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Deadline Near For County Filing

Filing for Aransas County office will end at 6 p.m. Monday, February 4.

As of Thursday morning, 11 candidates had filed for county office, including one contender on the Republican ticket.

The Republican candidate is W.B. "Pete" Sanders, seeking election to the Pct. 3 county commissioner's post.

The seat is currectly held by Raymond Owens who is running for re-election unopposed on the Democratic ticket.

Also up for election on the county commission is the commissioner for Pct. 1-1A. A three-way race has shaped up for that post, with John M. Lee, Ray Hinton and Dan Adams all seeking election in the upcoming Democratic primaries.

Another race developed earlier for the office of Aransas County sheriff, with

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Fulton Approves Rate Hike

Central Power and Light Company's suggested rate increase was approved by the Fulton City Council during a special meeting on Tuesday, January 29, at 7 p.m. in the Fulton City hall.

Doyle Bryant, Manager of C.P. & L. in Rockport answered questions presented by the council and concerned citizens attending the meeting.

"We'd be going around to different towns every month asking for an increase if we tried to keep up with the rate of inflation," said Mr. Bryant. "As it is, we haven't had a rate increase in three years, and we have to have money to operate, just like any other business."

Mayor Pro-tem Jim Metzger asked what the increase would be, but Mr. Bryant said he could only guess that it would be approximately 15 or 20 percent.

"The rates vary from class to class," said Mr. Bryant. "Rates are different for residential than they are for commercial."

When asked why rates differ in different areas, Mr. Bryant replied that the rates are set by population. Fulton's rates are approximately one dollar higher than Rockport's, because rural areas with a population of 750 or less are classified under one rate; town's receive another rate; and after that, rates are all the

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Valentines Available

You can give a special Valentine's Day greeting to that "special someone" through the pages of the Rockport Pilot.

Just call 729-9900 or come by the Pilot office, 1002 Wharf Street, before noon Monday, February 11.

For just $3.50, your personalized greeting to your Valentine will be included in a special section of The Pilot.



READY FOR THE BIG DAY

Vi Street, Joann Haskell and Patty Fishwick check out the decorations for the Valentine Benefit Dance coming up Saturday, February 9. Sponsored by the Women's Committee of Aransas County Medical Services Inc., the dance is to raise money to help fund the county ambulance service. At last report, the dance was sold out and no tickets will be available at the door.

[Pilot Photo by Eddie Bradley]



UH — HELLO

The big guy on the right might be friendly . . . then again, he might not . . . That's the dilemma faced by the puppy on the left, who still isn't quite sure what you're supposed to do in a situation like this. On the other hand, the "big guy" seems to be wondering, "What is this furry thing?" In the canine world — as in the human — meetings like this are always a little perilous until one learns the social amenities. Judging from his size, Puppy doesn't have to worry: he's going to be the "big guy" before too long. . .

[Pilot Photo by Kevin Carter]

Filing Starts For City Offices

Candidates for city offices in Rockport and Fulton may begin filing Monday, February 4, according to city officials.

Deadline for filing is March 5, one month before the April 5 elections in both cities.

Voters in Rockport will select a mayor and aldermen in each of the city's two wards. Fulton residents will vote on candidates to fill all six places on the city council.

A candidate for city office must be a citizen of the United States, a qualified voter and be 18 years of age or older on the beginning of the term to be filled at the election.

In addition, the candidate must have been a resident of Texas for at least 12 months and a resident of the city in which he or she is seeking office for at least 12 months prior to the election.

A candidate for office must not have been convicted of a felony for which he or she has not been pardoned or had civil rights restored "by other official action" and must not be disqualified for

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Pilot Sightings

Mayor **WALTER S. FALK JR.** elected Vice-Chairman to the Coastal Bend Council of Governments . . . . . **BROWNIE BROWN** using his auctioneering talents . . . . . **GERRY KLEYPAS** eating chili . . . . . **PENNY BALDWIN** being elected Woman of the Year by the Business and Professional Women's Association. . . . . Uncle **JOHN LESLIE** nit picking . . . . . .

Door Prizes To Be Given At Valentine Dance

Door prizes ranging from a jug of liquor to an oil painting will be given away during the Valentine Benefit Dance coming up Saturday, February 9, at the Paws & Taws Building.

Sponsored by the Women's Committee of Aransas County Medical Services Inc., the dance is to raise money for the county ambulance service and is an annual event in the county.

Donors of the door prizes to be given away during the evening include Rip Harrison who has donated a watercolor and Estelle Stair's Gallery which is giving an oil painting.

Other prizes include a hand-painted clock from Bettey Walter's Gallery and a gift certificate from Johnson's Drugs. The Moonshell Gallery is giving a "surprise" for the drawing.

Two of the prizes are from the ACMSI Women's Committee's workshop in Encina Plaza. Those are a hand-painted skirt and a hand-painted purse. A Blossom Shop is donating a plant and Canterbury Construction Company is giving a $25 gift certificate to Pearson's Garden Center.

Also to be given away are six dinners at Ron's Fried Chicken and two fish dinners from Duck Inn. The jug of liquor is from Rockport Discount Liquor Store, and Island Interiors is giving an Imari Porcelain plate with brass stand.

Also highlighting the benefit dance will be drawing of a winner for the doll house constructed for

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Illegal Subdivision Causing Road Problems

Harriet Brown of Little San Antonio Subdivision has a muddy utility easement for a road in front of her home off of Copano Cove Road, and it would be illegal for the county to try to repair the road for her.

Mrs. Brown's problem was discussed during the regular meeting of the Commissioners Court, held Wednesday, January 30 at 9 a.m. in the Court House.

"There are about six houses on my road, and the subdivision has been there for about 25 years. I've been tryhing to get the commissioner in my precinct to do something about it, but he tells me there's not any gravel to fix the road with, when I know there is. I've seen gravel over there that's been there so long it's got tree stumps growing out of it."

Raymond Owens, Commissioner of Precinct Number three, which is Mrs. Brown's precinct, said he has

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By-Pass To Benefit County

By M.W. Cochran
Professional Engineer

There will be benefits for Fulton-Rockport drivers and merchants when the State Highway 35 By-Pass is built.

1. The local driver as well as the thru driver will benefit as people and goods move on Highway 35. The local drivers will find a more orderly and convenient access to the shopping areas.

The thru-driver will be expedited within the legal speed limits because the bottlenecks and congestion, now due to sharing the intersections with cross traffic, will be eliminated by this limited-access freeway.

2. The drivers along the by-pass highway will have limited access by the side surface roads which will be provided. Surface conflicts at entry points will be minimal due to overpass and/or underpass facilities.

3. Greater safety will be provided by the By-Pass wide divided roadways which eliminate the dangerous head-on collision.

4. The proposed by-pass route transverses an area where there is need for more efficient drainage from

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Notable Notes

Band Boosters

The Rockport-Fulton Band Boosters will meet Monday, February 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Band Hall. Anyone interested in the band boosters is welcome to attend.

Women's Softball League

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in forming a girl's softball league in the Rockport area, on Monday, February 4. The meeting will be held in the home of Bobby and Kathy Gummer, 1013 East Corpus Christi Street (Corner of Corpus Christi and Water Streets) at 7:30 p.m. The league needs to get underway by April 1. If you are unable to attend the February 4 meeting, please call Kathy Gummer at 729-6019 or Beverly Wilken at 729-5679.

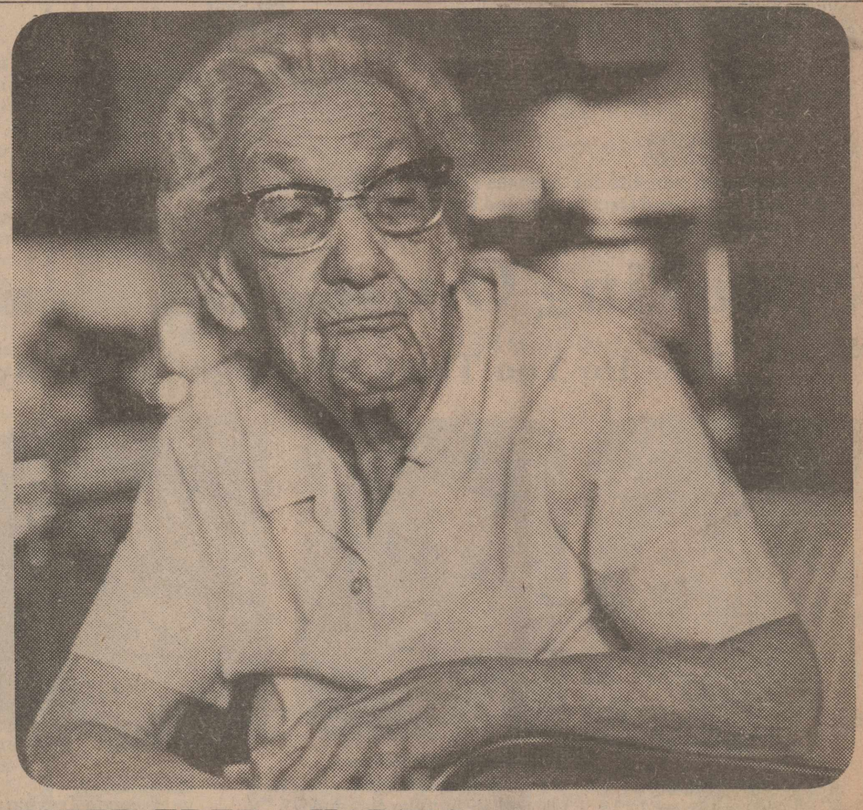
Soccer League

Soccer is quickly becoming a popular sport in the Rockport-Fulton area, and anyone interested in forming a soccer league should contact Tommie at 729-5010 or George at 729-7190 after 6 p.m. The league would be for boys and girls, ages six and up. Adults willing to coach and referee are needed!

1970 Class Reunion

There will be a class reunion meeting for 1970 RFHS graduates at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Scanlon at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5. The Scanlons live at 715 E. King Street in Rockport. To get there, go south on Church Street, four blocks past the Rockport Post Office; turn right on King, it is the first house on the left. All 1970 Seniors are encouraged to attend. For information, call 729-2559.





MARY COOK, LEFT, AND SISTER FREDA HARRIS

Together they've been running the Fulton Family Cottages on Fulton Beach Road for more than 40 years—since Mrs. Harris and her husband, C.L., came to this area in 1934. Story and more pictures on page 3 of today's Pilot Weekender.

[Pilot Photo by Perry Carter]

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County Needs By-Pass

The highway by-pass has been in the discussion stages for several years and has taken on more interest and much increased citizen's action in the past year and a half. A letter campaign, sponsored by commissioners and city officials to the State Highway Department last year has brought this very large project from "back in the pack" to a front running place. A project with top priority.

As with most large highway construction, progress is slow and at times slow is not descriptive of the pace. The action is a back and forth proposition from Local citizens to the State Highway planners, to local governments and back to Austin again.

It's our turn now.

The right of way must be purchased by the Aransas County Commissioners Court and the residents of the county must give the county authority to sell bonds. The amount of $400,000 is the estimated cost of needed land.

Residents may choose in favor of the bonds in a special election to be held on February 16. If the bond issue passes, this county will receive more than $25 million dollars of state and federal funds on a 1.6% investment by the county.

There are several advantages to the Highway 35 by-pass project for this area and its residents.

First, much unneeded and unwanted through traffic, mostly 18-wheelers, will be routed around the more heavily populated areas of the county. The accompanying dangers from traffic speed, noise and possible explosion would be greatly minimized.

Secondly, the decrease in through traffic should make the business district safer between Rockport and Fulton for residents and visitors alike.

The decrease in congestion should make the motel and restaurant locations along the ski basin more desirable for our tourist business.

Thirdly, the by-pass will open up many miles of prime commercial and residential areas along the rights-of-way.

The increase in business and residential construction would help defray the cost of land purchased by the county by the increase of county tax values.

And there are many other benefits for various areas in the county plus the all-weather highway would help with the evacuation of the area in time of hurricane or other disaster. On the other hand the small amount of tax increase needed for right-of-way will not will not overly strain anyone.

Aransas County has no bonded indebtedness. County Judge Wendell and the commissioners have managed extremely well over the years and you can't find many areas in this country in this excellent financial position.

The Rockport-Fulton tourist business will not be hurt by the decrease of traffic expected when the by-pass is completed. The unique combination of friendly people, superb year 'round weather, good fishing and attractive accommodations will continue to fill motels and restaurants to overflowing.

"The ball is in our court!" Vote for the bond issue on February 16. It is up to each of you to vote FOR the bond issue. The local investment is very small and the prize is worth every penny.

The highway department is willing to proceed. If the bond issue fails, it would be safe to state, the likelihood of getting the necessary attention at some later point would not be possible. Plus the increased price for land and material would be prohibitive.

Mark that day on your calendar and when you go, take a friend or two. We may not have another chance.

The Legal Way

By E.J. DEMSON, J.D.
Copley News Service

All states have a statutory law allowing a decedent's small estate to be administered by a summary process by filing a sworn statement with the county probate court.

Q. After a childless marriage for 24 years, my husband and I were divorced. Neither remarried. My husband died recently at age 62. At age 63 am I entitled to a share of his Social Security?

A. Social Security Regulation (Regulation 1974 Sec.403) says: A surviving divorced wife is entitled to widow's insurance benefits: (a) if she is age 60 or over, (b) her husband was fully insured at his death, (c) she has not remarried, and (d) she was married to him for 20 years.

Advise with your local Social Security Office. The facts contained in your question indicate you are entitled.

Write, without a charge, E.J. Demson, Copley News Service, in care of this newspaper for what the law says about your legal problem. Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

BY-PASS

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occasional heavy rain storms. Likewise, the elevation of the by-pass roadways will be above the high hurricane tides. It will be an all weather route.

5. The large truck trailers are a necessary transportation vehicle to carry materials on roadways from points of pick-up to where they are delivered. The present Highway 35 roadway is not adequate to carry safely the volume and types of truck trailer moving now on this coastline route. These thru drivers will use the by-pass around Fulton, Rockport and Aransas Pass.

By-pass highways around cities are not new. In the early 1920's, several states were building by-pass roadways around cities, and the opposition from the cities being by-passed was heavy.

But it took only a few years after completion for these cities to realize the benefits of increased population and a more orderly and safe traffic on their main streets.

In the middle 1930's, highway engineers were planning and constructing limited access highways--such as the Pennsylvania Turnpike from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, a toll road expediting great volumes of highway traffic safely.

The cities by-passed have grown and prospered.

What about the cost for these valuable benefits which the proposed by-pass of State Highway 35 will bring to the Fulton and Rockport areas. We pay only 10 per cent for right-of-way. The state pays the remaining 90 percent plus the total cost of road construction.

The completion by the State of this $25,000,000 by-pass around Fulton, Rockport and Aransas Pass not only will promote growtrh in the area, but the advantage of better drainage for the residents along this by-pass route is of considerable importance.

Also, the state will continue to pay the expense of maintaining the present business route travel lanes.

The $400,000 county bond issue is a 10-year payout and will be paid for by the ad valorem taxpayers in Aransas County. It is estimated that this bond issue will be amortized in seven to eight years.

Based on 100 per cent evaluation, the bond issue will add the following amount to taxes paid by property owners in the county:

Valuation	Additional Annual Tax
$10,000	$5.00
20,000	10.00
30,000	20.00
50,000	30.00
75,000	37.50
100,000	50.00

There are real benefits for Aransas County residents and drivers if the bond issue is adopted and the Highway 35 By-pass constructed.

State Of The Region

By Juliet K. Wenger
Coastal Bend Council of Governments

An alternative to group health insurance may become available in the Coastal Bend within the next two to three years.

A feasibility study is underway to determine whether a Health Maintenance Organization, usually referred to as an HMO, is wanted and needed here. If the study shows it to be desirable, a wide range of decisions have to be made about how it would be structured.

Then employers who want to do so can offer their employees either insurance or membership in the HMO.

The HMO is a flexibly entity. It is basicly a pre-paid medical plan. Employees pay a set fee per month. Then all their medical services are provided without deductable or extra charge.

There are now more than 200 HMOs in the United States, with more than eight million members. They operate as non-profit corporations, some owned by doctors, by insurance companies, a group of civic leaders, or members of the HMO themselves.

They are self-supporting, charging an adequate monthly fee to pay expenses, with fees refigured annually.

The doctors associated with an HMO can function within one clinic or can contract with the HMO and operate out of their own offices, receiving a fee for services.

The HMO is responsible for providing the services of specialists who are not practicing as a part of the organization. It is also responsible for paying bills when a member is ill or injured out of the city, state or country and for providing 24 hour medical services.

Ruth Gill, a Corpus Christi civic leader, is president of the board of Gulf Coast Health Plan Inc., which is making the feasibility study. Ronald R. Knight is projects manager.

They and those working with them are contacting selected groups of people and the public at large to get reactions. So far, they say nurses are the group which has shown the greatest interest. HMOs use a large number of nurse practitioners.

