Ballou said this week.

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