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Notable Notes

Swine Flu Clinic

Sandra Garrett, Public Health Clinic Director, Region 10, reports that only 2,000 of the 8,000 eligible for free swine flu immunization shots have received their vaccinations, a poor performance considering that the harsh weather makes flu more likely than ever to occur. The clinic still has limited amounts of vaccine for children and young adults ages 3-18. Mrs. Garrett notes that a booster shot is needed for persons under 24 within one month of the original vaccination. The clinic will give flu shots for the last time from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2. The clinic is located at 310 N. Pearl.

RFTA Game Night

Monday night is game night at the Rockport-Fulton Tourist Association Recreation Center on Airport Road. Games begin at 7 p.m. Every Wednesday night there is a pot luck supper beginning at 6:30. Interesting programs and varied entertainment round out the dinner evenings. All tourist activities are planned with an eye toward fun and relaxation. Everyone is invited.

Revival Meeting

Calvary Baptist Church, 123 S. Doughty, will conduct a series of revival meetings Dec. 2 through 5. The evangelist will be R. Hudson Hogg, pastor of First Baptist Church, Refugio. Rev. Hogg, a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, has been pastor of the Refugio church since 1963, and has pastored churches in Jarrell and Nixon, Texas, as well. The Dec. 2-4 meetings will be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4 is Youth Night. The Dec. 5 meeting will begin at 10:50 a.m. A nursery will be provided for all services.

Church Bazaar

St. Peter's Episcopal Church will hold its Country Store and Bazaar Dec. 3 and 4 at 902 Mimosa, Rockport. The event will begin with a Mexican meal from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at 412 N. Live Oak. After lunch, St. Peter's will put its "Heavenly Hot Tamales" on sale through Dec. 3 and 4, if they last. Bazaar items will include stuffed toys, pillows, Christmas gifts, starter plants, jams and jellies, cakes and pies and cookies.

Queen Contest

The local LULAC Youth Council is now accepting applications from local girls ages 13 through 17 to compete in its 1977 Valentine Queen Contest. The contest will be decided by the penny-a-vote method. The queen will be selected in February, and will represent the club at local functions. The queen will also be eligible for competition in the state sweetheart contest in May and the national LULAC Youth Sweetheart contest in June in Los Angeles, California.

Copanoakers' Bazaar

The Copanoakers Ladies' Club is planning to hold a bazaar in the Lee Miller Recreation Center Dec. 4. The club will have a "White Elephant" table, baked goods, jellies, a green room with plants, the bow-tie quilt and various craft items.

Tell A Friend

For the second year, the Rockport Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the "Tell a Friend" program. The program gives winter visitors a chance to win a cash prize, and lets his friends back home receive printed information about the Rockport area. The contest runs from December through February. Entry blanks and details are available at the Chamber office.

Box Top Redemption

The Rockport United Church Women are collecting Post cereal box tops for redemption for playground equipment for the ABC Learning Center. The company's offer is good until March 31, 1977, so save your tops now and then and turn them in to any women's church group in Rockport. They'll go into a central fund and be redeemed when there are enough to get the needed equipment.

Tourist Party

The Woman's Club of Aransas County sponsors weekly card parties for tourist ladies each Monday from November through March. The parties begin at 1:30 p.m. at the club building across from city hall. Everyone is invited.

ACHV Bazaar

The Aransas County Hospital Volunteers, Inc. will hold their Annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday, Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 5 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Paws and Taws building on Fulton Beach Road. Gifts, decorations, handcrafts, plants and bakery goods will be featured. Hot dogs, chili dogs and baked goods will be sold as well as coffee, soft drinks and beer. The proceeds will benefit the group's hospital fund.

Bazaar, Yard Sale

The Friendship Club of the Mobile Inn Trailer Park is sponsoring a bazaar, yard and bake sale Saturday, Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The trailer park is located on Hwy. 35 North, and there will be free coffee for browsers and buyers.

SS Representative

A representative of the Social Security Administration will be at the Courthouse in Rockport on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 9 a.m. The representative will answer questions and also will help claimants file applications for the regular Social Security benefit payments as well as for Supplemental Security Income benefits.

Band Boosters

All parents of students in the Rockport-Fulton Junior and Senior High School bands are eligible for membership in the Band Boosters organization, and are urged to take part in the group's activities on behalf of the students and the band directors. The next Band Boosters meeting is Monday, Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Band Hall.

Young Homemakers

The Aransas County Young Homemakers will hold their regular monthly meeting Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. in the home of Mary Lou Tiner, 1411 Pine Avenue. The program for the evening will be "Christmas Crafts," presented by Darlene Sawyer and Cathy Huffmeyer. In place of refreshments there will be a "Tasting Bee." Each member should bring a sample of her favorite holiday dish and copies of the recipe.

Book Fair

Fulton Elementary School will sponsor a book fair Dec. 7-9 in the library during school hours. The public is invited and parents are urged to come by in the afternoon. The fair is designed to increase student interest in reading and building home libraries. Books in all interest areas will be available in all price ranges.



SANTA LETTERS. This Christmas The Pilot will be taking letters from local children who've managed to be good during the past year. We'll publish them in our special Christmas edition, then forward them to Santa Claus himself via special North Pole Express Mail. So kids should just come right out and say what they want in their own words, and mail their letters to Santa Claus, c/o The Rockport Pilot, P.O. Box 608, Rockport, Texas 78382. Or bring them by The Pilot office at 1002 Wharf Street and deposit them personally in our special Santa Mail Box, which is what these Christmas hopefuls from the ABC Learning Center are doing. L to R are Sherry Naquin, Angie Huffmeyer, Patty Corpus and Jeffrey Shaw.

Oil Company Agrees To Change Site Plans

Representatives from Houston Oil and Minerals Corporation agreed Wednesday, Nov. 24 to seek an alternative site for three oil and gas wells and a separation station.

The company had previously planned to build the separation station and drill the wells on 4.6 acres of land between the Rockport Cemetery and the Surfside Motel.

That plan, however, ran into strong opposition from homeowners in the nearby Harbor Oaks and Little Bay Shores subdivisions, from community leaders like Mayor Walter Falk and property owners whose objections would have made it impossible for the company to obtain right-of-way for a pipeline from the site down Fulton Beach Road-Broadway.

The meeting, held at First National Bank, was set up by Tom Rogers of Rockport, who owns property along the pipeline route and was opposed to the project.

Rogers brought Mayor Falk, James H. Sorenson, Jr., Emory Spencer, Jim Hutt, Navigation District Commission Chairman David McGuglin and Assistant County Attorney Reese Rozzell together for the discussion with Houston Oil representatives Executive Vice-President Fred Benton, Production Manager Sam Bradshaw, General Counsel David Gooch and Project Engineer Roy Ashworth.

The meeting lasted one and one half hours, and company representatives did little talking, preferring instead to listen to the summary of community opposition and proposals for alternative sites.

Mayor Falk called the meeting "very amicable." He said it "achieved its purpose. We mutually agreed to a change in plans. They were very conciliatory. They said they felt like things got out of hand. They didn't realize the temper of the people in regards to the site."

After the meeting at First National, the company representatives accepted an offer from Emory Spencer to go to his office and look over local maps for the purpose of researching alternative sites.

The meeting with Spencer did not result in the choice of an alternative site for either the pipeline or the drilling site. General Counsel David Gooch said there had simply not been enough time for a decision as of

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PUC Opens CPL Hearing

The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is so far conducting itself like the efficient and hard-nosed regulatory agency it was designed to be.

The Commission has moved with dazzling speed in its hearing of Southwestern Bell's $298.3 million rate increase request. And to the delight of consumers, has proposed an increase approximately one-tenth the size of the increase asked by the company. Bell's increase covers all types of phone services, and would cost area users $30-50,000 if approved intact.

The Commission is currently preparing a judgment in the Bell case, and expects to deliver its decision on or about Dec. 15.

In the meantime, the Commission has taken up the rate increases proposed and in some cases already imposed by Central Power and Light (CP&L).

The Commission aligned parties for the CP&L case Nov. 29 at a final trial hearing. The Fair Electric Rate Group, headed by a board composed of Aransas County rural users, has been named an intervenor in the suit, and will have the right to cross examine the seven witnesses scheduled for presentation by CP&L.

The city of Rockport also has intervenor status in the rate dispute through a tri-regional committee of the Texas Municipal League (TML).

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Citizen's Report Leads Police To Theft Suspects

Four San Antonio men were arrested and charged with theft by Rockport police officers in Floresville Wednesday morning, Nov. 24 less than 12 hours after a citizen saw four men take several stone statues from in front of Wagley Lumber Yard on North Highway 35 in Rockport.

Arrested were Jimmy Martin Solis, 41; Daniel De Laluz, 47; Cepriana Rangel Flores, 36; and Emilo Luna Gil, 34. All are being held under $1,000 bonds in the Aransas County jail.

A citizen spotted suspects in the lumber yard approximately 7:50 p.m. Tuesday, and reported the theft at 7:55 p.m. to the Rockport police. The citizen was able to give a description of the car and a license plate number. After it was determined that the suspects had left the area, an all points bulletin went out on the police teletype at 8:08 p.m.

At approximately 2 a.m., the Floresville Police Department called the Rockport PD with notification that suspects were in custody. Officers from the police department drove to Floresville after receiving the call, and by 8 a.m. Wednesday morning, the four men were in the Aransas County jail.

13 Sentenced In District Court

Calvin Eugene Barnhill was sentenced to seven years in TDC last week after pleading guilty to a theft charge in Judge John Miller's 36th District Court.

Thomas Key, who pleaded guilty to a charge of aggravated robbery, was sentenced to five years in TDC.

In the only jury trial held in Miller's court, Tomas Garza was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and sentenced to five years probation, a fine of $1,000 and court costs. Garza was found guilty by an 11 member jury after one of the sworn jurors became ill before

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Hung By The Counter With Care

Decorations aren't the only thing that gets hung at Christmas, and local merchants are advised to be on the lookout for hot checks.

Justice of the Peace Roy Hinton says his court has handled 75 hot checks in the last month, and is urging extra caution on the part of all businessmen during the upcoming Christmas shopping rush.

Hot checks were formerly turned over to the County Attorney for prosecution, but JP courts are now handling the cases, and reminds shoppers it is a criminal offense to have a check returned for whatever reason.

Hinton says the county has had good success getting restitution from all offenders if positive identification can be made.

County Okays Court Aide

Aransas County Commissioners did an about face during their Wednesday, Nov. 24 meeting and approved Judge Rachael Littlejohn's application to the Texas Criminal Justice Division for a grant to hire a court coordinator.

Judge Littlejohn's request first came up at the court's Nov. 8 meeting, and was denied when Commissioner Charlie Hale's motion to approve died for lack of a second.

Wednesday, Judge Littlejohn appeared before the court to plead her case. She presented commissioners with statistics reflecting a steady increase in case loads for the 36th and 156th district courts combined. The majority of criminal cases are handled by 36th District Judge John Miller, but Judge Littlejohn's civil case load almost doubled between 1973 and 1975, from 105 cases to 189.

Coupled with the large volume of telephone calls and correspondence, the load frequently overwhelms the judge and her court reporter. On her last visit to Rockport, the Judge hired a freelance clerical worker for $60 per day plus travelling expenses. The county pays for such services, and although the Judge says she has avoided hiring such personnel unless it proved absolutely necessary, she told commissioners that the work load would continue to increase, and that more hiring would be a necessity.

As the judge pointed out, the program would be free of charge for the first year, and would be up for review at 12 month intervals. The total cost would be $14,003, including equipment, according to the Judge's proposal figures, and the worker would be stationed in Beeville, the only courthouse with available office space.

Commissioners, however, again let Commissioner Hale's motion to approve die for lack of a second. When quizzed by Judge Littlejohn on their reasons for refusal, Commissioners Ray Longino and Erie Eller both stated that once the county takes on such a grant proposal, it would be impos-

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"Tourist Of The Week"

Iowa Tourists Are 'Into The Fishing End Of It'

Jim and Jan Macy are retired farmers from Liscomb, Iowa spending their second winter in Rockport.

They left their corn and bean farm nineteen months ago and have only been back once for a short stay. But they don't mind not seeing home. They've followed the "Sunshine Trail" since they left. They summered in Leech Lake, Minnesota, fishing and boating and enjoying their new trailer, a "fifth-wheel" Winnebago.