The basic purpose of the HMO is to contain and where possible reduce medical costs, Knight, who has worked in an operating HMO in Louisiana, says that the containment is possible because of the emphasis on preventive medicine. Since the total cost is already paid for the month of whatever medical services may be needed, the patient is willing to go the the doctor at any sign of illness.

Knight says it is much less expensive to treat minor illnesses in early stages. The employees as groups or individuals can be provided with educational sessions and various means of learning to keep themselves well.

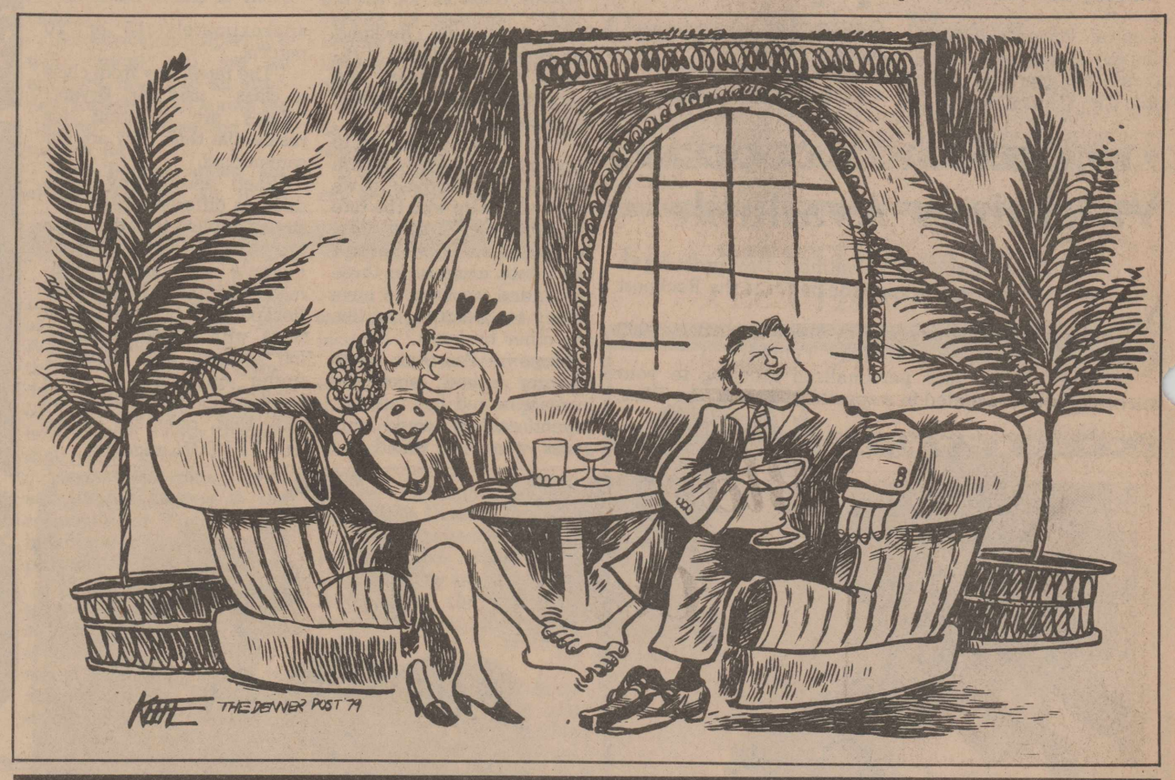
A number of comparative studies have been made of patients using health insurance plans and HMOs where both are available. One of these was a seven year study of 250 match pair of Mountain Bell employees in Denver.

The results were spectacular. Absenteeism was 83 percent lower among those in the HMO plan. Nationwide, studies have shown those in HMO plans require 50 percent less hospitalization.

Knight finds this makes the plan attractive to employers for whom absenteeism is a costly problem.

When an employer offers the plan as an alternative to employees, all of them are eligible for it, regardless of age or condition or past history of health and illness. Fees vary from place to place according to many factors, including the local public health picture and medical costs in the locality.

It is unlikely that an HMO would fill the needs of everyone. A decision should be made within a few months of whether it should be an option for those who want it.



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Austin At Wharf

'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS— BUT no, a week before, and Karma was slam bangin' home. But how shall I describe it? I am both behind and ahead of the story.

But fancy a dull gray sea, no wind. I wakened to the sound of the diesel. The rest of the crew were huddled on deck. I perceived a thing called "channel fever," a term I'd almost forgotten. It's desire, a yen for the shore. We were nine days, nearly 800 miles out of historic Dry Tortugas which lies some 70 miles west of Key West.

We? There are four of us, Charlie Brown, already mentioned. Tony Thorne, retired Air Force by way of the Naval Academy where he was an ardent sailor, a sport he has resumed only in the past few years. All of us are members of the Rockport Sailing Club.

At Key West our last crew member came aboard, Jim Richie, Army chopper pilot from Ft. Knox and one of Charlie's former students. Jim is an experienced racing skipper.

ON DECK I TOOK THE WHEEL FOR A THREE hour watch and shortly a gentle breeze stirred out of the northwest and freshened; the sails filled and the engine was stopped. Peace, quiet, and for me at least, relief. Somehow I felt that arrival at Port Aransas other than under sail would have been a rather ignominious end to the voyage.

By mid-afternoon we were furling sail near the entrance to Lydia Ann Channel. We powered into PA for fuel. We needed fuel because we'd have the wind on our nose all the way to Rockport.

Skipper-owner Park Gerdine and his wife, Evelyn, were on the dock in front of their home, and Eleanor Brown and Kitty. Darkness was complete by the time the last docking line was secure. There was hot rum punch waiting for us.

It was a jolly party, but lasted no more than an hour. Karma's crew—I'll be honest—hadn't bathed in more than a week. Well, except Jim, younger than the rest of us and so with more fortitude, had at least twice hauled buckets of salt water aboard and gone onto the foredeck for his bath. Never mind the dull overcast skies, the chill air.

THE PILOT CHART, THERE IS ONE FOR EVERY ocean for each month of the year. The chart indicates winds and currents from records compiled over the past 100 years. Insofar as December 1979, was concerned, the chart was all wet, or else on a spree.

For the most part we should have encountered mostly north and northeast winds, Force four to six or 11 to 27 knots. Perfect for a west bound passage.

Instead Karma found the wind from every quarter, and there were calms as well and an abundance of wind from the southeast to make sailing a bit uncomfortable. Worst of the weather was in those hours when the wind came out of the northwest and with it rain and rising seas. For a while watches were reduced to one hour tricks at the wheel and at the end the helmsman went below, cold, wet.

THIRTY-FOUR FOOT KARMA WITH A 10-FOOT beam is well nigh luxurious for two people, especially in the semi-tropics or tropics. Two people of course whose expectations are not for posh hotel suites.

But for four, especially in heavy weather, the claim is not one I should make. For example, actual deck space below is about 10 feet long and three wide and that width interupted over a large portion of the cabin by the gimbled table which folds down to leave squeeze room on either side.

The remainder of the deck space is in one's berth, and there a damp hanging oilskin usually manages to swing between the sailor's face and the book he is reading. More, one stays in one's bunk only by the grace of a veticle board at the edge. This because of rolling, pitching or both.

I've never been more than a very poor dancer at best but any expert in the field watching me make a cup of coffee in a seaway might opine that the ballet, not the sea is my natural calling. Any doubt would be completely dispelled were he to see me bake bread or prepare a meal. I shall not discuss the head.

PRIOR TO DEPATURE FROM KEY WEST I FOUND it easy, leisurely pleasant to make notes, attempt an essay. Afterwards the yacht was too crowded or not condusive to writing.

Besides, my typewriter went on some sort of spree. The carriage never returned to the same margine space, lines waved. And so I confined myself to writing a few terse lines in my daily log.

"December 17, Monday. Set new watches, two men to watch, two hours wheel, two hours standby. Wind NW 20 gusting to 25. Shifting to NE. Seas 8 to 12 feet. Higher seas confused. All hands drenched at wheel and no way to dry clothes. Cold. Speed, three knots."

THAT I THINK MUST HAVE BEEN THE NIGHT I picked up Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. Jim's little transister radio was on the wet cockpit cushion. "Might as well turn it off," Charlie said as he helped me adjust the safety harness, a sturdy sort of suspender arrangement with a line extending from it to the steering pedestal.

Idly I dialed and suddenly the music came in loud and clear. It took me a few moments to recognize the Ninth. It ended a few minutes before my watch ended. Yet I shall never forget the choral on that black night. A few stars occasionally appeared between the scudding clouds. A light rain fell and sometime a dollop of sea from a freakish wave poured over the weather rail. "All men throughout the world are brothers." In German of course but I don't trust quoting in that language, the words, the spelling. What matter?

I remembered the night again, ashore, a few days later. The evening news gave the latest report on the Iranian hostages, and a report on events just beginning in Afghanistan. Then the announcement of the death of composer Richard Rogers. A tribute, some of his music, "The Sound of Music", "Oklahoma," . . . . My mind went back to that night at sea. "All men throughout the world . . . . ."

Very idly, perhaps whimsically, I toyed with an idle thought. Perhaps, and I wondered, the brethern of this world might perhaps do well to cast aside the politicians and the "great" world leaders and at least on a trial basis turn the show over to the musicians and composers. Who knows? --ahab

Speaking Out

How Do You Think The Highway 35 By-pass Will Affect The Rockport Area?



Ruby Whan
Racine Street
It'll hurt Rockport, naturally, but it sounds good for the travelers. With a bypass, it gets you where you want to go faster.



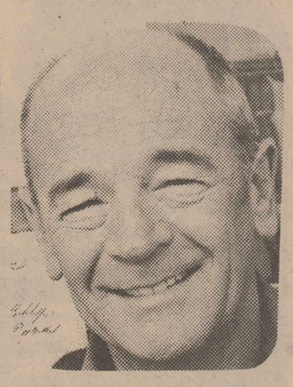
Howard McMonomy
Copano Heights
It will definitely cut down on business. People will be bypassing most of Rockport. Everybody travels down 1069 right now, and I think it will hurt the tourist business.



Yolanda Trevino (left) of Wood Street
Maria Soliz (right) of South Verne
We hope it doesn't affect us, but it probably will. In the summertime, you drive through a town slowly, and if you see a place you like, you stop. But if there's a bypass they won't see a lot of Rockport's places.



Mrs. Fred Winkelman
KOA Campgrounds
I think it would be really great to get the bypass. It's just so congested right now.



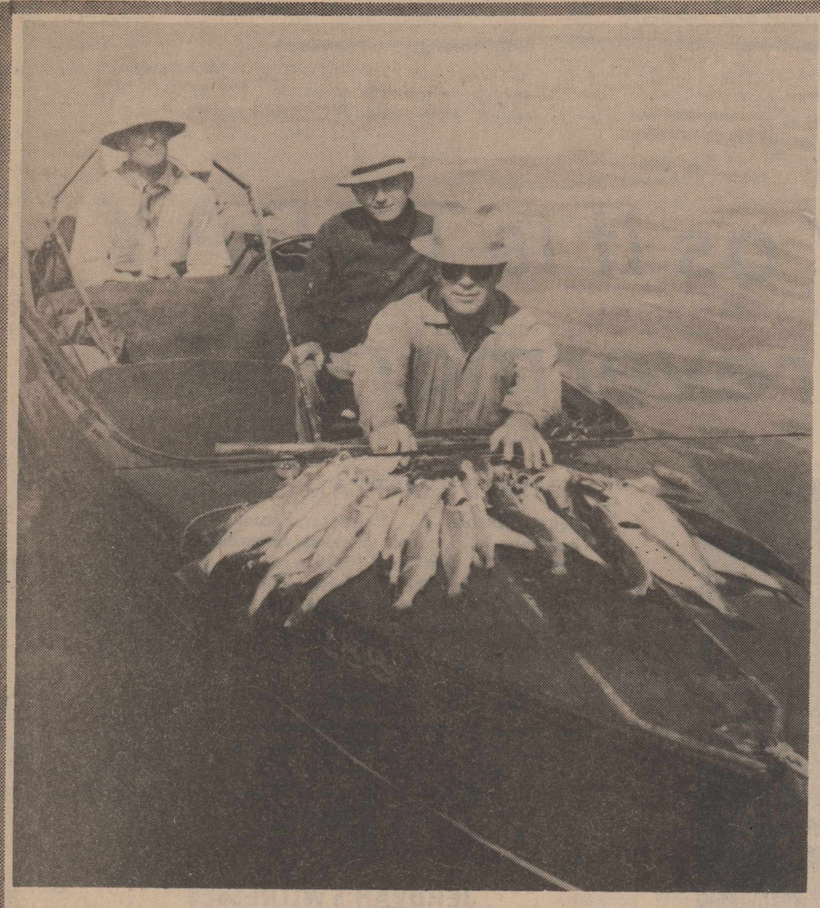
Carl Moore
Cape McCann
I think it would help tremendously. It would keep the big trucks out of here, and keep the citizens happy.



Dennis Jenkins
Cornwall Street
I really don't think it'll have any effect on business, but it will help the traffic. I'd like to see the bypass put into effect, myself.

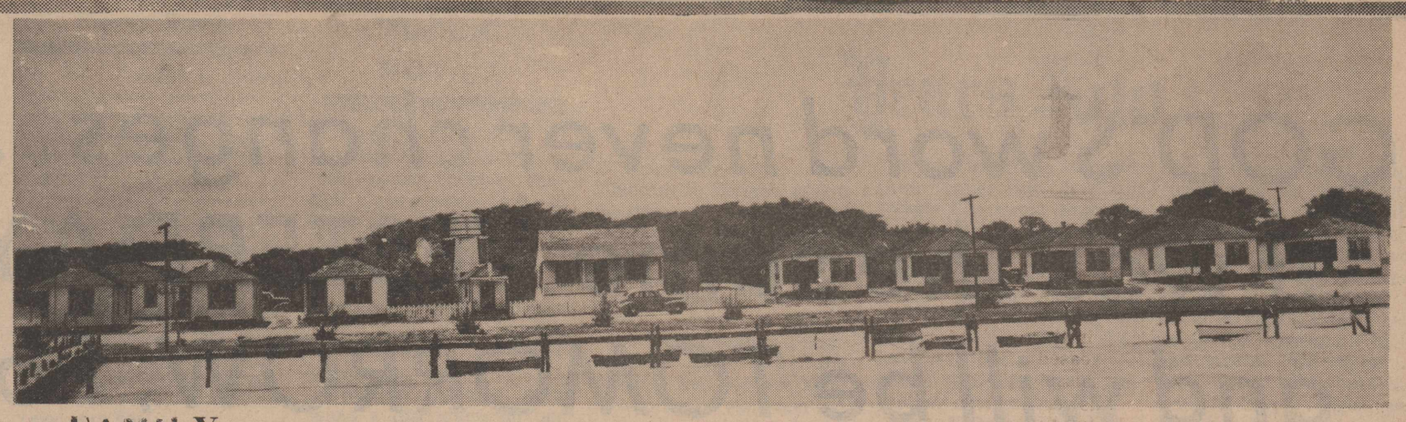


Robert Lane
Holiday Beach
It would probably be an improvement, but I don't think the traffic is really that bad as it is. The town's just not big enough to have a bypass.



A MESS OF FISH

C.L. Harris is shown with unidentified guests after an obviously successful fishing trip.



FAMILY COTTAGES

Photo shows the cottages the way they looked in the late 1930s, early 1940s. The house behind the car is the original office. It was later sold and moved out to Copano Ridge. [Photo Courtesy of Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Cook]

Dream For Sisters Turns Into 40-Year Business

By Pat Blair

"We had to start from scratch and I didn't know scratch about it," says Mary Cook. "I had to learn . . . ."

What she and her sister, Freda Harris, learned was how to operate their Fulton Family Cottages out on Fulton Beach Road.

They succeeded — their cottages have been part of the scene in Aransas County since 1934 when the Harrises first moved down from San Antonio.

C.L. Harris worked for an oil company in those days, Mrs. Harris recalls. "He traveled and used to come down here from San Antonio and liked it," she said during a recent interview at the Family Cottages office.

"One day," she recalled, "he said to me, 'I think I'll go to Rockport and get some cottages.' I said, 'You won't give up a good job,' and he said no . . .

"I asked him who he'd get to run them. He said, 'You.' I told him, 'Not on your life' — and here I am!" She laughs at the memory.

But it was her husband's forced retirement from his job that brought the Harrises down here, and Mrs. Cook joined them three years later, in 1937.

The cottages started with seven units. "We weren't equipped for winter tourists," Mrs. Cook said.

But for the beginning, they had attractions for summer people.

Back in those days, the cottages were much closer to the water — the beach hadn't been built up by the Navigation District — and the business owned its own pier.

There were also six skiffs and Mrs. Cook remembers, "We had a picnic with them! When it rained, they'd fill with water and we'd have to go bail them out. Then a norther came, we had to go out and change the way they were tied to the pier.

"I don't want those skiffs again!" she added.

Back in those days, the Fulton Family Cottages were pretty isolated — and not too many people had heard of Rockport.

But "Mr. Harris was an organizer," Mrs. Harris says. "He wrote to his friends and they came from Dallas — we had them coming down after a while from San Marcos." Advertising included ads in the Chicago papers.

And it got results. Fulton Family Cottages has grown to 13 units plus a couple of trailer spaces and this year, they're "full up" with Winter Texans.

The sisters have people who come back "year after year" and form friendships that last when they leave Rockport and Texas behind for another year. Their guests include families from Canada — even as far away as Germany!

"I enjoy the winter people," says Mrs. Harris. "I haven't got enough cottages . . ."

What's it like, running a 13-unit tourist business by themselves? "Compared to what we had to do (in the early days of the business), it's pie," says Mrs. Cook.

"We had kerosene hot plates to cook with back then," Mrs. Harris remembers, "and little tin ovens." They used kerosene, she recalls, because "coal oil would just smut up the pots."

They used wood heaters and sawed their own wood.

At one time they were buying wood, Mrs. Harris said, "but it got up to $6 a cord an Mr. Harris said that was pretty high." For a time, Harris used a crosscut saw to cut wood and Mrs. Harris helped him.

"Then," she said, "he got an electric saw and I was scared of that thing!"

At one time, Mrs. Cook recalls, "we tried to put in a butane tank. We went down three feet and hit water. We had to put the tank in the water because we couldn't do anything else."

Back in those days, Mrs. Harris recalls, there was nothing behind the cottages. "We could have bought all this land here for $150."

Also back in those days, the sisters remember, there were "lots of ducks, fish galore . . . oysters, crabs — you could go out and pick a bushel basket," Mrs. Cook recalled, adding, "That's all gone."

But they still have their cottages and their "winter people."

"We have such wonderful customers," Mrs. Harris says, adding, "We try to do right by them.

"We have a friend in Fort Worth," she mused quietly. "He's dying to come down here to live. He told us one day, 'Just imagine, to spend a lifetime looking at the water' . . ."

That's how the two sisters have spent most of their lifetimes.

And neither of them is ready to retire.



SNOW IN FULTON

C.L. Harris and unidentified woman in front of the Fulton Family Cottages following a rarity in this area—a snowstorm. The date is 1941.



BIG FISH

C.L. Harris is shown with one of his younger guests, a "little girl we knew from San Antonio," Mrs. Harris says. "She's grown now and has children."



Blair's Corner

By Pat Blair

Pages from "The Rockport Book":

Along about the turn of the century or maybe a little before then, a gentleman by the name of "Judge Russell" commented on some of the old families of his day in this area.

His quotes were reprinted in a book on Rockport. Regretfully, I don't have the name of the book or its author, but the quotes help bring to life some of the people of a forgotten time.

Judge Russell speaks:

"Captain Theodore Johnson was known as 'Charley' Johnson, and owned and run the schooner Frances many years in the trade between Rockport and St. Mary's. Personally he was one of my particular friends.

"It is said of Captain Charley Johnson that when he first came into that section about Rockport, some of the tough crowd that infested that place in its early years as numerous as in one of the old mining wester towns, undertook to scrap with him. . .

"He took them all completely on suspense by licking the whole bunch, fighting with both hands and feet, tooth and toe-nail. At any rate he maintained the highest respect of all classes and was never associated with the loafer element.

"Berry Merchant lived in Rockport and I think died there. He was a Methodist preacher and a mighty good man. He was County Judge of Aransas County in 1878.

"Stephen Peters, who had lived at St. Mary's, helped J.M. Doughty build the first stock-pens at Rockport.

"Captain E.L. Snow, formerly of St. Mary's, operated a scow between Rockport and St. Mary's. He was in later years an oyster dealer. When I knew him (at Rockport) he had a stand on the Bayshore opposite the Finish and sold raw oysters on the half shell."

There's more in the "Rockport Book" on The Finish Saloon which was so named, it's said, because it "finished up" a cattle drive.

According to one story, the local Methodist church needed $500. So "Uncle" Myers, who was minister of the church, went down to the saloon, announced he needed the money and why and waited while the saloon's patrons "dug down" and came up with the funds.

All $500 of it.

Somehow, that seems an appropriate note to end on.

Ingram Man Seeks Area Ghost Stories

Aransas County, rich as it is in history, is bound to have its share of ghost stories says Texas author Ed Syers — and he wants them.

Syers is working on a collection of supernatural legends to be published in approximately one year, and he wants to hear from people who have ghost tales to tell.

"I'm after the ghost story known to enough people long enough to establish some credibility," Syers says. But he intends to investigate any report that he believes merits inclusion in his proposed series.

Among the classic phantoms already destined to be included in his book are the sentinel ghost at Tehuacana near Waco, the headless squaw near Stephenville, the ghost hounds of Orozimbo on the coast and the Marfa lights of West Texas.

People who know any local ghost legends are asked to write Syers, either directly at Ingram, Texas 78025, or in care of the Rockport Pilot.

Syers is author of several books on Texas, including the Heritage collection, "Off the Beaten Trail", and a three-volume historical series. His works also include two novels and a new guidebook titled "Backroads of Texas."

The author believes a region's story is incomplete without its tales of the supernatural — which is the reason for his current project.

"We are a land of many cultures," he said, adding, "each has its ghosts."

1980s Inflation Built In

Even if inflation tapers off, which is not certain, inflation in 1980 is off to a running start.

Laws already on the books provided for automatic increases, effective January 1, in Social Security taxes and the federal minimum wage, which will drive up employers' costs and help push up prices.

Under a law passed in late 1977, Social Security taxes have been rising sharply. Over a 10-year period Congress provided for automatic increases totalling around $227 billion.

The federal minimum wage similarly has been going up under a law passed in 1977 when the wage floor was $2.30 an hour. The January 1 increase made the new minimum $3.10 an hour—a 35 percent increase since January 1, 1978.

OLDER OWNERS

At least 84 percent of the married couples age 65 or older own their own homes. —CNS

Sale Prices Revised

Skyrocketing silver prices have forced the General Services Administration to revise the price of the nearly one million 90 percent silver Carson City dollars scheduled to go on public sale early next month.

Roy Markon, Commissioner of the General Services Administration's Federal Property Resources Service, said today the agency must revise previously announced prices which ranged from $20 to $42 per coin depending upon mint year and condition.

"We're in the most volatile precious metals market of recent record with silver prices taking unprecedented leaps almost daily. When we announced our original prices on November 13, 1979, silver was selling for $16.16 a troy ounce. In less than two months that price has more than doubled," Markon said.

"In view of this, we cannot proceed on the basis of previously announced prices."

Each silver dollar contains .7725 troy ounces of silver. When the bullion price of silver is $35 per troy ounce, the value of the silver in each coin is about $27.

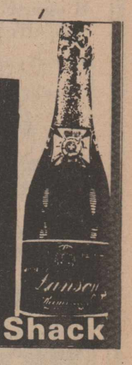
Markon said a sale of the coins at a price less than its bullion value at the time of the sale would be irresponsible.

The silver dollar sale is scheduled to begin February 8 and end April 8, 1980. The sale will feature three categories of the historic "Cartwheels": 1883-CC (195,745), 1884-CC (428,152), and "Mixed Years CC"—1878-1885 and 1889-1893—(299,390).

Public interest in the sale has been enthusiastic, with more than 350,000 people requesting information and order forms. "We're not going to disappoint all those people," Markon said.

"The agency will proceed with the sale on schedule but at an appropriate price. Because of the rapid changes in the silver market we will announce the price for each category of coins immediately prior to the sale."

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REORGANIZED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Ken Boyce, Minister. Bible Study, 10:00 a.m.; Worship 11:00 a.m. Meeting next door to Shrimp Net Restaurant across from Palm Harbor.

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Main Street at Live Oak. Rev. W. Boyd Harris, Pastor. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Double worship services will begin on Sunday, January 13. Early service will be at 9:30 a.m. Regular service will be at 10:50 a.m. Informal coffee at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Youth Meeting 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Methodist Men's Breakfast 7:00 a m. on the first Monday of each month. United Methodist Women 9:30 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Choir rehearsal 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday.

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Sculpture Society Officers

The Pilot SOCIETY

Mike Rollins of Rockport was elected President of the Southwest Sculpture Society in Corpus Christi. Jane Harris, of Rockport was elected Secretary for the organization.

The Southwest Sculpture Society includes all of the Coastal Bend area, and invites anyone interested in participating in workshops and activities in the art of Sculpturing to attend.

Professional and amateur sculptors are welcome.

Please contact Jane Harris at 729-7709 for more information.

Winners Named In Weekly Card Party

Kay Ragot, May Suttkus and Mary Hornig were first place winners in the Aransas County Women's Club weekly card party Monday, January 28.

Alice Semran and Lucille Welch took second place honors.

Mrs. Ragot and Fay Stensgaard were in charge of tea and coffee service at the affair which began at 1 p.m.

Hostesses were Veatrice Clampitt, Martha Lewin, Queenie Camehl and Hazel Hubbard.

Talent Scene

By Beverly Wilken

Rockport Fulton High School's U.I.L. One Act Play, "The Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare, has been cast.

The principal players are: Orsino, played by Wes Wilhour; Sebastian, played by Dominic Dominguez; Sir Toby Belch, played by Scott Cory; Andrew, played by Jay Merrett; Malvolio, played by Ronnie Campbell; Feste, played by Shelly Beattie; Olivia, played by Beth Randow; Viola, played by Linda Rinche; and Maria, played by Carolyn Farnsworth.

Dancers, Servants, Townspeople, and understudies will be: Nancy Adams, Georgie Garrett, Susan Wolfe, Yvette Hawthorne, Michell Willis, Whitney Milam, and Reagan Little and Connie Flores.

"The Twelfth Night" will also be done during the group's Spring Show, tentatively scheduled for March 20 and 21. Don't miss it!

David Rice "and Company" participated in Goliad's U.I.L. Speech Tournament held Saturday, January 26. A Record Pantomime group, composed of Bill Jennings, Geneva James, Terry Estes, and Suzann Smith, placed fifth in the finals with their pantomime, "King Tut".

Beth Randow, Carolyn Farnsworth, and Nancy Adams competed in Prose and Poetry categories. Mr. Rice said "they didn't place in the top six, but they all performed very well".

In Duet acting, Carolyn Farnsworth and Beth Randow did not place, but Mr. Rice was very pleased with their performance.

"Everyone did pretty well in general," he said.

This weekend, the group will be in Port Lavaca for another tournament.

The competition during these Speech Tournaments is extremely tough, but watch for these performers to be bringing home the trophies in future competitions!

Multi-talented drama coach, David Rice, is building a dimmer box for the auditorium's lighting system. The dimmers should add to and improve the lighting effects for future productions. The directing, coaching, and acting needs no improvements!

The Shepherd's Staff

By the Rev. Charles F. Fake
Pastor, First Baptist Church of Rockport

This letter to God was written by a little boy:

Dear God, What is it like when you die? Nobody will tell me. I just want to know. I don't want to do it. Your friend, Mike.

The letter reminds us of the story about the preacher who, in the middle of his sermon, asked all of those who wanted to go to heaven to raise their hands. Every person in the congregation except one man raised his hand. The preacher looked at the man and said: "What? You don't want to go to heaven when you die?" To this, the man replied, "Oh, I thought you were trying to make up a load right now!"

The Bible says, "It is appointed unto man once to die, and after this the judgement." This verse, found in Hebrews 9:27, does not say one can die twice or more, as some today seem to believe they have done. It does not say that after death we roam about the earth as ghosts. It does not say that after death we shall return to the earth in a different form or to live another life as a human being.

Jesus Christ, the Son of god, said, "Whoever believes in me shall never die!" (John 11:26), which is to say that physical death for the believer has been transformed into a beautiful gateway, through which we enter into an infinitely richer dimension of experience with God.

Some promise! Some Saviour! None of us really want to die, but those who have put all their faith and hope in Jesus Christ as the conqueror of death and the coming judge of the world have found that He gives abundant life that never ends, and they know that love for Him casts out all fear.

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Penny Baldwin Named B.P.W. Club Woman Of The Year

By Beverly Wilken

Penny Baldwin, two time past president and a 20 year member of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Rockport, has been named Woman of the Year by her fellow members.

The Woman of The Year is chosen by her contributions to the community, integrity, and loyalty to her profession, and Mrs. Baldwin, who has been a first grade teacher at Rockport Elementary school for 20 years, more than qualifies for the award.

A graduate of Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Mrs. Baldwin has served as Committee Chairman of the Rockport-Fulton Education Association, affiliated with T.S.T.A.-N.E.A. She is a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an honor society for teachers, and is the Democratic Women's Club Treasurer. She is an Honorary member of the P.T.A., having served in three different capacities for the organization: President of the Elementary, Junior High, and High School P.T.A.'s.

Penny and her husband, Philip D. Baldwin, (Mr. Baldwin is the Industrial Arts teacher at Rockport-Fulton High School) have four daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Michael (Becky) Merritt is a second grade teacher at Rockport Elementary. Two other daughters are attending college, Bonnie Baldwin and Betty Baldwin, both majoring in Education; and Mrs. Michael Dale (Barbara) Shirley lives in Rockport and is a housewife. And on December 23, 1979, the Baldwin's became grandparents. Annette Marie Merritt was almost a Christmas baby.

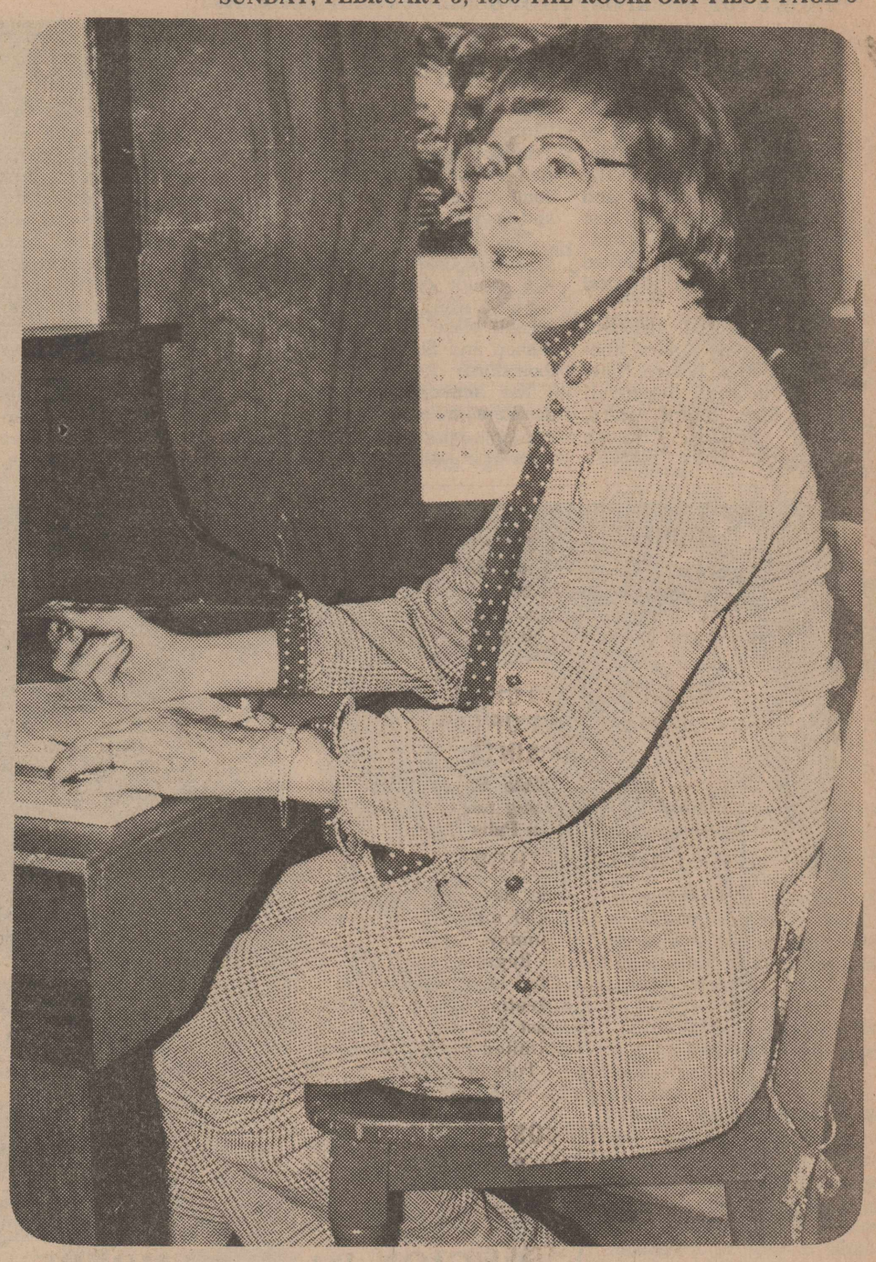
"I gave so much to the community because of my family, I'm so proud of them!" said Mrs. Baldwin. "You can never stop doing, because there's always something else that can be done."

When asked what she sees as a woman's place in the business world, Mrs. Baldwin replied, "Today a woman can engage in almost any occupation she chooses. Women make excellent leaders, and should be encouraged to go forward." She added, "There are so many ways that a woman can contribute to the community. She should work actively for its betterment. Support the schools, participate in organizations that work to improve the community, and be active politically. A woman should always work to improve herself."