They first came to Rockport on the advice of a relative, spent a month in the area and liked the people, the scenery and the fish.

The Macys find they like the same things, and that they also have a chance to indulge in a little beachcombing for sandollars and baby ears and the like.

The water is their first love, and they've spent most of the good weather days in the bays or offshore fishing for trout and other game fish. "One of our big thrills when we first came was catching flounders, because we hadn't seen one before," says Jan. "Most of the other fish are new to us, too,

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Jim and Jan Macy

Pirates: Perfect So Far

The Pirate Varsity boys' basketball team is off to its best start in Coach Bobby Flanagan's tenure as head coach, but the 5-0 record won't be going to anyone's head.

The schedule got very tough very quickly Tuesday night against Port Lavaca, a game Flanagan said would tell him more about his team's true standing than any other of the five opening games.

If they get past Port Lavaca, it should be smooth sailing for at least one more game. The Pirates meet lowly Bishop Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the opening round of the Taft Tournament (The outcome of the Gregory-Portland playoff game could change the game time to Friday evening, so check before you drive to Taft.) A win over the Badgers would put Rockport into the breech against the winner of the Calallen-Refugio game Saturday at 2:30 p.m. The upper bracket of the Taft Tourney includes district foes Beeville and Gregory-Portland, and Rockport could meet one or the other for the championship.

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Weather Report

Date	Hi.	Lo.	Prec.	Bar.
Nov. 23	62	52	.00	30.32
Nov. 24	63	56	.07	30.30
Nov. 25	64	59	.09	30.12
Nov. 26	71	61	.05	29.30
Nov. 27	64	47	.00	29.82
Nov. 28	47	28	1.04	30.16
Nov. 29	45	29	.24	30.48

Pilot Sightings

CHARLES ANKELE, owner of ANKELE's HARDWARE, still in the hospital but off the critical list after open heart surgery Wednesday, Nov. 17...**MR. AND MRS. JOHN L. LESLIE** attended a Houston reunion of Sam Houston Area Council Boy Scout "Silver Beaver" community service award winners...**MR. AND MRS. LEON BARBER**, and sons **MIKE AND ROBERT** of La Porte; **MRS. JOYCE PASSMORE and son ALAN** of Aransas Pass; **MRS. DORIS CLOYD and JESSE ROSS of ROCKPORT** were all guests of the **JIM BARBERS** during the holidays...**MR. and MRS. BOB LITTLE and REAGAN, MR. and MRS. PAT SMITH, KATHY and BOB, MR. COTTON WALTERS, MRS. TED LITTLE, MISS BARBIE MOSIER, and MR. CURTIS OLIVER** celebrated **THANKSGIVING** with a houseparty at the **AGARITA RANCH** near **REGAN WELLS** in the **TEXAS HILL COUNTRY**. Out of town guests included **MRS. I.O. KOELLE, MISSION; MR.** and **MRS. D.W. KOELLE, MISS SUZI KOELLE** and **MISS KATHY TRUSSELL**, all of **MCALLEN; MRS. ALDA CHESNUT, MISSION; MRS. VAN PROLL, SAN ANTONIO; MR. RULLESS LITTLE, MR. BILL SMITH and MR. BRUCE BERLIN** all of **AUSTIN; MR. RICHARD LITTLE, HOUSTON; MR. DARRELL WALTERS, GOLIAD;** and **MR. KARL KUECKER, CUERO....**

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Editorial

Shop At Home

The Christmas countdown has begun, and there is no better time to remind prospective buyers about the benefits of shopping close to home.

Nationwide studies have shown that the average dollar changes hands 11 times between the time it first enters a community and the time it leaves.

Each dollar spent in Rockport then is recycled again and again through employers and employees, each time adding to the sales volume, the potential job market and the source of tax revenue for the city, school and county.

But aside from the financial benefits, which may seem intangible when the Christmas fever is running high, there are more direct personal benefits. Service, for example. In Rockport, Christmas crowds will be insignificant compared to the mile a minute malls that run neck and neck with casinos in the hysteria race. And as a result, the service you will receive will be far more attentive than what you would receive almost anywhere else. In fact, in a town this size, there's a good chance the sales clerk will also be a friend or acquaintance.

Returnability is also a question. When that wagon comes up with three wheels, or that chemistry set explodes, or that any-child-could-do-it doll house proves your undoing, you can take it back and get a new one.

And, considering the price of gas, the value of anyone's time and the constant danger of the highways, it's cheaper and wiser to stay close to home, where a phone call can tell you who has what and when. If they don't have it, they'll order it, as they say. So stay close to home--do your feet, and your pocketbook, a favor.



Will he be in time?

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Let us consider what the pipe line and separation unit seems to mean to the average citizen of Rockport as proposed by a certain oil company of Houston.

First: As I understand it this pipe line and the associated unit will operate with pressures of up to 800 pounds pressure and possibly in excess of that.

Have you seen what that can do if it should explode? Have not you seen it a time or two off Key Allegro and surrounding areas in Aransas Bay?

I have! And have seen flames shooting many hundreds of feet in the air through the water and felt the heat from the explosion a mile or so away from it. What would that do to a confined area such as Little Bay or Rockport and Key Allegro in general? And think what it might do to Harbor Oaks and its new condominium units.

We have a beautiful community with a healthy economy here in Rockport and it is inconceivable that it should be in any measure sacrificed to the grasping of any large corporation from outside our community. Could it be that certain local interests are also looking for the ready buck?

I hope not. I cannot help but think that any true citizen of our town would abhor this attempt to move in and endanger the lives of people of our community.

There has been comment that the ever lovin' oil company will cut our taxes. Let us not fool ourselves. Any temporary savings made can swiftly be lost by depreciation of surrounding properties and upping of insurance policies.

I have learned to think highly of Rockport and its citizenry in the last four years that I have resided here and deplore any rip off of my friends here. That is what I feel that this move is.

Sincerely Yours,
Carl O. Wood

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America's Energy Crisis; How To Avoid Solutions

One of the foremost problems facing America is energy, and the growing lack of it. Americans saw the Arab Oil Embargo as a temporary crisis, instead of an ominous warning, and continuing public apathy and indifference to our energy problems has allowed both the congress and the executive branch to ignore long range energy planning

And now the trend, as could be expected, has turned to reckless hedonism. The Federal Highway Administration announced recently that Americans will burn more gasoline in 1976 than any year in history.

This in spite of the increase in the number of smaller cars, the 55 mph speed limit, and a governmental and media campaign to conserve fuel.

Now, incredibly, the major manufacturers are having trouble selling the smaller, more fuel efficient cars. This choice all but forces them to produce what the customer wants, a larger car, thus making it impossible to meet federal anti-pollution control requirements for 1978, to produce a radically different auto engine, and achieve the 25-30 miles per gallon average which must be achieved to battle both rising fuel costs and fuel availability.

To fuel the increased automotive consumption, the U.S. now imports 40 per cent of its oil, much of it from the Middle East, where the petroleum cartel countries are now considering a price increase that is expected to be 10 per cent, but could be more.

Our imports from African countries have increased an astonishing 1,444 per cent since the embargo, and we are having to pay for our dependency through foreign policy. President Ford recently approved massive arms sales to the military dictatorship in Sudan, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has had to take an admirably active but suspiciously U.S. serving role in Rhodesia. We have fought for Angola and have operatives in most other African countries. This activity is to prevent communist takeover, certainly, but also to prevent the further deterioration of U.S. influence, perhaps U.S. control in oil rich areas or buffer states. The energy problem then has profound effects on other facets of government, as well as the domestic repercussions.

Instead of positive action, the Congress is certain to consider divestiture by major companies to "encourage competition." This is not simply the wrong time for such legislation, it is the wrong legislation all together. Without a coherent energy policy, the country would hardly be better off with more of the same.

Oil and natural gas production should be encouraged, not threatened. If enough incentives can be passed to boost production levels, then divestiture would become a high priority, but as of now, it is simply a piece of procrastination.

The problem is related in most ways to the cost of exploration, and to the rising cost of alternative forms of energy. Technology has lagged in the fields of solar, nuclear and bio-conversion. We are left for the time being with oil, gas and coal.

Coal could be for the U.S. what oil is for the Middle East, a marketable resource of awesome power. But already the management structure has gone to work, emulating the worst of the Arab manipulations.

A Rand Corporation research report recently stated that Federal intervention might be needed to keep coal-rich northern Great Plains states from overtaxing their coal resources. Montana now taxes at 30 per cent of the average mine mouth price. Other states add taxes on electricity and production from coal-gas conversion plants.

Such levies have the potential to create through a different set of circumstances, the problems of supply and price which now effect and threaten the natural gas industry. Before one regulation is achieved, the country seems determined to achieve chaos in still another vital area.

The U.S. could take lessons from Daniel K. Ludwig, a billionaire who has created a self sufficient city in the Amazon jungle. "Mr. Ludwig doesn't believe in wasting time on research and doubt," an associate says. So we make mistakes, but we move so fast they don't matter." The U.S. can afford mistakes, but it cannot afford paralysis.

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Lt. Governor's Report

By Bill Hobby

A bill introduced in the last Congress would establish a national economic planning agency with a list of goals like full employment, price stability, balanced economic growth, an equitable distribution of income, and the efficient utilization of both private and public resources. This is a bill that clearly promises all things to all people.

The device to achieve these laudable goals would be a National Economic Planning Board in the Executive Office of the President. The Board would develop a plan which would (1) establish national economic objectives, (2) identify the resources required to meet those objectives, and (3) recommend legislative and administrative actions necessary to achieve the objectives.

How the agency goes about doing all of this is not entirely clear, but you can be sure that like any agency of government, it would search out and find some way to make an impact, good or bad, on national economic policy.

We've had enough experience with Federal Regulation to know that serious waste is created by market distortions that show up in every segment of the economy which is heavily regulated.

The present thrust toward national economic planning is the latest in a long series of efforts by the Federal government to regulate the free enterprise system of this nation.

Although well-meaning, the call to national economic planning strikes at the very heart of the ability of the American people to exercise their right to buy and sell with relatively little restraint in the marketplace.

In 1976, the Federal government will spend three billion dollars in the direct regulation of business activity to support a regulatory work force in excess of 74,000 government employees.

But no realistic evaluation of these agencies will confirm that sensible decisions are being made that serve the best interest of society. Instead, we find waste, bias, concentration on trivia, conflicts among the regulations and worst of all, arbitrary and uncontrolled power.

Frequently, a business will be caught between the rulings of two or more government agencies. For example, federal food standards require meat - packing plants to be kept clean and sanitary, surfaces which are most easily cleaned are usually tile or stainless steel. However, these reflect a lot of noise and may not meet noise standards of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

The advocates of national planning argue that we need a government buffer against free market distortions. I contend that we need a buffer against government disruption of the free market system--a system that has enabled this nation to achieve a standard of living so high that we can afford to define poverty at a level equal to the average income of the most planned economy in the world--the Soviet Union.

We need strong leadership from Washington but not in the form of government intervention in the economy. We need market price incentives, not political directives.

The Consumer Alert

By John L. Hill
Attorney General

A swindle involving a fraudulent mobile home purchasing scheme has resulted in as many as 100 mobile home thefts in Texas recently.

Our Labor Division, which handles consumer mobile home complaints, and the Department of Public Safety's Motor Vehicle Theft Division have been working to see that mobile home owners and purchasers are aware of this swindle.

Here's how it works: The swindlers scan newspaper want ads to find individuals who are offering mobile homes for sale. They contact the seller, then one person goes to see the mobile home. If it's fairly new and in good condition, he offers to assume the monthly payments to the mortgage company or bank that financed the purchase for the original owner, or to make monthly cash payments to the owner.

Reports indicate that the swindler may even use a "sob story" to get the mobile home owner to believe he has a legitimate reason to make a very quick purchase. In one case, the swindler stated that his child had died, and he and his wife wanted to leave their home and its memories as soon as possible.

The "purchaser" then talks the owner into accepting from $50 to $500 in cash equity and signing an "assumption" or "transfer" agreement. Coupled with a "manufacturer's statement of origin," which the swindler later prints up and takes to the county courthouse, this "assumption" or "transfer" agreement will allow the "purchaser" to get a certificate of title.

The "purchaser" may have the mobile home towed away the same day or a day later. His next step is to sell the mobile home quickly, in another part of the State, at what seems to be a bargain price. Typically the unsuspecting second buyer may be a hunter who wants shelter at a deer lease, someone who wants a home for a lake lot, or perhaps even a second-hand mobile home dealer.

The "purchaser" may make one or two monthly payments to the bank or finance company holding the note on the mobile home, so the original seller thinks all is well. He'll change his mind the next month or so, though, when the bank or finance company contacts him about a delinquent note that must be settled immediately. The original owner then ends up with responsibility for paying off a note on a mobile home he no longer has.

How do you avoid being a possible victim of such swindlers? Here are some suggestions from our Labor Division and D.P.S.'s Motor Vehicle Theft Division:

--Always be cautious in money matters when dealing with a stranger.

--If you're selling a mobile home and are approached by a potential buyer with a proposal similar to the one described, always contact the bank or finance company holding the lien to make sure the arrangements are all right.

--If you're buying a mobile home from an individual, check to make sure the registration number on the title is the same as the one on the mobile home. You can call Texas Department of Labor and Standards Mobile Home Division to learn where the number is located on the mobile home.

--If anything in the buying or selling process seems out of the ordinary, report it to our Labor Divsion or the D.P.S. You might keep yourself or someone else from being victimized.

State Of The Region

By Juliet K. Wenger
Coastal Bend Council of Gov.

A new tax code for the State of Texas will be considered by the legislature when it convenes in January. Residents of South Texas will have three opportunities to express themselves on proposals at public hearings to be conducted in December by State Representative Leroy Wieting of Portland.

A hearing will be held Dec. 14 at Victoria Junior College, Dec. 15 at Expositon Hall in Corpus Christi, and Dec. 16 at Harlingen Municipal Building, each starting at 2 p.m. With Wieting at the hearings will be representatives of the Farm Bureau, school tax offices, and the Texas Research Council, which relates to private business.

Work has been underway for several years on updating the tax code. An interim committee of two senators and three representatives, including Wieting, has worked intensively this summer and fall. They have reviewed all previous tax studies. Their proposal would bring together in one bill laws pertaining to taxes on real, personal, tangible and intangible property.

Wieting said the changes proposed are carefully contained within constitutional limitations, which he describes as keeping us on a tight course. The interim committee will put its proposals in final form at a meeting late in November.

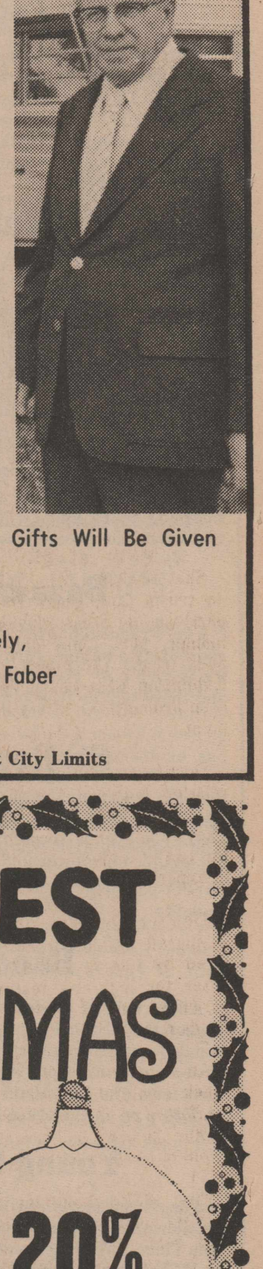
The major change proposed will be one appraisal of all propety in each county. This appraisal would establish the actual market value of property. Then the individual taxing units for the county, city, schools, or special district will set the percentage of valuation on which it taxes as well as the rate, as these units do now. These units can continue to function individually or contract with one another for joint operations, which some already do.

Wieting emphasized that this will not take any authority away from the local governmental unit in determining its tax rate and revenues. But it will mean that on the rolls of each governmental entity, the property will be shown to have the same valuation. Appraisers would be licensed to establish their qualifications, and the forms on which appraisals are made would be standardized across the state. Wieting said this would not require any local unit to tax any specific personal or intangible property.

The proposed code would establish a tax board in each county and a state tax board. These boards would not remove any authority from equalization boards made up of county commissioners and of citizens appointed by city councils and school boards. The new boards would exist to hear appeals. If the owner considered the valuation placed on his property to be inequitable he could appeal to the county board, and if he did not obtain relief there, to the state board.

After the three hearings are held in South Texas, and others in different parts of the state, the interim committee will make any changes called for by information submitted in the hearings.

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KOA Campers Celebrate Thanksgiving

The local KOA Campground served up a feast prepared by cooks from 20 states and Canada to residents and overnighters on Thanksgiving Day.

Diners included Virgil and Mildred Clough, Kansas; Walter and Inez Shure, Ohio; Hugh and Polly Kirkpatrick, Texas; Manard and Marie Cox, Colorado; Eugene and Marie Brassar, Michigan; William and Elsie Hine, Michigan; Toy and Yvonne Hayes, Connecticut; F.E. and Irene Manning, Washington; C.A. and Ruth Anne DeShirley, Washington; and Clarence and Gerry Wentler, South Dakota.

Also Yoshihiro Watanabe, Hawaii; Melvin and Selma Brown, Nebraska; Steve Swanson, Texas; Ted and Gertrude Proffer, Michigan; Harold and Myrna Brown, Nebraska; Elmer and Nora Libey, Ohio; Sam and Lenore Whetzle, New York; Forest and Ruby Nix, Oklahoma; Laurence and Inez Hall, Colorado; Albert and Mabel Bone, Texas; J.B. and Reba Green, Texas; John and Trudy Springfield, Missouri; Hal and Roland Bragan, Maryland; Harold and Gail Cunifoe, Colorado; Lee and Margaret Wilder, Washington; Jim and Holli Van Scoy, Wyoming; Del and Peg Visser, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Woodard, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. J. Beason, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Seymour, Michigan; Joe Denny, Wisconsin; and George Reed, Canada.

Dinner wine was compliments of Sam and Lenore Whetzle and Yoshihiro Watanabe. Hosts were Managers Dwight and Lorey Gerome and Assistant Managers Jack and Jo Pry.

The KOA Campground also hosted the Alzafar Shrine Trailer Club over the weekend.

Other activities at the campground in the past week included a display and instructional program and hooked rugs by Hal Bragan, and a Saturday Corn Social.

Mrs. Dahlin won the Corn Social award. Bene Copeland, a guitarist, and Walt Suhre, a harmonica player, entertained the guests.



ARC FUNDS. The American G.I. Forum has donated receipts from its weekly bingo games to the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC). The money will be routed through the local ARC chapter to the Gulf Coast ARC in Corpus Christi, where it will be used in preparation of "Special Olympics" events for handicapped men and women. A portion of the money will also go toward workshops and seminars for the handicapped. Pictured, L to R, are local ARC Chairman John Newby, G.I. Forum President Chris Garza, and Forum Vice-President Pepe Zambrano, who is holding aloft the plaque presented to the Forum for its continued support of the ARC.

(Pilot Staff Photo by Mark Simmons).

Barnard Candidate For Miss Gulf Coast

Beverly Barnard, daughter of Mrs. Maurine Barnard, will be one of the record number of fifty candidates in this year's Miss Gulf Coast Pageant staged in Beeville on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3 and 4.

The Miss Gulf Coast Pageant is for senior girls only--and the winner of the pageant and five runners-up will go to the State Junior Miss Pageant in January with the Texas winner advancing to the national finals.

Contestants will compete in talent, evening gown, sportswear and youth fitness, judges' interviews and scholastic achievement.



Beverly Barnard

Beverly is a member of the annual staff at Rockport-Fulton High School, president and former vice-president of the Photography Club, a cheerleader for several years and a former homecoming queen.

Miss Barnard has many interests including cooking, sewing and swimming. She also likes dancing, jogging, cheerleading and walking. After graduation next May she plans on attending either Texas A&M or Stephen F. Austin University.

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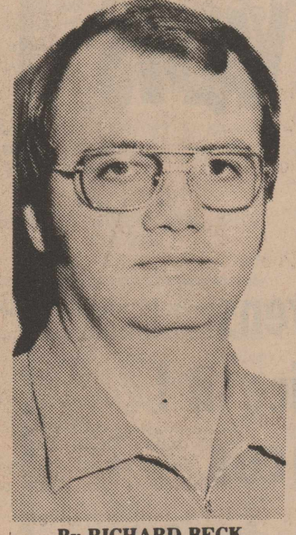
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Pharmacy Topics



By RICHARD BECK

Skateboarders who race or do tricks (and that's the fun part) should wear gloves and helmet, plus elbow and knee pads (that's the smart part). Exhibition skateboarders will soon promote the safety equipment.

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Doctors are finding some correlation between the glucose level in the body and cataracts. They've had some success with the use of a chemical inhibitor in experiments with animals.

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Denver General Hospital compared childbirth care offered by nurses and by computer for high-risk maternity patients. Result? Nurses won hands down.

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An icebag held against your cheek is helpful against the discomfort of an abcessed tooth. It numbs the area, and causes the swelling to contract slightly.

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First aid kit should include a pair of tweezers and needles to help remove splinters. They can be sterilized by boiling for ten minutes, or heating in the flame of a match and wiping off the black carbon stain with sterile gauze.

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Woman's Club Of Aransas Holds Weekly Tourist Party

The Woman's Club of Aransas County held its weekly Tourist Card Party Monday, Nov. 29 in the clubhouse across from City Hall.

Mrs. Louis Glassel of Rockport took top honors in bridge, with Mrs. Henry Camehl of Rockport finishing second.

In canasta, Mrs. Ernest Russell of Wheatland, Wyoming was first and Mrs. Dale Johnson of Cincinnati, Ohio, second.

The Finale Prize for the afternoon went to Mrs. Roy Kump of San Angelo.

The ladies enjoyed a light buffet during the afternoon served on a table decorated with a floral centerpiece flanked by yellow candles and a variety of decorative gourds.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Del Edwards, Rockport; Mrs. W.L. Franke, Manitoba, Canada; Mrs. Glenn Stambaugh, Clinton, Oklahoma; Mrs. G.D. Wertz, Edwardsville, Illinois; and Mrs. James Yantis, Texoma, Oklahoma.

Presiding at the tea service were Mrs. W.R. Schocke of Rockport and Mrs. Roy Wright of Ada, Oklahoma.

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AARP Holiday Dinner Draws Crowd Of 200

Approximately 200 members, winter tourists and guests attended the Fourth Annual AARP Thanksgiving dinner.

The organization furnished four big turkeys for the feast, and guests, members and tourists brought all the trimmings and desserts.

Mrs. Gladys Thomson served as general chairperson for the occasion with help from several members.

Prior to the meal, Marie Knight entertained the crowd with her harmonica playing, and Reverend Paul Bohot showed a set of slides depicting the work of the recently organized ABC Learning Center. Following Reverend Bohot's presentation, the AARP donated $75 to help the Center's scholarship fund for children whose parents cannot afford the full tuition.

Visitors were introduced during the meal and welcomed by president John L. Leslie. Reverend Charles Fake, pastor of the First Baptist Church, offered the invocation.

Table decorations for the event were provided by Mrs. Polly Rogers of Fulton.



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Friendship Club Finalizes Plans For Annual Bazaar

The Friendship Club of the Mobile Inn Trailer Park met recently to finalize plans for its annual bazaar, yard and bake sale set for Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

13 members were present.

It was announced that the park will hold a sing-along Saturday nights beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday night will be bridge night at the club with matches set to begin at 7 p.m.

Mr. B.B. Isun, Canada, is teaching cribbage each Monday night at 7 p.m. at the park.

At the park's Thanksgiving dinner, the recreation hall was decorated in the traditional Thanksgiving theme by Mrs. Esther Decker. Guests included Jean Harris, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Graham and Laura, San Antonio; E.A. Graham, Jr., College Station; Mrs. Robert Hanson, Rockport; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Santos and John, Rockport; and Larry Horgan, St. Louis, Missouri. Hostesses were Mrs. Carl Freck and Mrs. Moore.

New arrivals at the park include Mr. and Mrs. Chester Pratt, South Haven, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Al Conlon, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Issac, Indiana.