Mrs. Baldwin also had some excellent advice to any young woman beginning a career.

"Get all the training she can in the courses she chooses." said Mrs. Baldwin, "And go forward with confidance and ask to receive the salary she deserves in a firm manner."

If this has been her philosophy through the years, Mrs. Baldwin is living proof that it works.



Mrs. Baldwin



Healthful Hints

Most Often-Asked Questions On Nutrition

By Jean Glowka

Q. I know that a lot of shampoos contain protein. Are they really good for the hair just because they have protein in them?

A. Beauty experts in the nutritional field say that shampoos containing protein are very good for the hair. They caution us, however, about a couple of things.

First of all, you MUST give protein shampoos time to work. If your hair is severly damaged, it may take as long as six months or more to see permanent improvement. For those who stick with it, however, (and try also a good protein conditioner) the "jewel-shining" effect will be well worth the wait.

When buying protein shampoos and conditioners, be a "label reader"! There are many shampoos on the market containing protein --- BUT not just ANY protein will be absored into the hair.

Look for the word "hydrolyzed" on the label. Hydrolyzation is a process which breaks down the protein molecules into a smaller size and weight so that the amino acids (the building blocks of proteins) WILL be absored into each individual hair shaft.

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Q. What are some herbs which are specifically good for bladder infections? I KNOW there are millions of herbs. I just want the names of a few to try.

A. Okay. Here's what I found. Herbs which have been found to be beneficial for bladder infections are rose hips, golden rod, burdock root, juniper berries, shavegrass tea, parsleymint, catnip, buchu leaves, clivers and uva ursi.

Until next week, Folks, stay happy and healthy! It's a beautiful world!

Please send questions to: Jean Glowka, Rt. 1, Box 437, Rockport, Texas 78382 or call 729-3424.

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"Ralph Nader's prescriptions for automobile safety suggests that he believes automobiles are meant to run into concrete walls and should be built to protect the occupants when they do. His ideal auto would incorporate Mercedes Benz 450 SEL with a bulldozer." — PUBLIC NUISANCES by R. Emmett Tyrell Jr.

"Pro football is like nuclear warfare. There are no winners, only survivors," Frank Gifford in PETER'S QUOTATIONS by Dr. Lawrence J. Peter.

"January 18, 1975: Many commentators see the Watergate verdicts as a vindication of the American system. I must dissent. Watergate to me shows how far our loose system can be distorted. What Nixon left was a blueprint for how it can be done." — TRB: VIEWS AND PERSPECTIVES ON THE PRESIDENCY by Richard L. Strout.

"The terrible moral decision to use the atomic bomb was made by a few people. I suppose its use was inevitable. Once you invest two billion dollars in a firecracker, you just have to light it." — TRB: VIEWS AND PERSEPCTIVES OF THE PRESIDENCY by Richard L. Strout.

What's Cooking At School?

BREAKFAST

Monday, February 4 -- Orange juice, honey buns, milk.

Tuesday, February 5 -- Fruit cup, sausage links, Cinnamon toast, milk.

Wednesday, February 6 -- Apple juice, assorted cereals, milk.

Thursday, February 7 -- Orange half, waffles, syrup, bacon strips, milk

Friday, February 8 -- Blended fruit juice, scrambled eggs, toast, milk.

LUNCH

Monday, February 4 --Barbecued beef on buns, French fried potato rounds, carrot salad, gingerbread with orange glaze, milk.

Tuesday, February 5 -- Country steaks, gravy, steamed rice, seasoned green beans, bread, peach cobbler, milk.

Wednesday, February 6 -- Pizza, buttered green peas, tossed green salad, bread, fruit gelatin, milk.

Thursday, February 7 -- Fried chichen, gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered mixed vegetables, apple turnovers, milk.

Friday, February 8 --Fried fish, au gratin potatoes, cole slaw, bread, cottage pudding, milk.

Note: These menus are subject to change without notice depending upon availability and delivery of foods.

Eyes And Answers

GLARE PROBLEM

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There are so many elements in the human body that can cause glare problems, we are most cautious in declaring a cause. Sometimes, dark lenses may bring comfort but actually be harmful by covering up the cause of the problem. That could be compared to the use of a pain reliever for headache without looking into the cause of the headache; such care could be dangeroug.

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Nursing Home News

The Aransas Pass Nursing and Convalescent Center had a busy week during the week of January 21, through January 27.

Monday afternoon, they had their "Blue Grass Music" Program, with Altie Alberson on the piano, John Blair playing the fiddle and mandolin, Bill Cooper on banjo, and Bob Stewart playing guitar, fiddle and mandolin.

Tuesday morning, the residents began their weekly Reality Orientation and exercise classes. The classes were conducted Tuesday through Friday mornings. On Tuesday afternoon, the Acteen's from the First Baptist Church of Aransas Pass paid their monthly visit to pick their King and Queen for the month. Mr Raymond (Pat) Kindle was honored as King, and Mrs. Ruby Legett was selected Queen. The enthusiasum for this program is growing, so the residents will try to have it in the evenings sometime in the future, so that others may attend.

Wednesday morning, Delma Rodgers offered her services as a Center volunteer. She returned Thursday morning and visited several of the residents. Sandra Lee began her visiting as a Center volunteer. She has volunteered to visit and help our residents during her lunch break every weekday and in the evenings. Mary Dortenier, was out Wednesday to write letters and read and visit with the residents. Mr. Gordon Cougar brought the residents two large trays of chocolate fudge, and divinity. Libby and Tom Legett sent four pounds of diabetic candy. Wednesday afternoon was Bible Study time, and Brother Mark Lemke and several members of the Church of Christ of Aransas Pass attended. Mrs. Inez Bracht of Rockport sent the residents lap robes and socks. The gifts were delivered by Mrs. Bracht's granddaughter, Fabian.

Thursday morning, Ruth Crenshaw, Pat Towns and Faye Cantrell passed out fifty bags of fruit and cookies to the residents. Thursday afternoon, Bob Keepers and Bill Cooper presented a musical program. Bob played the piano, and Bill played the banjo.

Friday morning, Frankie and Lyla held their paint class. On Friday afternoon, Father James Hamilton and members of the St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church of Aransas Pass held mass.

Saturday night, the residents had their "Country Western Dance". Musicians were Mary Francis Fahrenthold, Robert Mize, and Jesse Dickerson. Refreshments were furnished by the members of the St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Aransas Pass.

Sunday morning, Reverend Al Bankert held church services, and Johnie Dunbar played the piano. Sunday afternoon, the members of the First Christian Church of Ingleside had their monthly "Sing-In".

All during the week, the residents had their social and coffee hour in the mornings, and played dominoes each afternoon.

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Cub Scouts Hold Pinewood Derby

On Saturday, January 26, Cub Scout Pack #49 held its Pinewood Derby at the Live Oak Elementary School. The scouts won ribbons and prizes for the fastest and best decorated cars in the event. All cars were hand carved and painted from identical blocks of wood.

Those entered included: eight-year-olds Robert Konvicka and Mike Bishop; Nine-year-olds Juan Sandoval, David May, Marty Ancira, Norm Spears, Steven McManus, Mark Blankinship, Mike Guthrie, Scott Cloberdants and Joey Trimyer; and ten-year-olds Ben Friebele, Clay Martin, Jon Craigmile, Larry Randall and Steven Sbrusch.

The three best designed cars were chosen with all the age groups combined. The winner was David May; second place went to Mike Bishop and Steven Sbrusch took third.

The entrants then ran double-elimination races to determine the fastest cars in each age group. The eight-year-old results were: first place-Robert Konvicka and second-Mike Bishop. In the nine-year-old category, first place went to Mike Guthrie, second to Norm Spears and third place went to Scott Cloberdants. Ten-year-old winners were, for first place-Ben Friebele, second-Clay Martin and third-Larry Randall.

The three winners of each age group then ran double-elimination races to determine the three fastest cars overall: first-Mike Guthrie, second-Norm Spears and third-Robert Konvicka.

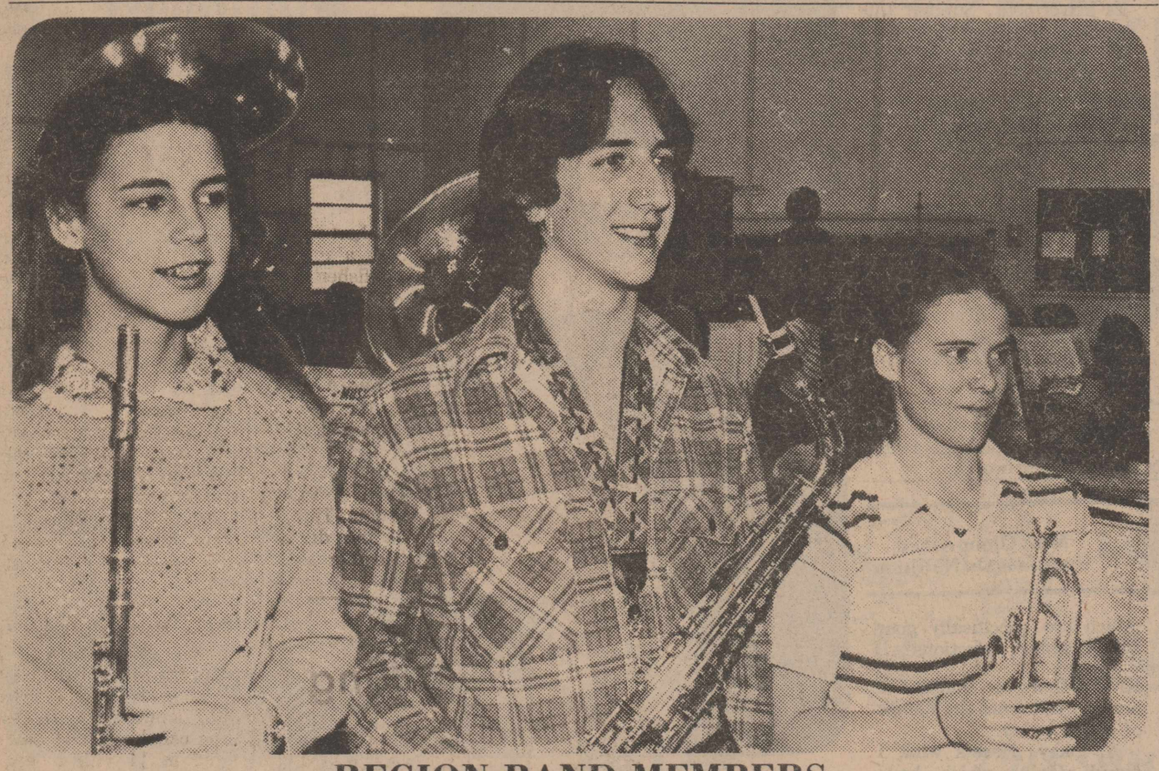
There were also an open class for the families of the Cub Scouts to race cars. Those winners were Randy Blankinship, first place; Wesley Cloberdants, second; and Peggy Friebele, third.

Cub Scout Pack #49 gave special thanks to Butch Lassiter and Charlie Boone for judging the cars and officiating the races. Also, special thanks went to their sponsors, the Rockport Rotary Club.



VICTORIOUS SCOUTS

Shown here are the winners in the various events of the Cub Scout Pack #49 Pinewood Derby, which was held Saturday, January 26. On the right, from the front, are Michael Guthrie, Norm Spears, Michael Bishop, David May and Scott Cloberdants. On the left, from the front, are Larry Randall, Robert Konvicka, Steven McManus, Clay Martin, Steven Sbrusch and Ben Friebele.
[Pilot Photo by Eddie Bradley]



REGION BAND MEMBERS

These three Pirate Band members, from the left, Beth Randow, James Merrett and Belinda Cross, were recently named to both the all-district and all-region bands. Beth and Belinda were chosen for the Symphonic 14 Band and James was selected for the Regional Concert Band. They took part in a clinic and concert at Del Mar College on January 4 and 5. At the concert, the Symphonic Band was led by Col. Arnold Gabriel, director of the U.S. Air Force Band in Washington, D.C. The Concert Band was led by Dr. George Nelson, Professor and Director of Bands at Southwestern University in Georgetown. The two bands had about 110 students in each one, and about 500 area students tried out for the positions. Solo and ensemble contests are coming up in early March, and concert and sight reading competitions will be held in late April.
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The Creature Still Walks Among Us

By Eddie Bradley

Between various assignments this week, I was able to see portions of the three-part series, "The Martian Chronicles."

It is said that Ray Bradbury was very unhappy with what the video people had done to his story, but I think the main problem was that the things he puts down and the way he does it would be hard to duplicate by anyone. Nobody could reproduce on celluloid what Bradbury does with the reader's imagination.

If I sound like a science fiction expert, it is because, in all humility, I am.

Here are some of my credentials: saw the original "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," with Kevin McCarthy; was on the front row when "Beast From 20,000 Fathoms" came out; threw popcorn at Steve McQueen in "The Blob" before he ever heard of Ali McGraw; thrilled to the one, the only, "King Kong," with Fay Wray, not once, but 28 times!

Oh, incidentally, it wasn't necessary to pay everytime we saw those movies, because that was back in the days when you could stay in the theatre until they closed if you wanted. Unfortunately, there were many double features and it was necessary to sit through a lot of sicky love stuff before we got to the good monster parts.

Of course, I was just a kid back then, but I'll still take a good old scary movie every time, over some of the other choices we get. Most spooky shows have the same attraction that sporting events do, that is, you have someone to pull for and someone to pull against. There is usually a definite winner and loser at the end.

Mostly, I root for the alien creature, because no matter how big, tough or mean it is, you know the other guys are probably going to win out in the end. Besides, the creature usually has more personality than the rest of the cast put together.

I like a show with a good old, regular monster that looks like your mother-in-law before her Oil of Olay bath; one that catches people alone and rips them to shreds, like an IRS agent.

You can come home following a monster movie, and, after a couple of nights sleeping with the lights on, be back to normal. But I've seen a few shows about the things people do to each other that really gave me a hard time getting to sleep. Now that's what is scary.

Science fiction in general has been treated as a poor relative over the years, relegated to pulp magazines and some of the lowest-budgeted films ever made.

But thanks to the work of writers such as Bradbury and Isaac Asimov and film makers like Gene Roddenberry ("Star Trek"), Sci Fi now has a much wider public acceptance. Just look at all the new movies and TV shows, with those terrific special effects.

This seems the perfect time for me to make my move. I have this idea for a great film. Alien beings seek to destroy the earth by bringing all the shower massagers to life and having them attack anyone taking a bath.

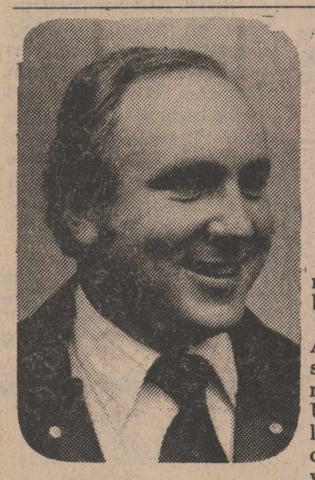
The people panic, see, and there is a huge crush to buy deodorants. Well, one night, when the moon is full. . . no, I don't want to spoil the end for you.

So just consult your local listings for the time and theatre showings of "Night of the Living Roll-On."

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County Agent News

By Mike Rothrock
County Extension Agent
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This is the first in a series of 16 articles That I will be providing you. Remember that there will be a gardening booklet available from my office soon. So, hurry and put your name on our gardening mailing list to insure a copy. Just call 364-2334 or write to P.O. Drawer 1340, Sinton, Texas 78387.

VEGETABLE GARDENING SHORTCOURSE

No. 1 Garden Planning

So you want to grow a garden? Maybe because you like to be outdoors, next to the good earth, letting the fertile soil run through your fingers. Maybe because you like the taste of vegetables right off the plant. Maybe for the satisfaction of having nurtured a beautiful living thing were before there was only bermude or crab grass.

Or maybe because you dropped a hundred dollars on your last trip to the supermarket.

In any case, you want to grow a garden!

Where do you start? No with your hands in your pockets looking at the pretty packets in a local seed display case. Thats where all too many would be tillers of the soil have launched ill-fated affairs with the garden.

Do it right! Think! Plan!

First, think about where you are going to put the garden. If you're a beginner with an average size family, you won't need a lot of space. Perhaps you will choose a plot 20 by 20 feet or maybe less.

Whatever the size, you need to think in terms of four basic requirements.

First, you need sunlight. All vegetables need some sunlight. Most vegetables must have full sunlight. Unless you're planning for leaf crops like broccoli, collards, or spinach, you'll want every ray of sunshine available.

So the garden can't be too near the shade of a hedge, shrub, or trees in your yard.

Proximity is the second consideration. Put your plot as near the back door as possible. This will make bringing home the fruits of your labor a pleasant chore.

The out-of-sight, out-of-mind principle applies here. A garden doesn't demand constant care and attention, but it will thrive if you visit it once a day. If you don't check it regularly, insects, disease or lack of water can decimate your little Eden in less than a week.