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ABC Center Local Donors

The ABC Learning Center still needs funds for scholarship aid to children whose parents cannot afford the $1.50 per day tuition.

The Center has received funds for many other phases of its operation from local firms, organizations and individuals, including the AARP, the First Baptist Church, the First Presbyterian Church, and Peace Lutheran Church.

The Aransas County Ministers' Association donated the offering from its annual community Thanksgiving service to the Center.

In addition, the local HEB store has given food items for refreshments served daily at the school.

Behind the Seams
BY PEGGY BENDEL

A friend recently gave me a sewing bonanza — 16 yards of unbleached cotton. This windfall provided the perfect opportunity to explore various methods of fabric decoration. Some of the most enjoyable methods used the household dyes sold in supermarkets and variety stores.

Dip dyeing, an easy technique, gives beautiful results. This involves dipping a simple garment like a skirt or caftan into two or more dye baths. The baths are successively darker shades of the same color. As the garment is processed from the first dye bath to the last, less and less of the garment is immersed. The final effect is an ombre border, a series of broad bands of color.

For tie dyeing, sections of the flat fabric are bound with string and rubber bands to form donuts or rosettes which resist the dye. These bound sections become the pattern when the background is dyed. Interesting abstract shapes were created when a length of tie-dyed fabric was later cut into squares and assembled into a patchwork quilt.

Simplified batik using household dyes means starting with a few white candles. The candle wax, when melted and painted onto the fabric in a design, creates a fabric area which will not accept the dye. When the waxed fabric is dyed, the background accepts the dye, and the design retains the original fabric color.

Dry-cleaning is the normal final step for batik, since it will remove all traces of the wax. However, since I used the batik fabric for placemats, a little stiffness from residual wax was not objectionable and I completed the project at home. All that was necessary was ironing the batik between newspaper until almost all of the wax was absorbed.

FREE OFFER: Take the first step towards decorating the fabrics you sew by writing for a new booklet, available at no charge. It includes all the above methods for using dyes, plus more. Send your request for "The Wonderful Art of Color Dyeing," with your name and address, to: Dyeing "Behind the Seams," c/o this newspaper.



THIS SMOCK features an applique on the inset front, but you might want to make your own batik design there instead (Simplicity 7623).

Short Takes

Anyone who doubts the marvelousness of the human digestive system has never subsisted for long on office, or shop-brewed coffee.

Self-confidence is being overweight, over-50 and wearing shorts while mowing the lawn.

Superior intelligence is that quality which lets you known enough not to argue with the boss.

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"I think I liked him better when he jumped up and licked my face!"

Methodist Women Elect Officers, Plan Christmas Projects, Program

The United Methodist Women met Nov. 23 with 21 members and one guest present, and elected officers for the coming year.

Chosen were Mrs. John Leslie, president; Mrs. J.M. Sorem, vice-president; Mrs. George McCague, secretary; Mrs. Lawerence Odell, treasurer; and Mrs. Joe Randow, secretary of resource material.

Named to the nomination committee were Mrs. Curtis Harrist and Mrs. John Hancock. Mrs. John Knoche was named chairman of the committee.

Mission coordinators for the coming year include Mrs. Lee Roy Young, Christian personhood; Mrs. Ray Burke, supportive community; Mrs. Chester Barre, Christian social involvement; Mrs. Jack Heffel, Christian global concerns; Mrs. Lee Roy Young, courtesy committee; and Mrs. M.L. Hulett, chairman.

After the selction of officers, current officers gave their reports to the club. Mrs. George McCague reported that Church Women United observed World Community Day Nov. 5 at the Presbyterian Church. The next meeting of the group was set for January.

Mrs. Odell and Mrs. Young attended United Methodist Women Annual District Meeting in Corpus Christi Nov. 13. They related that outstanding accomplishments in community and mission work was reported throughout the district.

Cluster reports showed members busy making items for convalescent home residents, holding Bible studies, planning Christmas projects and donating funds to local and foreign missions.

Mrs. John Leslie, who presided at the meeting in the absence of Mrs. John Hancock, gave the meditation for the special World Thanks Offering. Mrs. Lawrence Odell led the pledge service program, in which each member pledged support with prayers, time, talent and gifts. Each member traced her hand on a scroll which reached across the map of the world.

Members of the Gleaner's Cluster served refreshments at the meeting.

The next meeting will be a covered dish luncheon and Christmas program on Dec. 7 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

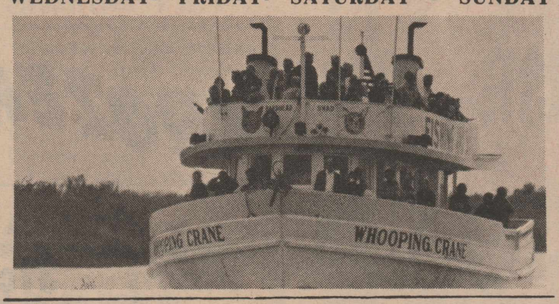
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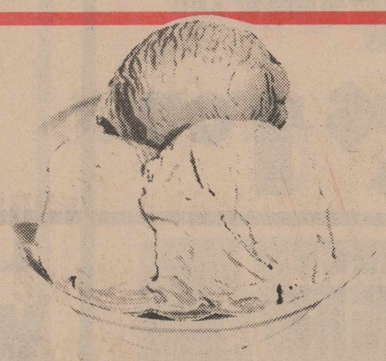
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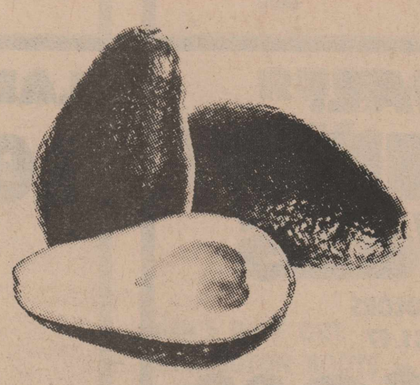
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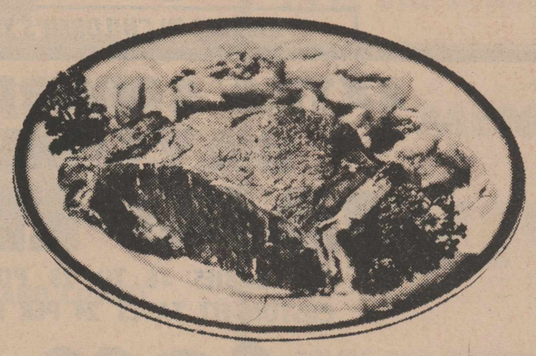
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JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS. The girls' Junior Varsity basketball team is coached this year by Mrs. Anna St. Leger. The team hosted the season's first JV tournament Nov. 19-20, and will make a second tournament appearance beginning Dec. 2 in Calallen. Team members for 1976-77 are, front row, L to R: Sandy Von Heuvel, Cindy Canchola and Alma Rivera. Second row: Dee Nuckles, Mattie Dilworth, Mary Hazelwood, Squeeky Luce and Jackie Roden. Third row: Julie Miller, Tammy Bush, Patti Beard, Donna Smith, Jackie Walston and Coach Anna St. Leger.



The Rockport Pilot

Sports

HARD TO BEAT. The Rockport-Fulton High School girls' Varsity basketball team got off to a fast start with opening wins over Aransas Pass and Taft. The team will open district play Dec. 7 against Calallen in the High School gym. Team members, under the direction of Coach Karen Richter, are, L to R: Tina Hamilton, Rhonda Barnette, Mary Walston, Kathe Heffernan, Debbie Edler, Betty Baldwin, Cindy Schendel, Patsy Bateman, Oralia Tamez and Jena Miller. Team member Jane Ratliff was absent at the time the picture was taken.

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WEEKLY MEETINGS IN ROCKPORT

Local Man Takes Cycle Tour

Rockport's Gilbert Hill, Jr. recently returned from a tour of autumn landscapes in five states. Hill who heads Rockport Home Service, traveled with three other men, Corpus Christi electricians Charles Calvert and Woodie Bodine, and Aubrey Smith, Assistant to the Dean at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

All four are members of the Texas Motorcycle Riders Association (TMRA). They all met at pne of the organization's rallies several years ago, and have taken similar tours together and separately.

This time the group started out in Rockport, toured East Texas, then headed through Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, back through East Texas and home after a stop in Houston.

The weather was surprisingly good, although it rained in Mississippi and parts of Texas. Hill says the group got second looks almost everywhere because of the cold. "People just couldn't believe that we were riding around this time of the year in all the cold. And you do have to be half crazy to do something like this. But we enjoyed it. The reason we chose the route is because we plan to come back in the spring to the same areas."

The travellers split expenses along the way and spent an average of only $60 each, although they stayed in motels all the way and ate three meals a day.

The machines got 40 to 45 miles a gallon despite their size. Hill rode a 1000cc Honda, Clavert and Bodine 900cc Kawasakis and Smith a 1000cc Motoguzi Automatic.

All four were equipped with Citizen's Band radios, and they proved to be trip savers in Jackson, Mississippi.

Smith's antenna was stolen when the group stopped to eat just across the Mississippi border, and when the four headed into Jackson on the spaghetti bowl freeway exchange, he became separated from the rest.

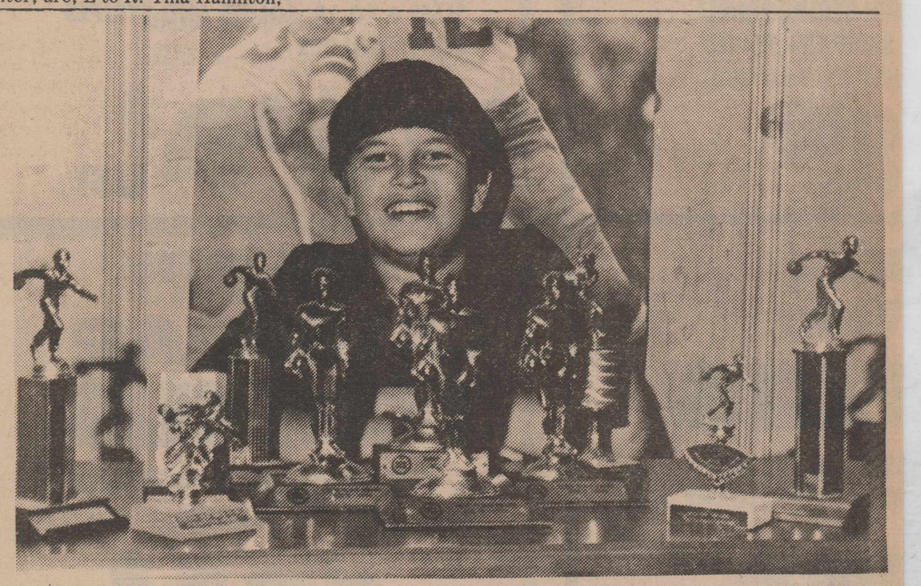
Without his CB antenna, Smith couldn't stay in communication, so the three riders put out a call on their CBs for drivers to be on the lookout for Smith.

After an hour, the Jackson Police Department got into the act, and finally issued an all points bulletin for Smith. At the height of the search, an army of Jackson CBers, the three riders and most of the Jackson Police Department were on Smith's trail. Hill says one officer refused to go off duty until Smith was found.

After a three hour search, Smith was finally located, chugging around on one cylinder.

Hill fixed the bike in Jackson after the reunion, and the four headed out together the next day. They had little trouble the rest of the way.

Hill has taken trips to Colorado and other states, and figures he has covered from 30-40,000 miles in the last year on his cycle, and doesn't plan to stop any time soon.



TROPHY HAUL. Sixth grader Tim Redden, of 1014 N. Patton, has a trophy for each of his 11 years. The youngster has won local Punt, Pass and Kick competitions in eight, nine and 10 year old age groups, and finished third in the nine year old division. He was an all-star minor league baseball player, and has the highest bowling average among players in the junior bowling league at Aransas Pass Coastal Bend Lanes. Tim, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Redden, says he plans to play football only at Rockport-Fulton Junior High School next year.



Gilbert Hill, Jr.

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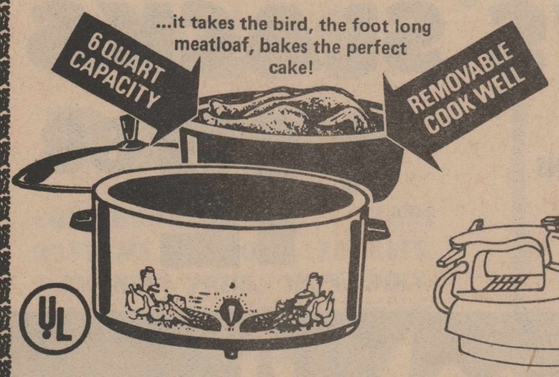
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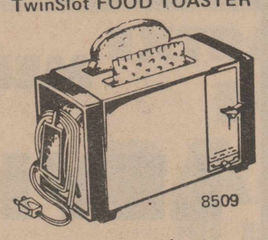
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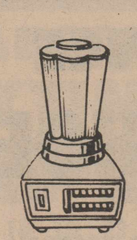
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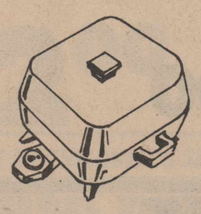


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Pirates Down Taft

After starting off cold in the first quarter, the Rockport-Fulton Pirates rolled to a 54-35 win over Taft Monday night in Taft.

In a game that was anything but impressive, both the Pirates and the Greyhounds showed the effect of the Thanksgiving layoff. In the first period, both teams missed easy shots, but Rockport still managed a 16-8 lead at the end of the period.

Sophomore Joe Brooks, who had 15 rebounds, controlled the offensive boards and kept the holiday hangover from hurting the Pirates.

Rockport's fifth straight victory was never in doubt after Taft closed the margin to one point, 19-18, in the middle of the second quarter. By the half, the Pirates had found the range, and gone on to lead 29-18, holding Taft scoreless for the last three minutes of the half.

In the third period of play, senior forward Dickie Ballou scored three quick buckets to run his total to 14 points, high for the Pirates. Before turning over the action to the subs, the team had taken an 18 point lead at the end of the period, 42-24.

The Pirate subs outscored Taft 12-11 in the fourth period, and eventually took the 54-35 decision.

The game served as a warm-up for the Pirates, who face a tough week of basketball with games on Tuesday night against 4-A Port Lavaca and possibly three games in the Taft Invitational Tournament.

In the Junior Varsity game, the Pirates let a six point lead slip through their fingers, and Taft came back to take a 49-47 win. The Pirates had led most of the way before some bad passes and some poor shooting set in. Big Jim Cruser led the Pirates with 20 points and Ronnie Lamb added 14 to the total.

The Freshmen took their second loss on the chin by a 41-27 score. The Pirates were led by Esequil Hernandez with 8 points.

PIRATE STATS-VARSITY

Pirates: 16, 13, 13, 12 - 54.
Taft: 8, 10, 6, 11 - 35.

SCORING

Player	FGA/M	FTA/M	Ttl.
Ormand	7/0	2/1	1
Pina	7/3	-	6
Ballou	17/5	6/4	14
Lewis	6/3	2/2	8
Brooks	15/4	3/1	9
M. Williams	2/0	1/0	0
J. Williams	3/2	-	4
Barrow	5/1	2/2	4
Setterbo	2/1	-	2
Garcia	5/1	-	2
Pitman	2/1	-	2
Hutchinson	2/1	-	2
Flanagan	-	-	0

Outdoors 'n Things

BY L. D. NUCKLES

Many Texans are reluctant to even discuss turkey at this particular time. They have eaten roast turkey and dressing, creamed turkey on toast, turkey soup, turkey hash and turkey in any other form that ingenious housewives could dream up to utilize the left-over bird. They've just had enough turkey for a while.

For most of us these turkeys we've been eating were plump, frozen birds from the supermarket; but, for a few lucky hunters the turkey may have had a little extra flavor, because this was a wild one that he had outwitted and killed.

The chances are good that his bird really did have a different flavor. Nothing is better than a turkey that has been getting all the acorns it wants to eat. If he has been feeding on cedar berries, however, the different taste may be a long way from desirable. Another preferred food of turkeys, especially in South Texas, is the chilipitin. This little pepper is so strong in flavor that it can add a very distinct hot peppery taste to the flesh of a bird that has been eating them.

A great many turkeys are killed in Texas out of blind luck. The hunter is often sitting in a deer blind waiting for an old buck when the turkey comes up. Just to set out to kill a turkey usually takes a lot of know-how and often a great deal of patience. A turkey will sometimes do some very stupid things, but this is usually during the spring mating season. During the normal hunting season he is as wary an animal as you'll find in the woods.

Most of the turkeys that we find in South Texas these days are not pure wild turkeys. All through this section of the state we once had pure Rio Grande turkeys. These were small, wiry, long-legged birds that would fly for a mile or more when flushed. A mature gobbler would weigh only about 12 pounds.

These wild gobblers were apt to make raids on the farmers tame flocks, luring the domestic turkey hens away and adding them to their harems. Many a rancher has paid good money for a purebred broad-breasted tom only to have him follow some of those long-legged wild girls to the deep woods where he became as wild as any of them.

Some ranchers even purchased broad-breasted toms to release with his wild turkeys. All he managed to do, however, was produce a bigger dumber turkey that was more susceptible to disease and more likely to fall prey to predators.

One should never sell our present wild turkey short, however. With all his introduced domestic blood, he can still be a wily old bird that is worthy of any hunters attention.

In the past, some hunters have been reluctant to hunt turkeys because they were afraid they would be unable to tell a gobbler from a bearded hen. Many mature hens do have beards and many young gobblers do not have beards that protrude through the feathers. Because of this the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission has made the bearded hen legal in all Regulatory Responsibility counties where the gobbler is legal. In counties where the general law still applies only gobblers are legal game.

The hens have light edges on their breast feathers while the gobbler has dark edges. This gives the gobbler an over-all darker appearance and the gobbler stands up much straighter than the hen does. Still--the novice hunter could have a problem unless he had both sexes present so he could compare them.

Turkey hunting is not for the impatient. It is a rather specialized sport that is best learned from an old turkey hunter. When you get to the point where you can consistently bag a turkey or two every season, then you can truly refer to yourself as a hunter.

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Fishin' School

By Jerry Starr

What if your spouse purchased an acre of tidal marsh for $75,000? After you finished shouting and throwing a few things around, you would eventually have to ask yourself that age old question, "Was it a good buy?"

A tidal marsh can have several names. It may be called a bay, tideflat, bayou, lagoon, or marshland. It is more properly called an estuary. An estuary is "a coastal body of water within which the sea water is diluted measurably with freshwater."* The interaction of the plants, animals, tides, currents, wind, rainfall, temperature and nutrients is not totally understood, but within this estuarine zone there are many complex life chains being linked together every day of the year.

To examine this new purchase a person must look at the value of each segment which contributes to its value. One of the most obvious being the fishery production. Most of us will concede that estuarine and coastal waters' fish production is linked to the productivity of the estuaries as breeding, hatching, nursery and protective areas for shrimp, crabs, fish, mollusks and many other animals. When a value for harvested shellfish, sportfishing and recreation is derived, this value becomes a minimal $100 per year per acre of marsh. To further analyze our purchase of this piece of real estate in terms of present evaluation techniques using the income-capitalization approach (V=R/i V=the value of a parcel of land, R= the annual return from it, and i=the appropriate interest rate assumed to be 5%). The value of fishery and recreational returns is V=$100/.05 or $2000.00.

The next segment of our property analysis is the consideration of its potential for development. Since we wish to look at this marsh in its natural state with only minimal changes, oyster aquaculture provides the most simplified and productive source of revenue. We shall assume that this land would support an intensive culture of oysters using a heated hatchery and larval feeding techniques. This system would yield 4500 pounds of oyster meat per acre. At a wholesale price of $.35/lb. the value becomes $1575. (The Japanese using oyster rafts can cultivate 17,500 pounds per acre per year). Using the formula the capitalization value then becomes $31,500.

One of the outstanding services a marshland provides is waste treatment. Because this service is taken for granted it is often overlooked or grossly undervalued. The treatment basically consists of two functions--removal of organic and inorganic waste. The removal of organic wastes in an artificial system such as a treatment plant is not extremely expensive or difficult. But the removal of inorganic substances such as phosphorous and nitrogen (nitrate and ammonia) is the real value of mother nature's waste treatment facilities. The value of the organic and inorganic waste treatment service (with no reduction in water quality) becomes $2,500 per acre per year with an income-capitalization value per acre of $50,000.

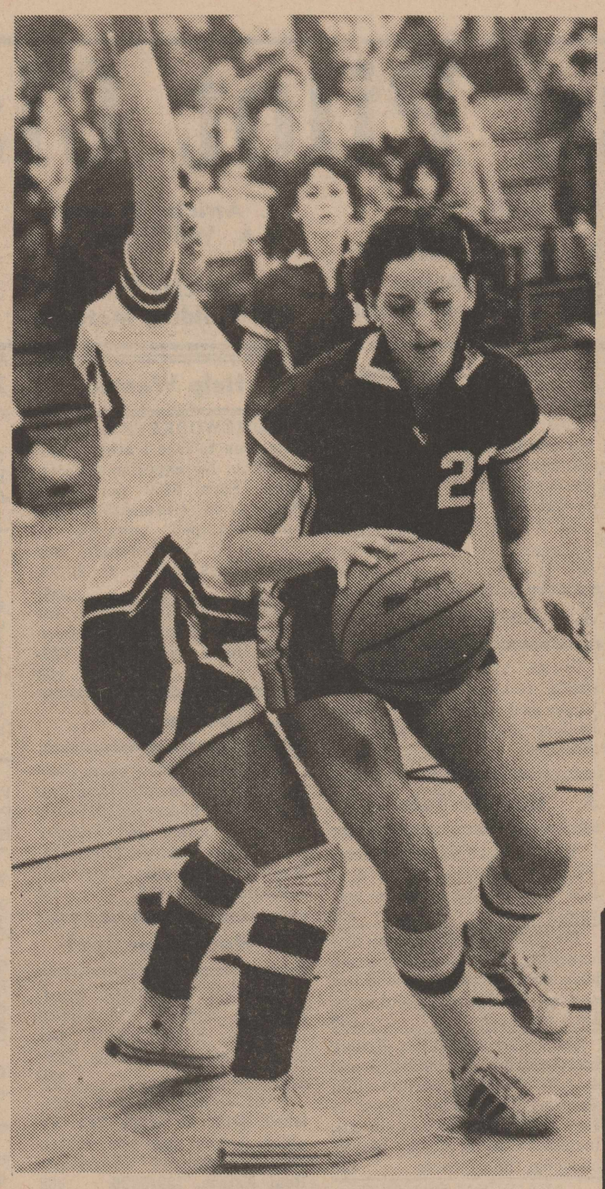
The analysis has shown that if the marshland is used as a commercial and sports fisheries and waste treatment the value will be $52,000. Since the intensive culture of oyster beds precludes the marshlands' use as commercial and sports fishing then the sum of the value of the oyster beds and waste treatment becomes $31,500+$50,000=$81,500.

Surprise! One acre of marshland is worth $81,500. Therefore the purchase of one acre for $75,000 was a "Good" buy. Even though this article is an oversimplification of the total evaluation of one acre of marshland, it can be truthfully stated that $81,500 is a low estimation of the total value. If the marshland were analyzed for its total life-support value then its worth would be even greater. Also the value of marshland is worth more daily since each day the total acreage of marshland decreases.

Even though all the intricacies of life are far from being understood, it is common knowledge that marshland is one of the links in the chain that holds our ecological system together.

*SOURCES: The Estuarine Zone, Uses and Concerns, Johnie H. Crance; also, The Value of the Tidal Marsh, James G. Gosselink, Eugene P. Odum and R.M. Pope.

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Varsity Girls Push Record To 3-0;

The Rockport-Fulton High School Lady Pirates are matching the Varsity boys almost stride for stride. The team pushed its season record to 3-0 Monday night with a 44-39 win over Taft. Mary Walston had 21 points to pace the team. Jena Miller added 12 points and Debbie Edler had nine.

Rockport's Junior Varsity thumped Taft 69-42 for its first win of the season behind the scoring of Jackie Walston and Squeeky Luce, who had 20 points each. Julie Miller added 15 as the JVs ran their record to 1-4.

The Freshmen took it on the chin again, losing 24-45 to Taft. Tony Maness had 11 points, Lucinda Hamon had eight and Mamie Gonzales had three, but it wasn't enough, and the Frosh lost their third straight.