So plan the garden close to the house where watching it won't be a hassle.

The third consideration is the soil. Exact soil type is not that important. Ideally, soil should be fertile and easy to till, with just the right texture, a loose, well-drained loam.

If your back yard dirt doesn't meet these specifications 100 percent, don't panic! You can whip it into shape without breaking your back.

If at all possible, aviod areas infested with Johnsongrass and other ugly weeds. Avoid putting your garden on top of a rocky ledge or in a poorly drained area. All these create difficulties when it comes to gardening.

The fourth consideration for location is water. Put your garden near a faucet. No poor reflection on Mother Nature, but she doesn't always pull out the stops when you need rain. Including rain and the water hose, your garden needs at least one inch of water per week.

Assuming you still want a garden, you're ready for the planting stage.

Step 1 of the planting stage is selecting what vegetables you want to grow. If you like tomatoes, plan to plant tomatoes. If you like beans, plan to plant beans. With few exceptions you can plan to plant whatever you like.

Step 2 is the tough part, but it is worth it. Make a rough diagram of the garden, then make a chart. The sooner you get it done, the better. It will help you make deadlines you might otherwise put off until tomorrow, put off until next week, or miss altogether.

The chart will tell you the kind of vegetables you're going to plant, the distance between rows and plants, amount of fertilizer to use, and time of planting.

To make sure you have all of the gardening information that anyone will ever need to be a success, stop by the local Extension office or a participating nursery and get, free of charge, a spring vegetable gardening special.

The spring gardening season is upon South Texas gardeners. Timing is the key to success and NOW is the time. For more information to insure a spring growing success, be sure to read the gardening series which will appear weekly in this newspaper.

Experts on gardening will also be giving valuable information on a special radio program and a special T.V. Program. The radio program will be broadcast on WOAI (AM 1200) on Tuesday, February 26, from 8 - 10 p.m. The T.V. program will be KRIS T.V., Channel 6, Corpus Christi on Sunday, February 3, from 1 - 2 p.m.

Pirates Edge Past Wildcats, 46-44

By Bob Crawford

Rockport - Fulton and Gregory-Portland hitched up in a barn-burner Tuesday night before the Pirates finally came away the victor 46-44 in Portland.

The game unfolded like a Made - for - TV movie. Gregory-Portland managed to surprise the Pirates and take a 10-0 lead in the first quarter before the Pirates ever hit a basket.

Coach Bobby Flanagan inserted Ruben Garcia into the lineup after half of the period had swept by. With 3:35 remaining in the period, Garcia hit a 20 foot shot for the first Pirate score of the night. The rest of the team seemed to take notice, and before period was out, Rockport had caught the Wildcats and gone ahead on a Donnie Frels slam dunk on a breakaway. GP managed to tie the score at 12-12 as the horn sounded.

The game was one of, "I'll take the lead, no you take the lead," during the second quarter. The score was knotted up five times during that eight-minute period.

GP did make a move to go ahead at the half 26-24, and the Pirates had to leave the floor behind. Doug Hurst, GP's hotshot, had worn out the nets in the first half with 16 points by the half.

In the third stanza, the game followed the same pattern, with the lead changing hands five times before the scoreboard read 39-39 at the end of that quarter.

The fourth period started off with the look of same old song, fourth verse, but midway through the period the cat-and-mouse game began. The GP coach had his players go into a stall. At the time, the Wildcats were two points ahead. The Pirates got control and a needless foul was committed by the Wildcats, and their big gun exited with his fifth foul.

The Pirates seemed to blend in to their own stall after that, and went ahead by a point when Garcia hit a free throw and Frel's tipped in Garcia's second attempt.

At 1:20 remaining, the Wildcats were still in a stall, but one point back. Flanagan had his players move away from the trailing Wildcats so as not to let them pick up an easy basket. Meanwhile, the clock kept running.

GP called time out with 23 seconds remaining. When they came back on the floor, they continued the stall until they tried to make their move with seven seconds remaining.

The Wildcats successfully shook a man loose in the lane for a seven footer, but the ball bounced out, and in a crowd, Garcia came down with the ball for the Pirates. With hands reaching for the ball, he called timeout.

Flanagan gave his team instructions. They got the ball inbounds, and GP took a foul with 0:01 remaining. Garcia hit one of the two shots to give the Pirates a two point lead.

GP took the rebound from the second shot, and one of their strong men heaved the ball the length of the court, and it hit the top of the backboard. The Pirates had a win!

Frels was the leading scorer for the Pirates with 14 points; Mark McDonald, who palyed tough underneath, put in 12 tallies; and Garcia hit for 11 points, with seven coming from the free throw line.

The Pirates will play on the road Tuesday night in West Oso at 8:00.

Rockport's JV fell victim to GP's JV by a 50-30 score. GP took control early, and then they managed to hold on to the lead for the remainder of the game.

By the half, GP owned a nine point lead over the Pirates at 25-16. Nineteen was the difference at the end of three periods, and twenty was the final difference after four quarters.

No one hit double figures for the Pirates. Michael Simmons, the team's leading scorer, could only toss in 9 points. Jon Shaw added seven points.

The JV will play on Thursday night in Rockport against Sinton.

Little League Ass'n To Meet February 7

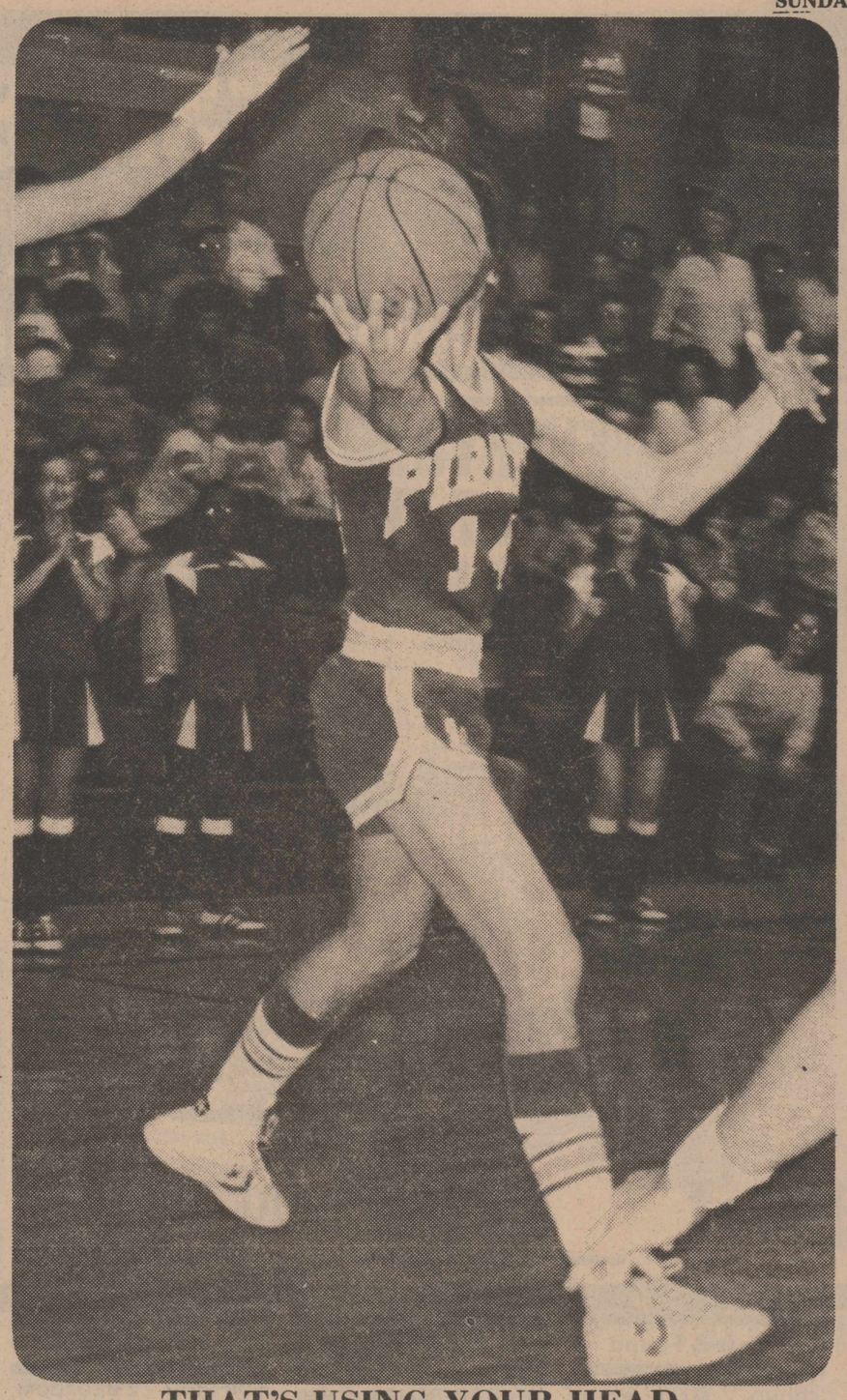
The Aransas County Little League Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 7, in the district courtroom, Aransas County Courthouse.

Purpose of the meeting is to elect the 1980 ACLLA president and to prepare for the 1980 season.

Adults interested in volunteering their services as managers, coaches, team mothers, umpires, scorekeepers and announcers are also urged to attend this meeting. It is not necessary to be a parent to volunteer to help with the organization.

The ACLLA offers baseball programs for boys age 8—18 and girls 9—18 years of age. Some 500 Aransas County youngsters participated in the program in 1979.

Next Thursday's meeting will include a financial and program report.



THAT'S USING YOUR HEAD

During the season, many ball players eat, drink and sleep basketball, but it looks like Mark Setterbo has really let it go to his head! This action was captured during the Pirates' exciting 61-52 win over Calallen last week. [Pilot Photo by Eddie Bradley]

Girls Drop Game To G-P

By Bob Crawford

Tuesday night in Portland, the Lady Pirates lost a second round game to Gregory-Portland by a 47-25 margin.

The bigger Wildcats put up the most shots, and the old saying is that you have to shoot in order to make points, and that is what they did.

Early on, the Wildcats established a lead, and the Lady Pirates could just not overtake them.

Alma Mendiola paced the Pirates in scoring with 11 points, pushing her season's total to 165. Belinda Cross added seven points to the total as second high scorer for the night.

Next Tuesday the girls play at West Oso at 6:30. Following that game, the Lady Pirates will have only two games remaining this season.

Fishing Report

This will be a short one. Weather has been a major factor in keeping fishermen off the water and those that do try their luck find it mostly bad.

Sea Gun Marine---A few people are trying the basin, but not much else is happening.

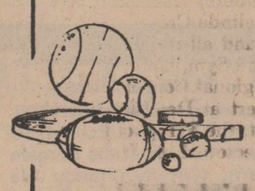
Causeway Pier---The water is very rough. There should be some big drum caught if the weather lets people get out on the pier. A few big drum have already been taken during the week.

Kleine's Rattlesnake Point Fishing Camp---The first part of the week, fishing was good. A lot of trout were caught through Wednesday from boats and off the bank. Right now, things are shut down pretty good until the weather breaks.

Key Allegro Marina---No boats have gone out this week.

Palm Harbor Marina---A few reds were brought in during the week, but generally, all is slow. On Tuesday night, trout were feeding in the canal and one fellow hauled in 11 with a white plastic shrimp that glows. The next night, several showed up with plastic shrimp, but nobody told the fish to come back!

Speaking Of Sports



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HEADIN' FOR THE BASKET

Mark Setterbo (14) drives the baseline toward the basket against Calallen last week as Mark McDonald (42) comes in to set a pick. The play was successful, as were many others; the Pirates came away with a nice victory over the visiting Wildcats. [Pilot Photo by Eddie Bradley]

Dredging Is Found Helpful To Wildlife

By Eddie Bradley

Not only is dredging necessary to maintain the nation's navigation channels, says an environmentalist, but wildlife can benefit from dredged material.

This statement came from a recent article in the Houston Chronicle and was quoted from Mary C. Landlin, a biologist with the U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station in Mississippi. She was a guest speaker at a study on dredging at Texas A&M University.

Ms. Landlin was also quoted as saying that dredged material can be disposed of to form sanctuaries for wildlife, and that bare ground habitat undisturbed by humans and "thus available for nesting birds and other wildlife is scarce along the entire Gulf and Atlantic coasts.'

John Smith, a biologist with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, has worked with Ms. Landlin on studies of this nature, and says that, "Both active brown pelican colonies on the Texas coast, are now on islands that were created from dredge material."

These are Pelican Island, near the Corpus Christi Ship Channel, and Long Reef in Aransas Bay.

Smith said that the islands in the ski basin were created from spoil and could be very useful for nature wildlife. He said that fresh spoil, which is barren, benefits some birds more than others, and that older spoil, which becomes vegetated, is better for different types of birds.

"Part of the islands in the ski basin could use some more spoil to attract the Least Tern off Rockport Beach," Smith said. "Right now, they nest where animals and cars can get to them-they would be better off on the islands."

Apparently these birds at one time nested all along the beach and what is now Key Allegro, but "all that is left in this area for them to nest in, is a spot near the salt water pool, everything else is developed."

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5	Boys Var.	West Oso	There	8:00	1
7	Girls F.	Sinton	Here	8:00	1
7	Boys F, JV	Sinton	Here	5:00	2
7-9	J.H. Girls	District Tourney in Calallen			
7-9	J.H. Boys	District Tourney in Tuloso-Midway			
8	Girls JV, Var.	Sinton	Here	5:00	2
8	Boys Var.	Sinton	Here	8:00	1

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3. Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE: MISC items for sale at the Bargain Barn, 1701 S. Church. We buy, sell, trade, new & used furniture, appliances, tools, sporting goods, etc. Come in or call 729-6702, we have a book exchange. Open 8:30 til 5:30.

7. Lost & Found

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7. Lost & Found

FOUND - MALE BLACK and white cat in Oak Terrace. 729-3735.

LOST SHEEPDOG, MALE, black & white with no tail. Copano Cove area. 729-5117.

GOLD ROPE CHAIN EARring for pierced ears. Lost around HEB. Reward. 729-5861.

10. Help Wanted

UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY for man or woman. Details through interview only. 729-1455 evenings for appointment.

ACCURATE TYPIST needed. Call 729-1401 Sat, Mon, Tues, Wed. only.

APPLICATIONS NOW being taken for part time waitress. Good starting pay, uniforms provided. Excellent working conditons. Apply in person to Little Bay Club.

10. Help Wanted

WANTED RELIABLE PERmanent housekeeper & babysitter for working family. Rm & board and above average wages for girl or woman capable of taking full charge of household duties and 1 child. All applicants considered. Call 729-2554 days till 4 p.m. 729-7743 evenings or write P.O. Box 238, Fulton, Texas 78358.

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16. Apartments

DUPLEX, 2 BDR., 1 BATH, unfurnished. $250. 729-3840.

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17. Houses for Rent

AVAILABLE NOW! LOVEly 3 bdrm., 2 bath, carpeted, draped, appliances. $425 monthly; $200 deposit, 6 or 12 month lease. Gene Everett, rental agent, 729-7671 nights; weekends, 729-2324.

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17. Houses for Rent

FOR RENT - 2 BEDROOM, 2 bath house, Key Allegro, Unfurn., for info. call Louise Hughes, Sandpiper Real Estate, 729-7771.

* WOW *
CHEAP RENT
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19. Business Rentals

STORE OR OFFICE BUILDing on Fulton Beach Rd. Rent or lease. 729-6955.

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21. Trailer Space

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FOR ALL YOUR BUILDING & remodeling needs. Free estimates. Mike's Construction Co. 729-3875.

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ELECTRICAL CONTRACTing. New work-old work. Free estimates. Call Bernie at 729-0286.

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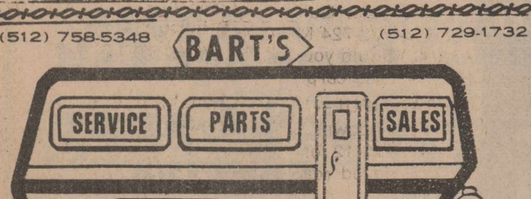
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28. Pets-Supplies

AKC CHIHUAHUA PUPS 8 weeks old. $100. ea. 883-3501, 9-6 p.m. 854-2553 after 6 & ask for Cheryl.

30. Articles Wanted

WANTED TO BUY: USED furniture, appliances, tools and sporting goods, etc. call 729-6702.

BUYING ALL SILVER & gold coins & sterling. I will beat anyone's price - I guarantee it!! 729-7825, Larry Strickland.

WANTED RIFLES, PISTOLS, shotguns, bayonets, swords & military souvenirs. Call Jim Scoggins, Mr. Parts, Inc. 729-7610.

$20 FOR BEFORE 1970 silver dollars $7.50 for before 1965 halves. $3.75 for before 1965 quarters $1.50 for 1965 times. $2.00 for 1965 thru 1970 halves. 729-5146.

31. Articles for Sale

"THE SWINGER" IS BACK in town and at a reduced price. Only $4.00 for a Parker pen you can have with you always. 1002 Wharf St., Rockport Pilot Office.