The teams face a full slate of games this week, including two tournament appearances. After the Varsity and JVs take on Refugio Tuesday night, the Varsity will meet West Oso Thursday, Dec. 2 in the first round of the Sinton Tournament.

The Junior Varsity and the Freshmen teams will be in the Calallen Tournament while the Varsity is battling it out in Sinton. The JVs face the Tuloso-Midway Freshmen at 5 p.m. Thursday in a first round game. The Freshmen will take on the Flour Bluff Junior Varsity at 6:30 p.m. the same day.

On Dec. 6, the Freshmen and Junior Varsity will travel to Victoria Stroman for a non-district game. District play will begin for all Rockport teams Dec. 7 against Calallen.

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The residence of such Executor is in Bee County, Texas, and the Post Office address is P.O. Box 760, Beeville, Texas 76102.

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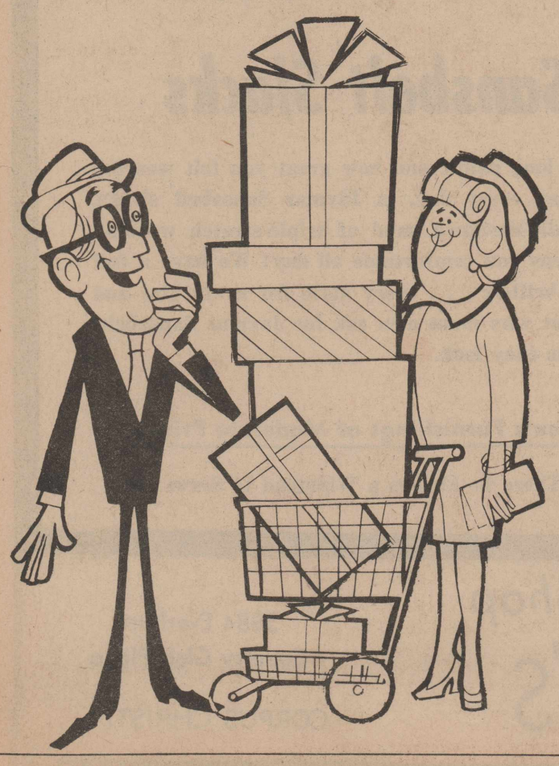


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Sealed proposals marked "Sealed Bid Rockport Memorial Park Improvements," addressed to the City Secretary, City of Rockport, P.O. Box 1058, Rockport, Texas 78382, will be received at the City Secretary's Office until 7:30 p.m., the 10th day of January, 1977, and then opened, read and considered for the furnishing of all materials, supplies, machinery, equipment, plant, tools, superintendence, labor, bonds, insurance, light, power, fuel, transportation, royalty fees and any other facilities necessary for the construction of Rockport Memorial Park Improvements, Rockport, Texas, complete and ready for use.

The City reserves the right to award the Contract on the basis most advantageous to the City; to reject any and/or all bids; and to allow the correction of obvious or patent errors.

Bidders must submit a satisfactory Cashier's Check or Certified Check, or a Bidder's Bond, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Rockport, in an amount not less than 5% of the base bid, which Check or Bond shall be submitted as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a Contract and execute a Performance Bond within 10 days after notice of award of Contract to him. Bids without required Check or Bond will not be considered.

This program is federally funded through the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program Project No. 48-00415.

All bidders are hereby notified that the City has ascertained the wage rates which prevail in the locality in which this work is to be done and that such wage scale is set out in the contract specifications. The successful bidder shall pay not less than the wage rates shown for each craft or type of "laborer", "workman", or "mechanic" employed on this project. The successful bidder is also subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause.

The successful Bidder must furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond in the amount of 100% of the total contract price, and a satisfactory Payment Bond in such amount, all duly executed by such Bidder as Principal and by a corporate Surety duly authorized so to act under the laws of the State of Texas as Surety. The successful Bidder must also furnish a Certificate of Insurance.

All prices must be stated in both script and figures.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Proposal forms, specifications and drawings may be obtained from the office of Urban Engineering, Consulting Engineers, 3100 South Alameda, P.O. Box 6355, Corpus Christi, Texas 78411 (AC 512/883-5581) upon payment of Twenty-Five Dollars.

City of Rockport, Texas
Walter S. Falk, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:
Herman C. Johnson,
City Secretary c38

PUBLIC NOTICES
because the people must know

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Aransas County Independent School District, Rockport, Texas, until 4:00 P.M., December 13, 1976, for an Industrial Arts Building project and an addition to the Junior High School Girls' Dressing Room project. Plans and specifications are available in the School Superintendent's Office in Rockport, Texas. A plan deposit is required. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept any bid which it deems best, or reject any or all bids and to waive formality in connection therewith.

James W. Hunt, Secretary
c38

1. Special Notices

DO YOU HAVE A drinking problem? Write Alcoholics Anonymous, Box 326, or call 729-6822, 729-2712, 729-7132 or 729-6488. ctf

WEIGHT WATCHERS, Rockport, Catholic Hall, Pearl St., Tuesday, 6:45 p.m. ctf

2. Antiques

WILL APPRAISE antiques, settle estates, will buy antiques and old jewelry or trade. Gallery Antiques, 1141 Ruby, 729-2185. ctf

3. Garage Sale

FLEA MARKET - Encina Plaza - Saturday, Dec. 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. All dealers welcome. c38

MOVING SALE: Friday and Saturday, 9-6. Toys, swing set, lawn mowers, mattress and box springs, plants, odds and ends. 1513 Dana Dr. c38

GARAGE SALE: Friday and Saturday, December 3 and 4, ABC Park Recreation Hall, Cactus St., Fulton, next to Post Office. Large assortment, includes 'Xmas items, plants, clothing, housewares. c38

GARAGE SALE: 1051 Pine, Oak Terrace. 9 to 5 Friday and Saturday. c38

FRIDAY, Saturday, December 3 and 4. 9-5, furniture, clothing, painting equipment, paint, lawnmowers, misc. West Mesquite St., Fulton. G. Peirce, 729-6037. c38

SALE — Hide-a-Bed couch, $75. Garden and household articles, M&W Clothes, 1906 Glass. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9-6. p38

5. Card of Thanks

I would like to thank all of those who were so kind to me during my long stay in the hospital. For your cards, phone calls and most of all for your prayers. May GOD bless each of you.

Elizabeth Trank
c38

10. Help Wanted

BABY SITTER wanted for two small children. Mother works shift work. Will need sitter for three weekends out of each month and one week of evenings. If interested, call 729-0762 after 5 p.m. p38

REAL ESTATE SALESMAN Wanted: Licensed or not licensed. Not licensed must complete state required 30 hr. course and pass state license exam. Continuous training when licensed. Wishert Realtors, 729-2124. ctf

BEAUTICIAN — Town & Country Beauty Salon. Call 729-7795 or 729-7039. ctf

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED: Care for two school age children. Private bedroom and bath. Call 729-1753 after 6 for appointment. ctf

SHOP FOREMAN for Recreation Vehicle Sales and Service. Apply in person only. Bart's R. V. Center Highway 35 N., Aransas Pass. c38

SALES CLERK: Recreation Vehicle Accessory Store. Apply in person only. Bart's R. V. Center. Highway 35 N., Aransas Pass. c38

WILL PROVIDE free parking and utilities for retiree trailerite. Need minimal assistance a few days each month. Faber, 729-1450. c39

NEED INDIVIDUAL for daytime security position. Immediate work through February. Competitive salary. Must be able to furnish character references. Contact SECURITY, P. O. Box 608, Rockport, Texas 78382. c39

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FOR EXPERIENCED BOOKKEEPER WITH LOCAL COMPANY

Position includes work on an electric bookkeeping machine. Salary is open for the 40 hour per week job, with hospitalization insurance and other work benefits.

Mail your application with previous references to: BOOKKEEPER, P. O. Box 608, Rockport, Texas All correspondence confidential. ctf

10. Help Wanted

HOMEWORKERS needed in this area to lace leather goods at home. No experience necessary. Earn $150 per week. Send $1.00 (refundable) and long stamped envelope to Jeffery Leathercraft, Box 10427, Rock Hill S. C. 29730. p39

PART TIME HELPER for housekeeping in private home. Must have references. 729-2783. c38

16. Apartments

FOR RENT: Now open, Casa del Rey Apartments. One, two and three bedrooms. $140.00 up. Pool, game and laundry room. Five minutes from DuPont and Reynolds, Hwy. 361, Ingleside. 776-7613. ctf

17. Houses for Rent

WINTER VISITORS: Beautiful 2 bedroom, furnished home in Fulton. $375 per month. Includes utilities. 729-1479 after 4:30. c38

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath furnished. $300. In Little Bay. To older couple for the winter. Deposit required. Dingenary Real Estate. 729-0326. c38

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2 BEDROOM furnished house for rent. Water and gas bills paid. Central heat and air, fenced yord. 729-8624. c38

19. Business Rentals

TWO LOTS, commercial waterfront, in Cove Harbor. Rent or lease. 729-7804, evenings. c38

ATTENTION all crafts people. Inside booth space available at El Barrio Plaza. The market place for arts and crafts in downtown Rockport. Ideal for Christmas and winter tourist season. 300 S. Austin. 729-8609. c38

23. Services Offered

Will buy contract for deed first and second lien notes at a discount. Max Kluge, Sr., 3551 Ocean Dr., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78411. 853-5907. ctf

WILL DO ODD JOBS and lawn mowing. Painting, interior and exterior. Call 729-0256. ctf

TYPEWRITER - ADDING Machines, service, rentals, ribbons for all makes. Call 729-5115. W. T. Moss, owner. ctf

WHEN YOU NEED A DRAGLINE, call W. F. "Dub" Bartlett, Owner operated. Phone 758-2825, P. O. Box 37, Aransas Pass 78336. ctf

WE SERVICE WHAT WE sell. Competitive prices. See Coastal Electronics in the old Railroad Depot. ctf

DITCHING, DOZER, BACKHOE and maintainer service. Contract or hourly rates. Carroll Construction Co., 729-6636. ctf

SERVICES: Asphalt driveway, parking areas, caliche fill dirt, black dirt, lots cleared and leveled, digging and grading. Call us, Frank J. Kresta, 729-5629, 1035 S. Church. ctf

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WILL BAKE DUCKS and dressing in trade for ducks. 729-5361. c38

BAYVIEW ELECTRIC. Jim Chittenden. Commercial, residential, industrial. Licensed and bonded. Service calls, day or night. 729-1183. p38

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23. Services Offered

WILL CUT AND REMOVE trees from your yard, clear lots and acres, haul and spread fill sand and sandy loam. 729-1494. tcf

I WILL BUILD you a home of your choice on a 2½ acre wooded tract between Rockport and Aransas Pass. 2 under construction at this time. Charlie Marshall, 512-758-3221. ctf

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SEWING MACHINE REPAIR, all makes and models. Paul Mudd, 729-0191, Copano Heights. p42

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28. Pets-Supplies

A & K ALL BREED DOG grooming, bathing, dipping and poodle clipping. Individual care, no tranquilizers. Monday thru Friday. 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. by appointment. 729-6278 or 729-5933. ctf

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29. Livestock-Supplies

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30. Articles Wanted

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30-A. Will Trade

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31. Articles For Sale

BALDWIN Spinet Piano for sale. See at Lot 31, Star Fish Mobile Home Park, 4 miles north Rockport, Hwy. 35. p38

PICKUP COVER: Black, eleven months old, LWB, $165. Pair Dodge Van bucket seats, $45. Ray Wolfe, 1051 Oak, 729-0870, 729-5497. c38

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31. Articles For Sale

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TABLE, five chairs, $20; Three wheel bicycle, like new, Sears, $95; Girl's clothes, coats, misc. Copano Ridge. 729-0281. p38

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33. Sporting Goods

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FOR SALE: 1973 Wellcraft Airslot, 24½ ft. twin, 140 h.p. OMC Marine head completely loaded, like new. Magic Tilt heavy duty trailer. 225 hrs. on boat and engine, must sell, 19 Luau, Key Allegro. ctf

FOR SALE: 34 ft. Farley built boat. Two 6 cyl. Chrysler Crowns. $6,900.00. Call 729-6273. ctf

17½ FT. GLASSPAR: 100 h.p. Evinrude, power tilt trailer, other extras. See at No. 7 Blue Heron, Key Allegro. $2300. p38

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26 FT. CABIN BOAT, "Yankee Prince," 283 conversion engine. Finger Pier, Fulton. p38

39. Business Opportunity

FOR SALE: This motel and trailer park is truly beautiful. One of the nicest in this area. Room for plenty of expansion. $80,000.00. Grant Stowell Realtor. 729-5963. ctf

42. Acreage Sale

FOR SALE: Five acres of land. Located two miles west of Rockport on Club Lake Drive, off Hwy. 881. 729-6885. ctf

45. Lots For Sale

FOR SALE: Lots out of the city but with city water. Good terms. FIVE STAR REAL-ESTATE, 729-6760. ctf

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47. House For Sale

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48. Mobile Homes

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49. Trailers, Travel

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52. Trucks

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54. Automobile

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55. Motorcycles

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STAYING POWER. The Rockport-Fulton High School Cross Country team competed in the 15-3A district meet Nov. 20 in Gregory-Portland. Raul Ramirez won second place overall, and will travel to San Marcos Dec. 4 for the Regional finals. The top 10 finishers in the regional meet will advance to state. Pictured, L to R, are Collins Barnes, Esequil Hernandez, Mike Contreras and Raul Ramirez. Team coach is Gene Ragers.