18' UPRIGHT FREEZER, apt. refrigerator, No-frost, dubl door refrigerator, 30" electric range, 36" gas range, GE washer & dryer, new mattresses & foundations, bunk beds, 40,000 BTU heater, dinettes, sofas, end tables, coffee tables, chests, dressers & Royal standard typewriter.
The Trading Post
Hwy. 35 W. Aransas Pass
758-2201

WE HAVE THE RIGHT spot for you to tell your "sweetie" that you are thinking of them. Place an ad for Valentine's. Only $3.50. 729-9900.

METAL BUILDINGS, Several sizes - low prices. See at ADDCO GLASS & MIRROR CO. 422 Market 729-7534.

FLOOR MODEL TRUEtone color TV. Perfect condition. $200. 729-1570.

GET THOSE OLD FILES transferred. We have Permafile storage boxes. Letter size $4.30; Legal size $4.50; Letter/legal $4.40. 1002 Wharf St., Rockport Pilot Office.

MAGNETIC SIGNS, 11" x 22". Any copy any color ink; $15. pair postpaid or call 729-6893, Jewel Box, Rt. 1, Box 370, Rockport.

Musical Instruments

TWO PIANOS, ONE organ, priced right to sell----used but in pretty good condition; needs tuning. Bargain Barn, 1701 Church St. 729-6702.

REMEMBER YOUR SWEETHEART!
GET A VALENTINE AD
FOR $3.50. 729-9900

34. Sail Boats

WESTSAIL 42, KETCH, Santana 26 w/trailer. Clipper 21 w/trailer. Buck Bailey. 729-1000.

16' HOBIE CAT W/ trailer. 729-7492, Mike Peyton after 6 p.m.

39. Business Opportunity

HAVE A HIGHLY PROFITable and beautiful Jean Shop of your own. Featuring the latest in Jeans, Denims and Sportswear. $16,500. includes beginning inventory, fixtures and training. You may have your store open in as little as 15 days. Call any time for Mr. Loughlin 612-835-1304.

ENERGY CONSCIOUS???
Developers - Realtors - Home Builders. Lucrative opportunity for qualified builders, heavily insulated, highly energy efficient, steel frame homes. Sell for $18. to $20 per sq. ft. insulation up to R-45. Call Mr. Stegall at 1-800-255-2408, 9-5 p.m.

42. Acreage Sale

APPROX. TEN ACRES, 3 miles from Rockport, partially cleared with two manmade lakes stocked with fish. At $2,800 an acre, this one won't last long 512-758-7551. Ask for Mike.

174 ACRES OF LAND ADjoining Rockport at Oak Terrace. $2,761 per acre, $100,000 down, $50,000 per yr., 9 percent balance. Call 713-497-2765.

43. Business Property

NEW BUILDING
Prime retail or office bldg. for lease. Location 500 Market St. 729-1068 or 729-1918 after 6 p.m.

MOBILE HOME PARK
18 spaces; price includes 9 mobiles & 1 trlr. Income $2,240. pr. mo. $35,000 down - earns over 25% return. Owner finance. 729-0009.

44. Waterfront

KEY ALLEGRO DREAM WATERFRONT
$96,499 - $11,999. down. Payments to cheap for paper. Quick - out of state owner. Associated Real Estate, Inc. 729-9041, 729-0867.

***** WOW *****
Palm Harbor waterfront lot. $2,999. down. Owner finance. Call Quick. Associated Realtors, 729-9041, 729-0867.

45. Lots for Sale

2 LOTS READY TO BUILD on near the water. Priced to sell quickly. 729-2119.

ARANSAS PASS - ROCKPORT AREA: 2.5 & 5 acre wooded lots. 10% down, 10 yr. financing at 10% interest. 758-2758.

46. Condos For Sale

SEA-GUN - 1 BDRM, FURnished, pool, restaurant, completely rebuilt in 1978. $38,500 with owner financing at 20 percent down. Owner/broker, O.C. Bailey, 729-1000.

47. Houses for Sale

3 BDRM, 2 BATH, C-A/H, 2-car, separate living and utility. 1700 sq. ft. on corner, fenced solid trees. $49,900. 729-6205 evenings.

EASY TO OWN—2 BR, 1 ba, screened porch, fenced corner lot. Morgan Real Estate - 992-7193; nites Sam R. Sanders - 729-1215.

47. Houses for Sale

BY OWNER—HOLIDAY Beach. New 2 bdrm, 1 bath beach home-view - Copano Bay. Carpet, paneling, ramps, pool, parks, fishing pier. $26,500. Call C.L. Daniel, Jr. 729-7739; 729-2326.

BY OWNER - 2 B, 2 B. nearly new, trees, 2 blocks from ba', Timberlane Loop & Scott in Fulton. 729-7744.

OWNER WILL HELP
qualified, responsible buyer attain ownership of this delightful home with clear view of the water from 2 upstairs decks, plus separate cottage providing nice income. Shown by appt. only. Morgan Real Estate, 992-7195, nites Sam R. Sanders 729-1215.

LAMAR BARGAIN
2 nice size bedrooms, 1 bath with double sinks, large living room with fireplace. Beautiful lot studded with oak trees. Owner will finance home to qualified buyer. $38,000; evenings 729-2060.

LOVELY, LARGE, BRICK 3 bdrm., 2 b., LR, dining, den, playroom, plus separate workshop. Very good value at $69,500. By appt. 729-5497.

OWNER FINANCED - FURnished 2 bdrm, bath, garage, city utilities, 5 blocks from bay in Rockport. 729-5783.

KEY ALLEGRO 4 BEDrooms, 3 baths, shop room, boat dock, fish clean sta., cathedral ceilings, 6" walls for strength, fenced back yard, gas heating. Covered back porch, 2-car port. $120,000. Owner financed 10½%, 21 Sandpiper. Appointment only. 729-1472.

48. Mobile Homes

14 x 65 MOBILE HOME, 2 bedrm., 1 bath, C-A/H, furnished, $8,700; unfurnished $8,200. 729-7811.

14 X 60 RAMADA WITH 14 X 24 Florida room, 8x16 storage shed, carport & patio. Skirted completely around trailer. Completely redone inside. Star Fish Lot #23, 729-1500.

8 x 32 2 BEDROOM MOBILE home, 729-1500.

LIKE NEW, 14 x 72 MOBILE home, 2 br, 2 B, large living room, kitchen & dining area, large walk-in closets, plenty of storage space, C-a-h. Under $14,000. 729-0113.

8x22 - 2 BEDROOM MObile home. Very nice. $3,250. 729-1500.

14 x 80 MOBILE HOME, very nicely furnished. Skirted with built on room & large front porch. No land. $14,500. 729-0731 or 729-0840.

14' x 65' 1974 BERKLY Executive model-2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, C-h/a, dishwasher, storage building, semi-furnished. Call 729-5145.

49. Travel Trailers

8 X 23 SCAMPER TRAvel trailer, $2,350. Camper shell for short bed p.u., $200. 729-6702.

TWO SELF-CONTAINED travel trailers w/air, 30'. Holiday & 20' Trailblazer. See at Redwood Trailer Park on Hwy. 35 N.

1977 TWILIGHT BUNGAlow, 27' - 5th wheeler. 1976 3/4 ton pick-up. Low mileage. Will sell together or separate. Trailer Oaks Trailer Park, Lot #3.

OPEN ROAD CAMPER, fully furnished. Like new. Good mileage. 729-1059.

CAMPER - SELF-CONtained. Real nice. $850. 729-1046.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR VALENTINE AD. ONLY ONLY $3.50. 729-9900

51. Power Boats

16 FT. AIRBOAT, REbuilt Corvair aluminum boat. Galvanized drive-on trailer. Lights, alum. prop, many extras. New rig. 729-2031.

1978 SEARAY 24' BOAT, twin 170 hp, I/O Mercruiser, Cabin sleeps 4, head, stove, marine radio, depth finder, tandem galvanized trlr. Like new: motors have less than 100 hrs. See at 27 Nassau - Key Allegro Call 1-575-0268 or 1-573-7760, Victoria, Texas $19,500.

1973 WINNER FLY BRIDGE cruiser, 28', stand up head, galley, sleeps 6, 50 hrs. on rebuilt Chrysler 440. A great boat. ON CALL BOAT SERvice, 7 Bahama Dr. 729-2297.

FIBERGLAS SPORT FISHers w/fly bridges----Hatteras 34 & 41'--Bertram 25, 31 & 42--Jersey 31 [diesels] ---Chris Craft 38 & 57--Harris 36. "Buck Bailey, 729-1000.

28' FARLEY W/440 Chrysler engine. [2] 312 Interceptor engines complete w/transmission. 729-6262.

17' GLASTRON WALKthru windshield, 85 hp Evinrude, galvanized, tilt trlr, electric winch. 729-5783.

17' BOAT & TRAILER. Custom made for fishing, 85 hp Johnson. Great buy at $2,200. 729-3812 or 729-2732.

V-8 CUMMINS TRUCK engine - running condition. Ideal for boat. Charlie Keller, 729-5363. See at 230 Ivy Lane.

52. Trucks

'71 FORD PICK-UP WITH 302 V-8. Runs good. $500. 729-1046.

1973 CHEVROLET CHEYenne Blazer 4-wheel drive, automatic, p/s, p/b, am/fm-w 8 track tape, steel spoke wheels w/Dunlop L-60's - positraction. $2,600. Call after 6, 729-1790 or 729-1118.

54. Automobiles

1973 THUNDERBIRD, 1973 IHC pick-up. Good condition. 729-3198.

ONE OWNER - 1973 DELTA 88. Good tires, transmission, regular gas. Excellent motor & body. $950. 729-1659 or 729-6671 after 5 p.m.

1972, 4-DOOR, MATADOR, V-8, PS, Pa. One owner. 729-2201 or 729-5726 after 5 p.m.

1978 MERCURY STATION wagon, full size - loaded. $5,695. 729-0126 or 729-7864.

1979 VW SCRICCO; HIGH MPG, regular gas, low mileage, show room condition. Luxury sports. 758-2197 after 6:00 or weekends.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Lyman-Roberts Hospital, in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or handicap.

No person shall be subject to discrimination because of his/her race, color, national origin, or handicap, or the provision of any service provided by, contracted by, or arranged by the hospital. This includes admission to the hospital, hospital emergency room, financial arrangement, room assignment, care and treatment. Ancilliary services and referral or transfer to another facility are also included.

Further, no employee or applicant for employment shall be subject to such discrimination in any matter relating to employment.

Further, the Lyman-Roberts Hospital, Inc. offers general medical medical surgical and services to all within the limits of our medical staff and hospital facility.

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Ademas el hospital Lyman-Roberts Inc. ofrecerse general medico quirurgico y servico para todos en limite de nuestro cuerpo medico y hospital facilidad.

Years Ago

35 Years Ago---1945

Stanley B. Daggett is now chairman of the Aransas County War Price and Rationing Board. He is the fourth chairman of the board since rationing began in 1942.

Lt. Jack Sanders, engineering corps of the Marines, had his left hand blown off in an explosion last week. It is believed the mechanism on a high explosive detonator was defective and went off immediately instead of ten seconds later as it should have.

Showing at the Rio Theatre, "Blazing Guns" with Hoot Gibson.

30 Years Ago---1950

Showing at the Rialto in Aransas Pass, W.C. Fields and Mae West in "My Little Chickadee."

The Woman's Club of Aransas County is sponsoring Plunkett's Big Stage Show, featuring Capt. Plunkett and his trained seals, dogs and "Congo" the chimpanzee with a human mind. Gorgeous girls-lovely wardrobes-spectacular lighting. Thirty people on stage, in person. Children-24 cents, adults-50 cents.

Senior lettermen received their reversible football jackets this week. Reserves received their sweaters last week.

25 Years Ago---1955

The March of Dimes over $865, according to campaign chairman, Mrs. Roy Lee Hart. There were also a few coin boxes and pledges outstanding.

The Chamber of Commerce elected Tom Roper as their new president. Joe Caldwell was first vice president, Arthur Bracht was second vice president, A.C. Glass was treasurer and Mary C. Juergens was secretary/manager.

20 Years Ago---1960

A request was made to the Commissioners Court that the old Port Bay causeway road be closed, but it was denied, as the commissioners felt that the road should be left open for egress and ingress of fishermen to Port Bay.

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15 Years Ago---1965

The Pirates beat Aransas Pass, 72-56, to take the District 30-AA lead. High scorer was Thomas Lewis with 20 points. Horace Lawrence had 19 points. Coach Dave Segler said that his boys proved they could be gentlemen as well as athletes.

At the City Paint and Body Shop, automobiles were being painted for $50 and up.

10 Years Ago---1970

After reaching an agreement on changes for street repair work for the City of Rockport, officials of Aransas County have agreed to name crews and equipment to do the jobs.

USDA Grade "A" fryers for 35 cents a pound at Trep's Foodcraft Store in Fulton.

Following the January 31 deadline, the county tax collector's office reports that only 3,871 persons had registered in person to vote. A few more have been received by mail. In 1968, the figure was 3,931; it was 3,056 in 1969.

5 Years Ago---1975

The lobby of the First National Bank was the subject of an entry in the 17th Annual S.M. Hexter Interiors of the Year design competition in New York. Susie Rucker designed the lobby and says she chose the bank's lobby because it was her best commercial category in 1974.

The Rockport B&PW held its annual husband's night and covered dish supper at the First Presbyterian Church. Loyce Ogle was president in 1975.

The Rockport Pirates beat Taft 58-52 to tie for the 15-3A district lead. In the North Zone championship, Rockport is now 6-1 and leads Gregory-Portland by one game.

Nature Trails

By David R. Blankinship
National Audubon Society Biologist

A question that frequently comes up when I am talking about whooping cranes is, "What do they eat?"

Many people assume their main fare is fish as is the case with most long-legged, long-necked birds they see in and around our water areas. Actually, only one type of fish, the eel, is taken in any numbers by the cranes. More about eels and whoopers later in this article.

The whooping crane's favorite food is the blue crab, which I think shows remarkably good taste on its part. Small crabs, up to about two inches across, are swallowed whole and, as you who are familiar with blue crabs know, that is a pretty spiny morsel to be sliding down your throat. Large crabs are carried into shallow water or shore and broken into bite-sized pieces.

Clams of several species including the angel wing, razor, jacknife and Rangia are also very important whooper foods.

This is particularly true during mid-winter, when low tide levels allow the cranes to forage over bay bottoms, where the water is too deep in fall and spring. The cranes locate and extract the clams from the mud using only their bill and then swallow the clams whole.

Now this latter is quite amazing as some of the clams are as much as four inches long and over an inch across, and some have very hard shells. The whooper's gizzard must be a powerful grinding machine as their droppings, when feeding on clams, are just a mass of crushed clam shells.

Other foods include mud shrimp, fiddler crabs, crayfish, snails, grasshoppers and snakes. Vegetable items are acorns, nutgrass bulbs and fruits of marsh plants such as Lycium.

Back to whoopers and eels; these long, slimy, snake-like fish are often captured by the birds as they probe the bottom for clams. The eels are usually small, six to twelve inches long, and are gobbled down quickly with apparent relish. I watched one episode which was a little different, however.

A pair of whoopers with their offspring of the year were feeding in the Dunham Bay area off the south end of the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge. The female caught an eel which was well over two feet long and much more robust than the usual eel. It wrapped around her head and twisted about in the manner of eels but she got it down with a foot and whacked it several times with her beak and then picked it up and shook it in her beak until it was fairly still.

She then gobbled it down, stood there for a few seconds and regurgitated it and began the whacking and shaking all over again. This process was repeated three times.

After the third time, the young whooper came over and took up the eel, now limp, and whacked it a few times and swallowed it. After a few seconds, up it came. The young crane picked it up and just stood there.

The male whooper, which had been watching from several yards away, now walked over and took the eel away from his offspring in a tug-of-war. The male then proceeded to whack and thrash the eel until the water frothed.

He then grasped the eel at mid-body with his beak and, with the fish drooping like a limp mustache, splashed over to the youngster and thrust the eel in its face. The young crane took the eel, swallowed it like a piece of spaghetti, and then settled down for a nap, happy as a lark—or as a whooping crane with a belly full of eel.

Some Birds Still Dying At The Refuge

Although the peak problem is past, some birds are still dying at the Aransas National Wildlife Refugio, according to refuge biologist, Steve Labuda.

The problem reached a peak during the third week in November, when about 10 birds per day, mostly snowgeese and sandhill cranes, were lost. The number is now down to one or two every couple of weeks.

The heavy rains of September, which followed the grain harvest, caused a wide-spread area of farmland to be inundated, and some of the grain which was left, developed a mold that turned out to be toxic to the birds.

The infected area was so large that individual fields could not be isolated; the only solution was to let the problem run its course, which has now just about happened.

Labuda said that the total number of birds lost to the mold disease has been about 200.

He said additionally, that the whooping cranes will begin to leave the refuge from the middle of March to April first and are usually all gone by the first of May.

Redfish Quotas NotAttained

AUSTIN — Commercial fishermen on the Texas Gulf Coast landed only 55 percent of their quota of red drum (redfish) assigned under provisions of the Red Drum Act during the year which ended August 31, 1979.

In the Aransas County area, the quota, actual harvest in pounds and the percentage of quota obtained were: San Antonio Bay, 86,520 pounds, 38,034 pounds, 44 percent; Aransas Bay, 260,540 pounds, 94,514 pounds, 36 percent; and Corpus Christi Bay, 119,280 pounds, 67,109 pounds, 56 percent.

For the Gulf of Mexico, the figures were 70,560 pounds, 10,314 pounds, 15 percent.

Boating Safety Tips

By Nathaniel J. Davis,
FSO/PR
United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

SPEED—Keep it down in narrow channels, anchorages, harbors, near docks and in the vicinity of fishing vessels, water skiers and small sailboats.

WAKES— Severe damage to moored vessels, docks and seawalls results from heavy wakes. Keep your wake down in confined areas. You can be liable for damages.

BOW RIDING— An extremely dangerous practice, especially where children are concerned.

BUZZING— The boating hot "rudder" shows his lack of courtesy by buzzing piers, swimming areas and other vessels.

POLLUTION— The considerate boater retains used cans, cartons, garbage and other debris in a container until the cruise ends.

RIGHT-OF-WAY— If the other boat fails to recognize your right of way, the well-mannered, prudent skipper will avoid a collision by giving way.

ANCHORING— Only the thoughtless or selfish boater anchors in mid channel, or ties illegally to a buoy or navigation aid while fishing.

Giving the other fellow a helping hand when you spot a distress signal is the mark of marine courtesy. Even at the launching ramp, courtesy and good manners come into play. It may be something as simple as helping another boater launch his craft.

Coast Guard Auxiliary boating instructors stress that practicing courtesy and good manners is not only elementary but essential to developing boating skills and seamanship. For details on public Auxiliary courses in this area, contact George B. Moore 729-7882 or 729-1751.



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Rites For Rubye Blankenship

Funeral services for Rubye Mae Blankenship, 59, of Rockport were at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 2, in the Sunset Funeral Home in San Antonio.

Burial was in Sunset Memorial Park. Mrs. Blankenship died Wednesday, January 30, in San Antonio.

She had been a resident of San Antonio and Rockport for 15 years.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Vernon C. (Sharon) Sloan of Waco; three sisters; two brothers; and two grandchildren.



Fire Report

Aransas County Volunteers

Calls through week ending January 30.

Rockport---On Monday (28) went to a drive-in grocery to wash spilled gasoline off the driveway. On the same day, went to a fire in a person's yard on Highway 35 S. A man was burning the hull of his old boat, which was about 20-feet long, in his back yard and caught the surrounding grass on fire. Fire units put the grass out and Assistant Fire Marshal, L.D. Crawford, "strongly suggested" that the man stop burning his boat. This was done. On Wednesday (30), units answered a call to the Rusty Anchor Restaurant, but the trucks were sent back before they got there. A faulty vent pipe had caused smoke from a hot water heater to come inside, there was a lot of smoke, but the firemen on the scene were able to handle the situation.

Copano Cove---No runs were made last week. The main project is still the new fire house.

Lamar---No runs during the week. The organization had a very successful fund-raising chili supper and cake sale.

Holiday Beach---Everything calm this week. Did not work at the fire house, except to run the equipment twice, to keep it in proper working order.

Rites Held For Mamie Snowden

Mrs. Mamie Snowden, 85, died Sunday, January 27 at the Taft Hospital.

Mrs. Snowden was born in Buna, and moved to Sinton in 1952 from San Antonio. She moved to Ingleside in 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Don Snowden of Rockport, and Jack Snowden, of Houston. One daughter, Mrs. Judith Rittiman, Ingleside, and one brother, Lee Peno, Jasper; two sisters Mrs. Aline Gilbert, Jasper; Mrs. Alma McDonald, Sealey; ten grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, in the Ritchea-Gonzales Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the San Patricio Memorial Gardens in Portland.

Cost of regulation

In 1977 the cost of government regulation amounted to $470 for each person residing in the United States.

At least $85 billion of the total $100 billion of these costs were "compliance costs" — the price individuals and business paid to respond to federal, state and local regulations. — CNS



THIS IS A TEA PARTY?

[Pilot Photo by Eddie Bradley]

Members of Mrs. Jane Adams' fifth grade class at Rockport Elementary had two tea parties last Wednesday, January 30. First, they performed several skits, which the students themselves wrote, portraying the American colonists who dressed as Indians and threw tea from England into Boston Harbor. When the history lesson was over, the students and Mrs. Adams shared some real good iced tea together in their room.



ONE INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Richard Garcia Solis, 32, of Rockport was taken to Lyman-Roberts Hospital in the aftermath of this accident on FM 881 just east of Doughty Street near Rockport. Solis was driving north on Doughty when he apparently lost control of his vehicle as he pulled away from a Stop sign. His car swerved into the path of a car driven by Robert Earnest Hawes, 58, of Rockport. Highway Patrol Officer Steve Miller investigated the accident which occurred about 9:55 p.m. Tuesday, January 29.

[Pilot Photo by Kevin Carter]

Fishing License Sales Show Big Increase

AUSTIN—Revenue from licenses sold by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department hit an all-time high during the 1978-79 fiscal year, at $13,898,057.

Substantial increases in sales of resident and nonresident fishing licenses, resident combination hunting and fishing licenses and resident trapping licenses were largely responsible for the increased revenue in the fiscal year which ended August 31.

Some of the gains were offset by a decline in both resident and general nonresident hunting licenses, the department said.

Resident fishing license sales jumped from 912,576 licenses which brought $3,654,465 in 1977-78, to 1,011,530 licenses and $4,049,389 revenue in 1978-79. Nonresident fishing license sales increased from 29,302 worth $293,480 in 1977-78, to 36,319 licenses valued at $363,809 during the past fiscal year.

Resident combination hunting/fishing licenses gained from 447,567 bringing in $3,806,657 during 1977-78, to 518,403 sold in 1978-79, worth $4,408,969.

Trapping licenses, relfecting a trend of higher fur prices in recent years, jumped from 33,156 licenses and $162,183 in revenue, to 38,794 licenses and $189,750 revenue in 1978-79.

Resident hunting license sales dropped from 398,614 and $1,994,657 revenue in 1977-78, to 338,668 licenses and $1,694,015 revenue in 1978-79.

General nonresident hunting license sales suffered a decline in revenue of $43,500 over the two-year period, but sales of nonresident five-day migratory game bird licenses increased by $17,102.

Tax Returns Deadline

January 31, 1980, is the date by which employers must report on Form 941 Social Security and withheld Federal income taxes for the fourth quarter of 1979, and pay any taxes due, the Internal Revenue Service said.

This deadline does not apply to those employers who make deposits of the full amount of tax due in Federeal Reserve or approved commercial banks. They are allowed until February 10 to file Form 941, "Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return."

If the quarterly liability (reduced by any deposit during the quarter) is $200 or more, the unpaid balance must be deposited.

If employers have not received Form 941 by mail, they can obtain one from local IRS offices. IRS Publication 15, "Circular E--Employer's Tax Guide," is also available at local offices.

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Sheriff's Report

Two TV sets, a "Mr. Coffee" machine and seven cases of beer were taken when the residence of L.D. Coffey, #7 Kingfisher, Key Allegro, was burglarized sometime during this past month.

Coffey called the Aransas County Sheriff's Department January 26 to report the burglary of the items, valued at more than $1,200.

The burglary occurred sometime between December 26 and January 26. The back door of the residence was forced open to gain entry.

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John S. Bonneau was charged with driving while intoxicated after he was arrested by Sheriff's Deputy Mark Sullivan about 11:51 p.m. January 26.

Deputy Sullivan said he stopped the vehicle after it ran off the roadway at Myrtle and Highway 35 South then accelerated southbound on Highway 35.

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The residence of Kenneth Neal Shellaby, 927 Oak, Rockport, was burglarized sometime between January 18 and January 25.

A .22 caliber German make gun with a six-inch barrel, valued at $100, was among items taken.

Also taken were 40 to 50 pounds of pennies valued at $100 and a treasure chest valued at $8.

The burglar(s) apparently broke the glass on the back door to gain entry.

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Elizabeth Burdette of Star Rt. 1, Rockport, reported a case of vandalism January 20 after the car she was driving ran out of gas at FM 1069 and 881.

She left the vehicle overnight and when she returned for the car, she discovered that the windows had been broken.

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Richard Voelkel reported burglary of his residence at 921 Racine on January 19.

A Rugger semi-automatic rifle valued at $90, a $20 scope and a .50 caliber pistol valued at $75 were taken. Also taken was a brown leather bag "with accessories" valued at $50.

Voelkel said he went to work about 6 a.m. January 19 and when he returned from work he found the front window broken out and the items missing.

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Deputy C. Madrigal was called to Marion Packing Company about 11:38 a.m. on a report that two witnesses saw someone throw a brick through a phone booth in the parking lot and break a night light.

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Jimmy Stephen Brewster of A-1 Hill Road called deputies January 15 to report that someone had stolen his daughter's Honda, an ATC-70 three-wheeler valued at $700.



Volunteer Fireman Brownie Brown of the Lamar Fire Department did an outstanding job of auctioning off the cakes for the 16th Annual Chili Supper and Cake Sale held Monday, January 28, at the Lamar Fire Department. It was easy to see that Captain Brown was an experienced auctioneer . . . he insisted on sampling each cake before it could be taken away. Balancing that beautiful cake in the picture is Captain Brown's helper, David McCloskey.

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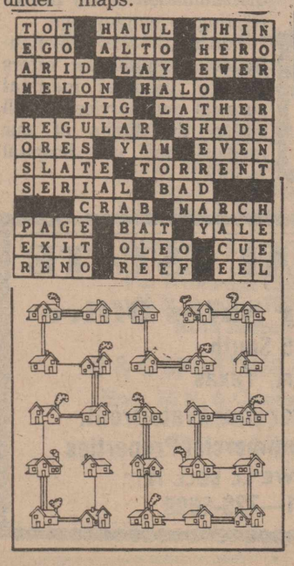
While commercial maps are sold at bookstores and newstands, sport fishing maps are often sold by local chamber of commerce, according to information researched by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Detailed county road maps also may be helpful, and are available through the Department of Highways & Public Transportation, P.O. Box 5064, Austin, Texas 78763. These maps generally cost $1 and are prepared from aerial photos which show details of lake surfaces and rivers.

Topographic maps, a favorite among avid fishermen, are available for most areas West of the Mississippi River from the federal government. Most cost only $1 and may be obtained by writing the Department of the Interior, Geological Survey, Distribution Section, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

Airports are another source of aerial maps, and these generally contain topographic features helpful to both hunters and fishermen. Most cost about $1.

Blueprint companies often sell maps or can order them from special sources. A list of local sources can usually be found in the yellow pages under "maps."



Police Report

Lucas Rodriguez, 18, of North Live Oak was placed under $103.50 personal recognizance bond on each of charges of disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Rodriguez was arrested by Rockport police about 9:55 p.m. Wednesday, January 30, in the parking lot of Rockport's Maverick Market.

Police officers Joe Hinojosa and James Tanner were called to the store by a "juvenile male" who said Rodriguez took his bike from him and threatened him.

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Jose Rosales Avendano Jr., 30, of 1120 Nopal Street was placed under $500 bond for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated following his arrest by Police Officer James Jacoby about 3 a.m. January 22.

The Rockport man was arrested at the intersection of Highway 35 and Orleans after Jacoby reported seeing his pickup weaving on the road, crossing the center stripe and running off onto the road shoulder.

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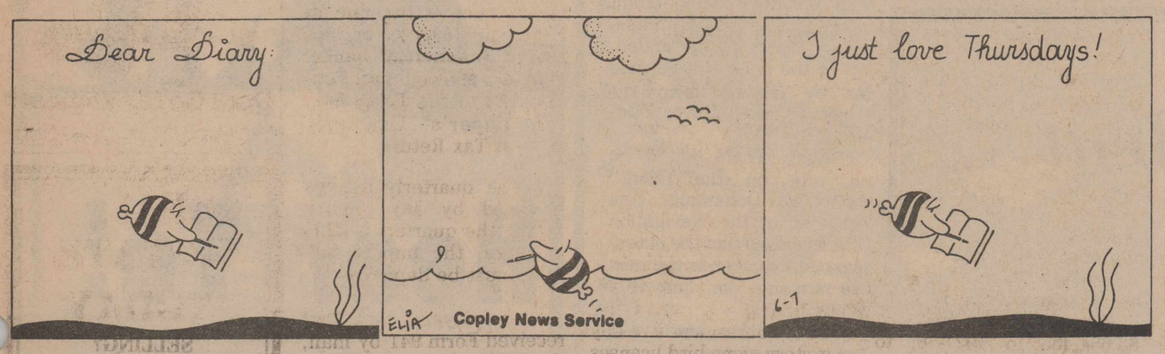
ALEX IN WONDERLAND

by Bob Cordray



PISCES

by EDDY ELIA



Wolf to friend: "Who was that lady I saw you outwit last night?"

Sizes often are deceiving. Sometime a woman's thumb has a man under it.



HAVE FUN!

By LEE BRYAN

Clancy, a rookie cop, caught a thief breaking into a jewelry store one dark night.

"Ha," Clancy said. "Caught in the act. You'll do plenty time for this, me boy!"

"Look," said the thief. "I know my rights. I want to call my lawyer. Let me go into that cigar store and call him and have him meet me at the station house!"

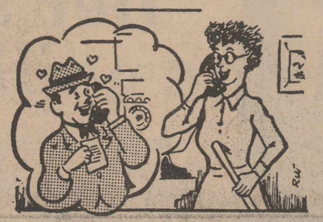


So Clancy let the thief go into the cigar store and the thief kept right on going out the back window. Clancy didn't see him until six months later when he met the little crook coming out of a jewelry store with his hands full of rings and bracelets. Clancy grabbed the loot and the looter.

"Ha," Clancy exulted. "I've got you with the goods this time. Come along with me."

"I got to call my lawyer," the crook protested as they passed a cigar store.

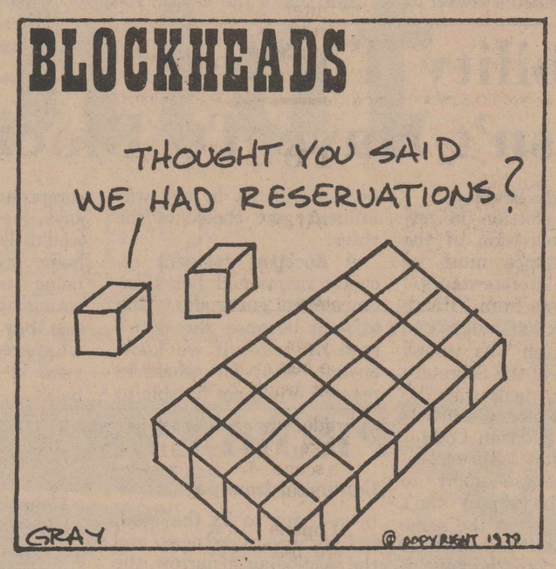
"You won't fool me this time," said Clancy. "Here. Hold these rings and bracelets and give me your lawyer's phone number. I'll call him!"