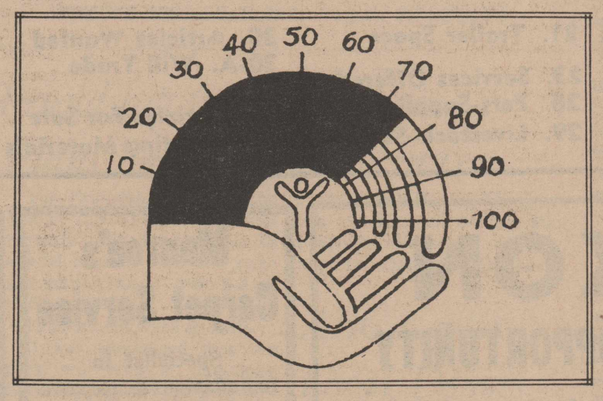
United Fund At $10,000

The Aransas County United Fund drive for 1976 has topped the $10,000 mark. The figure is approximately 75 percent of the $13,386 goal.

The drive is headed this year by Joe Hugenberg of Rockport, and benefits 13 local charity and character building organizations. As in the past, solicitations for the drive are being conducted by mail. Cards and letters have already gone out to more than 2,000 county families.

Chamber of Commerce Secretary Loyce Landrum heads the solicitation drive for 1976, and has put in a new wrinkle recently, distributing pledge cards to employees of the county's major businesses. these personal solicitations could push the drive over the top before its Dec. 31 conclusion.

Statewide, the United Fund has collected more than $61 million, or some 96.3 percent of its 1976 goal of $64,051,935.



CPL Hearing Begins...

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Consultants hired by the TML committee dropped a bombshell in the Nov. 29 hearing, recommending an increase of 4.5 per cent for CP&L, or less than one-half the 11.5 per cent the company is asking for.

The city of Rockport contributed 10 cents per capita to the cost of the rate review when it joined the TML committee after CP&L gave notice of its proposed rate increase in September.

Rural users in Aransas County and 43 other counties served by CP&L faced the higher rates immediately because they had no governmental body to speak in their behalf and suspend the increase. The local Fair Electric Rate Group has changed that situation dramatically by filing a challenge to the CP&L increase, and retaining Austin Counsel G. William Fowler to present its case before the PUC. The group has raised almost $5000 to date, and has picked up support from groups in Jim Wells and Live Oak counties recently, as well as pledges of support and funds from rural citizens in Bayside, Woodsboro and Bonneyview.

Monday, Nov. 29, while the PUC was meeting in Austin, the rural group met at the Sandollar resort and drafted a letter to the county judges in each of the other 43 counties served by CP&L. The letter asks for the name of prominent rural users who might be willing to form a citizen's group in the county to help in fund raising and information dissemination. The Fair Electric was accepted by the PUC as a representative of all 44 Texas counties, but has fought alone until recently.

Attorneys for CP&L have said they expect the hearing to last approximately two weeks. The PUC will also be considering an appeal by CP&L of rate rejections by five South Texas cities, along with the various challenges and requested reviews of the rural and municipal rate proposals and increases.

The Fair Electric Rate Committee is currently making plans to operate as a year-around citizen's group, and to obtain legal status which would require CP&L to inform it when rural rates were being imposed or proposed. The outcome of the CP&L hearing could have a significant bearing on the later fate of the group, and Austin counsel Fowler is going all out to present a formidable challenge. Local representatives say Fowler will ask for both a suspension of the present increased rates, and a rebate in the amount of the increase already exacted. Such a move, if accepted by the PUC, could mean a bonanza of hundreds of thousands of dollars for rural users throughout South Texas.

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Court Aide...

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sible to stop, and would cost the county money it did not have.

"I've gotten 500 calls from people in my precinct to do work on roads since this rain started, and I don't have the money," Eller stated.

After Judge Littlejohn left the courtroom, the Commissioners finished with other agenda matters and went into executive session to discuss a sheriff's department personnel matter.

When they reconvened, commissioners reversed their earlier stand and approved the judge's request.

Willis Watley of the Criminal Justice Division says his office has not received Judge Littlejohn's application, and will evaluate it when it arrives. According to Watley, the program will be 100 percent state funded for the first year if approved. After the first year, the matter will be reviewed by Commissioners, the Coastal Bend Council of Governments and the state. If all approve, then a second year will be funded, with 80 percent to come from the state, and 20 percent to come from the five counties which form Judge Littlejohn's district, Aransas, Bee, San Patricio, Live Oak and McMullen. The local fund assignments will be pro rated according to population, crime rate and case load.

The grant has a term of five years, with the local percentage increasing by 20 percent each year after the first.

In other business, Commissioners:

--Approved the signing of oil and minerals lease with the Perry R. Bass Company of Fort Worth. The county received $160 leases covering all or part of blocks 4, 6-12, 18 and 289 in the Smith and Wood addition.

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Company...

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Monday, Nov. 29, and that it could be 10 days or more before plans could be changed.

The pipeline appeared to have presented less of a problem for the company and the community representatives. Tentative plans now call for the line to run through the south side of town in a lightly populated area already zoned for industrial use. It could cross portions of the old railraod property, and may include portions of the current block of leases belonging to the Perry R. Bass Company of Fort Worth.

As described, the pipeline would still end up in Cove Harbor, where the finished product would be loaded on to barges or put into pipelines in the case of natural gas.

Court...

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testimony had begun and was released by the court and both parties.

In other cases, the court:

--Assigned a fine of $500 and costs to Larry Wells after his plea of guilty to an assault charge.

--Assigned a fine of $50 and costs to Guadalupe Moreno after his plea of guilty to an assault charge.

--Assigned five years probation and costs to Michael Alford Richardson after his plea of guilty to a theft charge.

--Assigned five years probation, a $500 fine and costs to Stuart Parks after his plea of guilty to a burglary charge.

--Assigned five years probation, a $1,000 fine and costs to Anthony Wayne Dessicino after his plea of guilty to a charge of unlawfully carrying a pistol in a tavern.

--Assigned a five year probation, a $500 fine and costs to David Ramos after his plea of guilty on a burglary charge.

--Assigned seven years probation, $1500 fine and costs to Ronald Gene Frazier after his guilty plea on a charge of burglary.

--Assigned four years probation, a $500 fine and costs to Chris Pena after his plea of guilty on a forgery charge.

--Assigned five years probation, a $1500 fine and costs to Philip Wayne Chupe after his plea of guilty on a charge of aggravated assault.

--Assigned four years probation and costs to Debra Elaine Coleman after a guilty plea on a charge of theft.

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Pirates...

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Flanagan says the Pirates' opening blitzkrieg has put the team in the first division of 15-3A. West Oso, a prohibitive early favorite has slipped once and been less awesome than expected, and Flanagan says both Gregory-Portland and his Pirates could have a shot at the top if the Bears continue their slide.

The young season has held a few surprises for Flanagan besides the 5-0 start. The play of junior Jerry Lewis, who has been filling in for injured Darryl Green, has been outstanding: "He's been our biggest prize," says Flanagan. "We carried him on the Varsity last year but he didn't get to play much, and he's really done the job so far."

Joe Brooks, Tuloso-Midway All-Tournament picks Ronnie Ormand, John Pena and Dickie Ballou have all played up to very high expectations, which didn't surprise Flanagan a bit. Add Darryl Green, who should have been back from an ankle injury for the Port Lavaca game, and the team shapes up as it has already

Tourists...

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and if anyone would say it's good to eat, we'd run in and cook it to see how it tasted."

The Macys are planning a week in the valley later in the year, and also have a long list of friends and relatives coming in for visits from Minnesota and Iowa.

Their nineteen months on the road have been smooth as silk. They use their CB radio whenever they're on the road to find out about places to stay, danger areas, etc., and they've found it to be a sleep saver several times. On one occasion they were pulling into a town late at night with no reservations, and put out a call on their radio for information on lodgings in the area. A fellow CBer then went them one better and offered his front yard.

They say they can live as cheaply on the road as they can at home where there would be electric bills and maintenance to do.

And they have a story for all those who think the weather's been bad the last few days. In Liscomb, Iowa it was 11 below zero Sunday night.

Acteens Plan Slumber Party

The Junior High Acteens of the First Baptist Church met Nov. 29 to finalize plans for a Dec. 3 slumber party and to begin planning for a club Christmas party.

Four members were present along with club leader Mrs. Ellen Murph.

Child Abusers Described

A recent study shows parents are most likely to abuse male infants, children under age 6, illegitimate children and females age 12 and older.

The same study also points out high-risk families. "A fairly high rate of unemployment and an extremely high rate of marital discord characterized abusing families," said William Friedrich, a researcher at The University of Texas School of Public Health. About 65 percent of the abused children in the study did not have both natural parents living with them. The study appears in the October issue of TEXAS MEDICINE, the Texas Medical Association's monthly journal.

Friedrich's data, drawn from Harris County statistics, shows that parents of any age, race, educational or economic category abused children. A large percentage seem to be repeat offenders. About 85 percent of the children reportedly abused had been in similar incidents previously.

"A parent who was himself abused, social isolation, unrealistic expectations of the infant, inability to use or seek help and a personality best described as deeply unlikeable" profile a potential child abuser, an article in the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION states. Parents demonstrating two or three of these characteristics who have or will have young children should be offered help before abuse occurs, said the article's author, David Chadwick, M.D., of San Diego, Cal.

The first step in getting someone to help is reporting abuse. Texas law requires anyone who suspects child abuse or neglect to report it to the proper authorities. A person can call the child abuse hotline number, 1-800-292-5400, free of charge and report a potential or suspected case. People can call the nearest welfare office or law enforcement authorities as well. The Texas welfare department says "as long as your report is made in good faith, you are protected by law from damage suits." A report also can be made anonymously. The law says someone can be prosecuted for not reporting a suspected case.

The information is relayed to the nearest child welfare office and a worker investigates the report. After investigation, parents may get counselling if needed. If a child's safety depends on it, he may be placed in another home at least temporarily.

Welfare department figures for 1973 show there were about 4,000 reports and more than 2,500 confirmed child abuse cases. There were 104 recorded deaths from child abuse. Friedrich's article says there may be as many as 500,000 abuse cases in the U.S. every year. Texas child abuse reports have increased but Friedrich said that child abuse reports show only a small part of the problem that includes emotional abuse and intentional neglect.



OILS SHOWN. Local artist Steve Russell presented 25 of his latest oils Sunday, Nov. 21 before a large crowd at the Bayhouse Restaurant at the Rockport Racquet and ~~Yacht Club~~. Russell has been painting in the Rockport area for several years, and is a member of the Rockport Art Association. Here, he discusses a large seascape with Mrs. Linda Smith.

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Junior High Honor Roll Announced

Seventy-five Junior High students were named to the second six-weeks honor roll of the school year. Of the seventy-five making the honor roll, twenty-three were sixth graders, twenty-five were seventh graders, and twenty-seven were eighth graders. To be eligible for the honor roll a student's seven six-weeks grades must total at least six hundred-and-thirty with no failures.