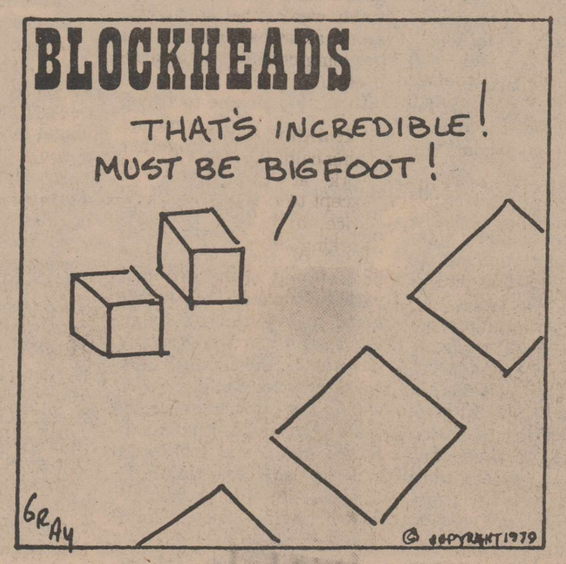
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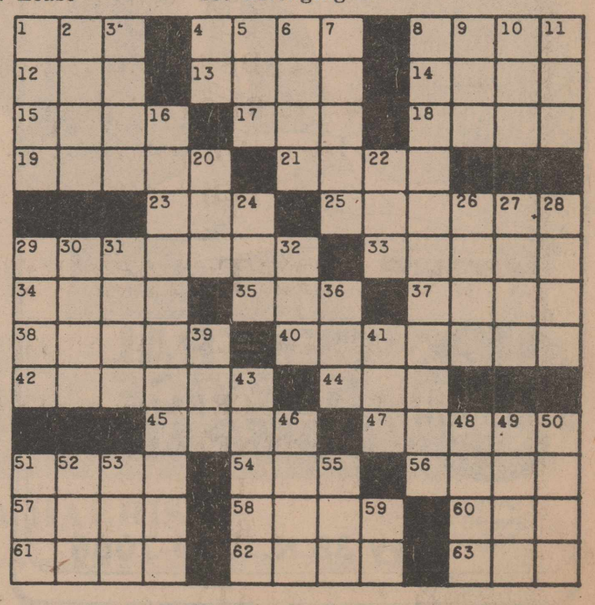
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4. Transport by truck
8. Sparse
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14. The "good guy"
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18. Water pitcher
19. Cantaloupe
21. Saintly arc
23. Irish dance
25. Beard softener
29. Well-ordered
33. Window blind
34. Raw minerals
35. Sweet potato
37. Balanced
38. Blackboard
40. Violent downpour of rain
42. Homonym of cereal
44. Evil
45. Grouchy person
47. Sousa specialty
51. Call publicly
54. Flying mammal
56. University in New Haven
57. The way out
58. Margarine
60. Pool stick
61. City in Nevada
62. Rocky shoal
63. Snakelike fish

DOWN

1. Jets or Mets
2. Hideous giant
3. Labor
4. Laugh sound
5. Everything
6. Beehive State
7. Faithful
8. Lately: 3 wds.
9. Cut down
10. Anger
11. Scandinavian land: abbr.
16. Treat fairly: 3 wds.
22. Spanish "the"
20. Nothing
24. Merry
26. Own
27. Forbidden-fruit locale
28. Lease
29. Betsy —, flagmaker
30. "Whodunit" name
31. Equipment
32. Pied Piper follower
36. Unruly crowd
39. Corn spike
41. Ewe's mate
43. Work
46. Large bundle
48. Olympic event
49. Slight bit of evidence
50. Shoe part
51. The P in MPH
52. Chopping tool
53. Cotton —
55. Golfer's aid
59. Belonging to

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by STEVE RYAN

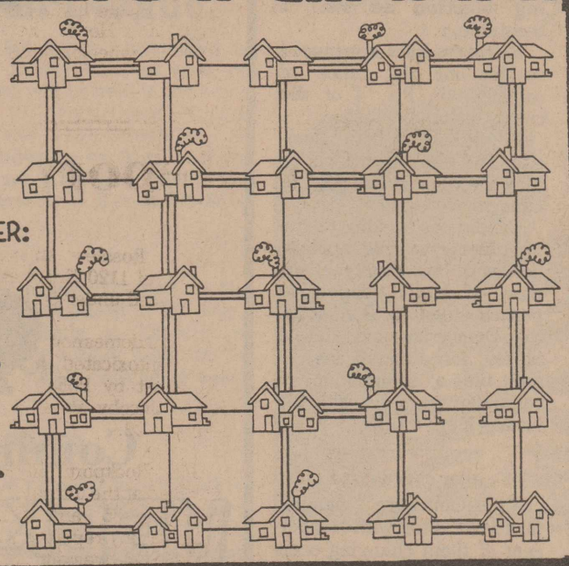
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Advice On Will— Know What You're Doing

By Pat Blair

Note: This is the conclusion of a two-part series on wills and Texas laws.

You don't need a lawyer to write a will, says Rockport attorney Lola L. Bonner — provided you know what you're doing.

But that's the catch: you have to know what you're doing.

For example, she said, a client of hers in East Texas once wrote a holographic will (a will written entirely by the decedent's own hand).

It was a legal will and it was accepted. But the man — a geologist — in making his wife executor of his estate failed to specify that she was to serve independently of court action.

The judge of the probate court in that county would not allow the widow to serve as independent executrix.

"Thus," Miss Bonner concluded, "his will and desires were frustrated" because of an oversight that he lacked the training to see.

For all practical purposes, there are only two types of wills: the formal will, prepared with the assistance of an attorney; and the holographic.

There is a third type of will, Miss Bonner said: the nuncupative or "deathbed" will which is an oral declaration made by the deceased while he or she is dying and which can be supported by three witnesses.

However, she added, this will is not accepted if the estate exceeds $30.

The safest type of will is the "formal" will prepared with an attorney's aid.

"We don't encourage holographic wills," Miss Bonner said, "unless the person making it is an attorney who knows all the 'magic' language for creating an independent executor, making full dispensation of property and providing for contingencies."

"Contingencies" for example, include providing an alternate independent executor in event the main independent executor dies.

"You can have up to four or five alternatives," Miss Bonner added. "But if you have two and they both die, then you're in trouble."

Other contingencies that should be prepared for include the death of a spouse or the death of one or more children.

Her advice on preparing a will, unless you are an attorney, is--get to an attorney, someone who knows the "magic" language and what to plan for.

Miss Bonner added she always requires an initial conference, sometimes two or more conferences, before she begins preparation on the will itself.

In addition to an attorney, the formal will also requires two witnesses and a notary public.

And having made the will it should not be tucked away in a bank vault somewhere and forgotten.

"A will should be reviewed at least every five years," Miss Bonner said. "You'd be amazed at the number of people who forgot what their wills say.

A review gives the individual an opportunity to make any changes that might be needed — to account for the death of a spouse or child, the death of an executor, a remarriage . . .

"In preparing a will, you provide for as many contingencies as possible," Miss Bonner added, "so you don't have to continually execute new wills."

The important point is to have a will that will be accepted in court.

It's the best protection you can leave your family.

Inability To Read Or Write Doesn't Have To Block Voter

By Eddie Bradley

"In any election in any political subdivision of the state, assistance must be provided to illiterate voters."

This a quote from "Handbook for Election Judges and Clerks," which was issued by the office of the Secretary of State, and deals with the implementation of Article 8.13 of the Election Code.

The term "illiterate" could of course apply to someone who simply can't read or write; but the same safeguards are provided for those who are unable to prepare a ballot due to an "inability to read the language" or some bodily infirmity which cause the voter to be "physically unable to write or to see."

The only time a voter can be given assistance in preparing a ballot is when, for whatever reason, the person is unable to read or mark the ballot.

If the voter who needs assistance desires, he or she can select any qualified voter from the same precinct to assist in the reading and/or marking of the ballot. No other persons can be present while the ballot is being prepared.

Should the voter not choose an individual to help, election officers may assist, but only in a prescribed manner. Two officers must be involved, one to assist with the ballot and one to serve as an observer.

"Before any person renders assistance," reads the handbook, "whether an election officer or someone selected by the voter," the person doing the assisting must take an oath which, in general terms, states that the assistance will be limited to answering questions and telling what is on the ballot and marking the ballot as instructed, but that the person will not in any way influence the choice of the voter.

A Rockport resident recently mentioned her hesitance about going and trying to vote because she didn't read or write. If we know anyone who, for whatever reason, would not be able to comprehend what the ballot says, or mark it as they would like, perhaps we can help prevent them from being intimidated out of voting by letting them know that they can and will receive whatever assistance they need in order to cast their ballot.

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PROBLEMS

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been trying to fix the road, but because of wetness, and the road being so narrow, the machinery has not been able to get through.

Mrs. Brown, who has an infant daughter, says her small car is being ruined, and the ruts are so deep in the road now, that it's becoming more and more difficult for anyone to travel on the road. When someone suggested she get together with her neighbors to see if everyone could pitch in to finance the road improvements, Mrs. Brown said, "Most of them live other places, and these are just vacation homes. They're not going to help pay for fixing the road when they're only here during the summer time when it's not raining. Why should I be punished because I don't have alot of money to fix the road, and I have to drive there all the time?

"Is it a county road?" asked County Judge John Wendell.

"No, sir, It's not." replied Commissioner Owens.

After checking county records, the court discovered that Little San Antonio Subdivision is not even a legal subdivision.

"We can't do anything about it," said Judge Wendell. "It would be illegal for us to try to fix a road where there's not a legal subdivision."

The court suggested that Mrs. Brown discuss the problem with the former owners, and see if something may be done with their help.

"It appears that someone divided up this land themselves, and that's an illegal subdivision. We won't accept that." said Judge Wendell.

County Attorney, James Anderson asked the Judge if he should file charges against all of these illegal subdivisions. The offense is a Class "B" Misdemeanor. Judge Wendell said he is considering the idea.

As the commissioners explained to Mrs. Brown, they would like to help her with the road problems, but in this situation, it would be illegal for the county to take action.

The subject of illegal subdivisions in Rockport has been discussed during previous meetings by the commissioners.

In other business, the commissioners were asked to consider annexation of Traylor Street, north of Harbor Oaks Subdivision. The city limits back up to the street. The reason for the request was because of the city sewer and water lines running through the street. The annexation will be discussed further in another meeting.

FULTON

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same. Rockport and Corpus Christi pays exactly the same rate.

Mr. Bryant was asked if the increase would affect the basic rate, and why they're asking for a rate increase at this time.

"The increase will be for the total bill," answered Mr. Bryant, "and the reason we are just now asking for this increase is the same reason other areas have to wait to ask for increases. We are under contract with suppliers, and when these contracts run out, and new contracts are made, rates are adjusted."

When asked why C.P. and L. had not been advertising as they usually did, Mr. Bryant replied, "This fall there was no advertising done, but when there is, it's only to inform the public on how to save money through their utility bills."

Mayor Casterline asked what would happen to the resident's of Fulton's gas bills if the resolution was not passed.

"If the resolution is not passed, and the deadline for a decision is February 4, the original rate that C.P.&L. stated in October would be automatically put into effect." said Mr. Bryant.

The original rate quoted to Fulton in October was higher than the proposed new rate increase.

After close scrutiny by the council, Mr. Metzger moved that the council accept the rate increase. The resolution passed with unanimous vote by the council.

Hillis Dominguez of the Navigation District has proposed the extension of the Fulton Harbor. Mr. Dominguez said they are waiting for sketches on the extension which would extend north of the harbor, and "everything looks good".

The Coastal Bend Council of Governments said the extension is very feasible with revenue bonds. Grant money does not look promising at this point, he added.

"So the bond will be paid for by income from the project?" asked Mayor Casterline.

"Right. There would be no vote on the bond." replied Mr. Dominguez. Ken Faulkner of the Navigation District added that the extension could happen in the next 12 months, or possibly sooner.

The extension would add some beach area to the harbor and allow more room for commercial and pleasure boat facilities.

Mayor Casterline added, "It will double the size of the harbor, and it's a good idea."

The council unanimously agreed to support the resolution made by the Navigation District to expand the harbor. The sketches should be available at the next council meeting.

The election of officers in Fulton has been set for April 5. Applications must be filed between February 4 and March 5.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the City of Fulton for the street signs being made, should make it payable to The City of Fulton, Box 1130 in Fulton. The signs will cost approximately $25 each.

Council members Kathryn McLester and Pat Loflin have been chosen to assign the house numbers to Fulton residents.



Bev's Beat

By Beverly Wilken

I'm never the "first" to do anything. No matter what I strike out to do---someone else has thought of it "first".

My older brother lost his "first" tooth "first"---three days before he kicked me in the mouth and knocked out my front tooth while I was holding a football for him to kick. Nancy Holmes was the "first" in class to have a boyfriend, and my sister was the "first" in the family to get her big toe stuck in the bathtub faucet.

Last week I had a severe case of the "I've-never-been-first-at-anything's". Sitting at the kitchen table feeling sorry for myself, my husband came home from work.

"Hi, Honey!" He proclaimed. "I've got some great news for you, but first . . . . . "

"AGH!" I screamed, throwing my hands over my ears. "I don't want to hear that word again!"

"What word, honey? What word are you . . . oh no. Oh no. Not. . . not. . . " I nodded solemnly.

He took a deep breath and sat down beside me. "Let's talk about it."

"There's nothing to talk about," I signed. "I'll never be "first" at anything, and we both know it, so there's nothing we can do."

"Sure there is. We've been through this before, and we can get through it again! Now, fir. . . er, I mean to begin with, we have to decide on something you can be "first" at."

"Oh, I don't think . . ."

"IT'S GOING TO WORK!" He assured me. "Now, let's see. What could you be first at?"

"Well . . . " I began. "I could be the first woman to parachute out of a plane and land on Mt. Rushmore!"

He shook his head. "Lois Myerson, September 6, 1962.

"Oh. Well, I have always liked Oreos. Hey! I could be the very first person to shove a whole box of Oreo's in my mouth at the same time!" My eyes lit up.

"Do you really want to be remembered as the first person who shoved a bunch of cookies in their mouth? That's not just real feminine, if you get my drift."

"Maybe you're right, sweetheart. Well, do you want to try for Quadruplets? No one in my whole family has even had more than twins!"

He cringed. "Too severe."

"Well, then. How about . . . I've got it! I've always wanted to live on a coffee bean plantation and . . . "

"We don't drink coffee."

"So. That doesn't stop Mrs. Olsen, does it? I could be the first woman to own a coffee bean plantation and . . . "

"We're getting out of hand here. Do you honestly want to move to Brazil?"

"Well, if it's good enough for Ricardo Montalban . . . "

"Oh, for heaven's sake . . . "

Ok, maybe you're right. But can you think of anything that I could be "first" at without embarassing the family name or having to sell our house?"

"Not off hand, dear. But don't you worry . . . we'll think of . . . Bev? Where are you going?"

When I returned he was waiting just where I'd left him. Spotting the sack in my hand, he shook his head. "Decided to go the Oreo route, huh?"

I nodded. "Better to be "first" at something unfeminine, than never to be "first" at all." I rationalized.

He shook his head again and sighed. "Why couldn't I just have a wife who tries to be the "first" on the block with a trash compactor, like other wives?"

DANCE

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ACMSI by Jane Turner. The doll house, a copy of the T.N. Smith home in Rockport, will be given away during intermission, about 10 p.m.

The dance will start at 8 p.m. and donations are $12 per person which guarantees plenty of food, plenty to drink and plenty of music provided by the Edie Crockett Quartet.

Vi Street is general chairman of the dance, and Joann Haskell is chairman of the decorating committee. Other members of the decorating committee are Pat Evers and Eileen Harrison.

CITY

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any other reason listed in the election code.

Reasons for disqualification include mental incompetence, conviction of a felony, "failure to obtain discharge for public money" or "effect of holding another office."

Candidates seeking election as aldermen from one of Rockport's two wards must reside in the ward they seek to represent.

Permit Requests

Application has been made to the Army Corps of Engineer for the following permits:

Redfish Bay Terminals Inc. of Aransas pass for an amendment to an existing permit to expand a basin and construct a bulkhead around the basin for a fuel docking facility in the Gulf Intracoastal Water approximately two miles southwest of Aransas Pass. Amendment would allow for dredging of an additional 50,000 cubic yards of material. Comments must be submitted on or before February 22.

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Saber Refining Company of Houston for an amendment to an existing permit for work in the Corpus Christi Ship Channel, in Tule Lake Channel approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Corpus Christi. Amendment would relocate the disposal area to a site approximately 1000 feet southwest of the original site. Comments must be submitted on or before February 25.

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Comments on all projects must be submitted to the District Engineer, P.O. Box 1229, Galveston, Texas 77553.

COUNTY

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Jim Pridgen challenging incumbent Bob Hewes on the Democratic ticket.

Remaining candidates, all running in the Democratic primaries, includes Mrs. Allena Jones seeking reelection as county tax assessor-collector; I.E. "Buddy" McLester running for constable, Pct. 3; and John H. Ray Jr. seeking the office of constable, Pct. 2.

Leslie C. Sorenson is seeking election as Pct. 1 constable.

No takers have announced so far for the office of constable in Pct. 4 or the county attorney's office.

Primaries for both Demcrats and Republicans will be May 3 with runoff election in June if necessary.

Candidates seeking to run for office must file application with the county chairman of their respective parties — Lola L. Bonner for the Democrats and Harold Shirey for Republicans — and file a designation of campaign treasurer with the county clerk's office.

JOB CHANGES

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Early Worship Service

The First Presbyterian Church, located at Live Oak and Laurel Streets in Rockport, will have an early worship service Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in addition to their 11 a.m. worship. Any visitors are welcome to attend both services.

Iowa Reunion

The Iowa Reunion will be held at the Paws & Taws Building on Fulton Beach Road on Wednesday, February 6, starting at Noon. Committees have been named by Iowa reunion president, Mrs. Fred Luber. A program is planned. Anyone from Iowa is invited to attend the pot luck dinner. Bring your own covered dish, table service, and coffee or tea.

Copano Shrine Meets

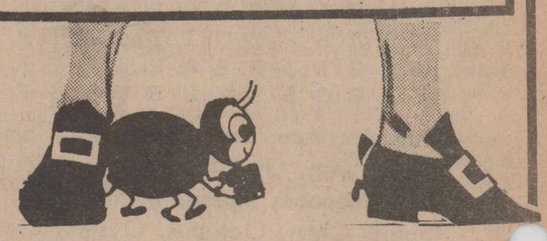
The new Copano Shrine Club will meet Wednesday, February 6, at the Rockport Racquet Club Bay House Restaurant. Social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:30 p.m. Visiting nobles and their ladies are invited to the meeting. For reservations, call Dave Gruber, 729-6688.

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