Students making the honor roll are as follows: Sixth Grade -- Donald Beard, Tina Chavez, Aaron Commander, Dominic Dominguez, David Edwards, Wally Gastauer, Andrew Gehring, Page Hailey, Terri Hunter, Leigh Kiker, Lacretia Lewis, John Longino, Jose Martinez, Robin Montgomery, Charles Ochoa, Jim Ponton, Timothy Redden, Gail Rutledge, Tracy Sorenson, Tammy Strait, Clint Tumlinson, Rebecca Ward and Eric Williams.

Seventh Grade -- Miki Andrews, Michael Arthur, Alan Barnard, Denise Bryant, Diana Castro, Laurel Fain, Sheila Frazier, Gay Harper, Kimberly Hunter, Jeannette Jack, Dana James, Mike Kautz, Maggie Kiker, Kathryn Morgan, Alayna Newberry, Claudia Reiter, Theresa Roberts, Colleen Seyer, Kathy Smith, Kenneth Smith, Patty Sparkman, Sherry Traweek, Susan Walston, Sheryl Wells and Laurie West.

Eighth Grade -- Kyle Dietze, Dianna Fake, Carolyn Farnsworth, Mark Goodin, Billy Henneke, Jennefer Hickman, Yolanda Hinojosa, Jennifer Janecek, William Johnston, Ruth Lane, Suryta Laqua, Meredith Montague, Barbara Mosier, Jill Oliver, Helen Pearson, K.C. Potter, Teresa Price, Mary Randow, Linda Rinche, Consuelo Rivera, Dee Aine Rossman, Alvina Sanchez, Elizabeth Sparkman, David White, Karry White, Wes Wilhour and David Williams.

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The turnpike that would take us into the mountains the quickest was jammed with traffic when we tried to pull on, so we decided to try another parkway. Traffic was dragging there too, so we pulled off the parkway after a couple of miles, a move that got us lost in heavy weekend traffic.

After an hour of aimless driving in strange towns, we found the turnpike again, but now the toll booth attendant waved us off. "High winds warning," he shouted. "No trailers." So we headed for a tunnel that would get us started through the mountains, but warning signs at the tunnel's approach cautioned: "No propane bottles. Heavy fines."

Getting frustrated, we found still another alternate route to try, but when we stopped at a station to gas up, the attendant cautioned us that we'd better get off that road, since trailers weren't permitted and we were risking a ticket. To make a long story short, the entire trip went that way — a "four-hour drive" that took seven.

Afterwards, anger gave way to common sense as we realized most of our problems had been our fault, to wit:

—People who travel with RVs can't afford needless surprises of traffic jams or high wind warnings on a turnpike. Paying closer attention to our radio, plus keeping it tuned where we could get that information, would have alerted us to alter our route on a heavily-traveled weekend.

—Picking a tunnel as an alternate course was stupid without remembering that many tunnels prohibit propane.

—Whether the road that prohibits trailers had cautionary signs posted or not, we should learn the possible restrictions of any road before we take it. It's easy enough to ask.

—We hadn't really plotted the route we planned to travel before we left, not even mentally. You can get away with that when you decide to jump into a car and take off; pulling a trailer requires a bit more advance concentration.

Don't allow anything to become second nature when traveling by RV. Expect the unexpected and you're less likely to get hurt.

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Aransas County Library News

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The Walt Disney film shown at the library Nov. 26 was attended by a large group of children and adults. Another Disney film is scheduled to be shown during the Christmas holidays.

Story Hour is scheduled for Dec. 3, 10:30-11:00. Mrs. Robert Reynolds will be in charge. All preschool children are invited to attend this event.

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LOVERS AND TYRANTS, Francine du Plessix Gray.

Good Breakfast

A good breakfast means "ready energy" for active study and play, Frances Reasonover, a foods and nutrition specialist, says.

Studies show that everyone, from teens to workers, who eats a good meal before school or work gets more done than those who skip breakfast--or eat a poor one, she said.

"As the morning goes on, the hungry ones grow less efficient. After lunch, they do better for awhile--then slow up again.

"Those who eat a good breakfast have a better chance to do a day's work well than those who neglect breakfast. Children are more likely to do well in studies and games," she said.

Miss Reasonover is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

She suggested a test for a good breakfast:

--Does it give you protein, vitamins and minerals--materials needed to build and repair the body and to help keep you healthy?

--Does it provide fuel for body energy?

--Does it taste good?

"A doughnut and coffee breakfast fails the first point. It leaves too much for other meals to make up.

"A fruit juice and coffee breakfast goes only part way toward the first point.

Here are some patterns, all the way from light to hearty:

Fruit, cereal or bread, milk to drink, other beverage if desired.

Fruit, cereal or bread, or both, egg, beverage.

Fruit, cereal or bread, cr both, eggs with meat, such as bacon, sausage, hash or fish, beverage.

"Fruit is in every one of these breakfasts, mainly to give zest to the meal, to help prevent constipation and because some fruits are outstanding for their Vitamin C content," she explained.

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The three tours being offered are an Eagle-Hawk-Prairie Chicken Tour, a Rockport Waterbird Tour and an Aransas Wildlife Refuge Tour. Each tour takes one-half day with departures each Thursday through Sunday at 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

These tours will offer an opportunity for participants to see an amazing array of wildlife. Among the birds and animals you may see on the tours are: Bald Eagles, Prairie Chicken during booming season, White-tailed Deer, Wild Turkey, Javelina, Alligator, Armadillo, Sandhill Cranes, several species of hawks including the White-tailed Hawk, White-tailed Kite, and Caracara, and many species of waterbirds.

Early reservations are advised as each tour is limited to 19 participants. Mr. Emanuel is the organizer and compiler of the Freeport Christmas bird census, one of the nation's top bird counts. He has also served as president of the Texas Ornithological Society.

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Tax Forms Will Be Late

Taxpayers should receive their Form 1040 and 1040A income tax packages about two weeks later this year than last year, Late enactment of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 caused the delay, according to Robert M. McKeever, IRS District Director for southern Texas.

The 1976 Form 1040 packages should arrive at taxpayers' addresses by the middle of January. The 1040A "short form" packages should arrive by January 7.

The Farmer's Tax Guide (Publication 225) should be available by Dec. 15.



Family Physician
BY DR. JAMES G. PRICE

Q. I used to get occasional shots of vitamin B-12 to help my energy return after having the flu or a bad cold, and I'm sure it helped me. Now that I'm on Medicare, my doctor tells me that the government won't pay for these shots and that if I get them, I'll have to pay for them myself. Can you explain why Medicare doesn't cover shots of B-12?

A. Scientifically, there are very few indications for injections of vitamin B-12. The major indication is pernicious anemia. In this condition it can be proved that the drug has beneficial results. There is no scientific proof that it helps recovery from flu or colds, or that it provides a person more energy when he feels run down.

Since the benefits cannot always be proved, and since injections of B-12 have been widely and indiscriminately used in the absence of any real indication, the government decided to pay for it for those conditions only where there is no question as to its benefit. I'd be the first to admit that it isn't easy to persuade a patient who's convinced that this shot helps that the government says it doesn't!

Q. Now that we've received our swine flu shots, are there other types of flu vaccine that we should be getting?

A. Yes, but the variety of vaccine which you need will depend upon whether you received the mono- or the bivalent swine flu vaccine. Check with your family doctor who will be able to advise you as to which vaccine you still need.

Q. I've had an ulcer for several years and each time I've gone to the doctor he puts me on an ulcer diet, an antacid and some pills. Last week it flared up again and my new doctor tells me that what I eat really doesn't make a lot of difference in how fast the ulcer heals. He did give me an antacid which I don't have to take very often, but he didn't give me any pills. What's going on?

I don't blame you for being confused by the change that has taken place recently in ulcer therapy. Some recent studies indicate that with the exception of alcohol, strict diets don't result in any faster healing than ordinary diets.

It has also been shown that antacids and most "ulcer pills" (anticholinergics) really do very little to reduce the amount of acid in the stomach or influence benefically the healing of an ulcer. Many of us may find it a little hard at first to switch away from the older method of handling this problem, but the new evidence is just as I report it to you.

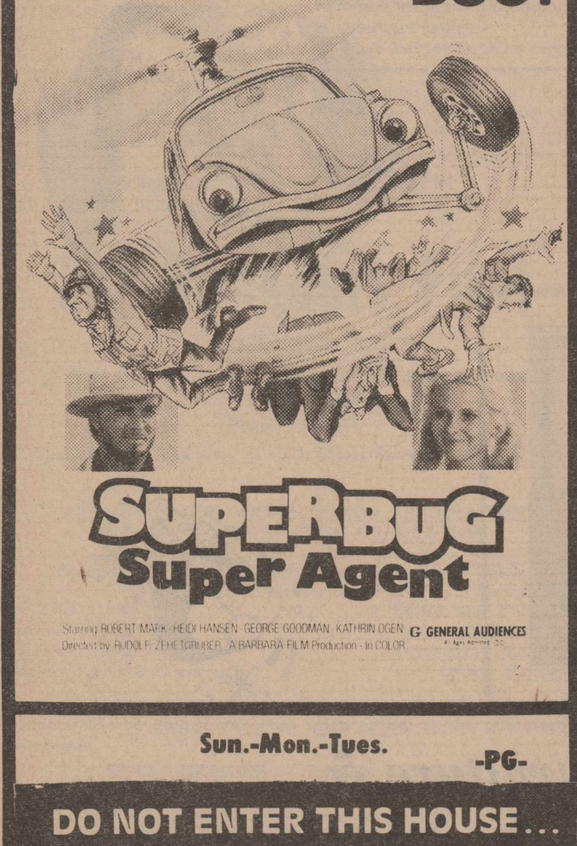
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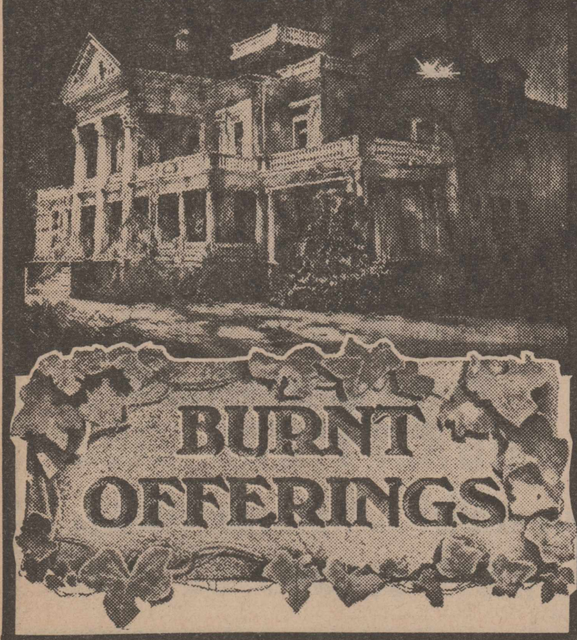


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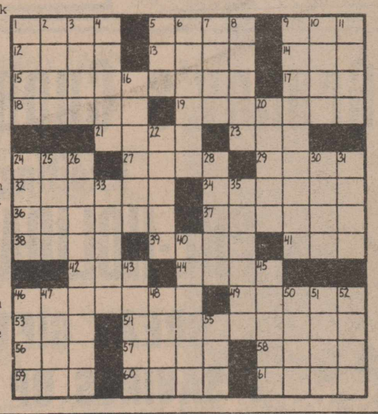
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42 —— and Mom
44 The —— test
46 Thoroughfares
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60 Buy and ——
61 Run away

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3 Orifice
4 Orgy
5 Musical notes
6 Warmer
7 Roman road
8 Nostrils
9 Spoke haltingly
10 French river
11 Want
16 Wants scratching
20 Assistants
22 Throws
24 Feminine appellation
25 Spoken
26 Bold adventure
28 Type of architecture
30 Narrow road
31 Italian city
33 Southerner
35 Die
40 Hanging ornament
43 French novelist
45 Stunt growth
46 Dancing girl
47 Kind of meat
48 Ireland
50 Gem
51 Network
52 Essential being
55 "My Gal ——"



Nursing Home News

Activities for the week of Nov. 22 to Nov. 28 at the Aransas Pass Nursing and Convalescent Center included:

Monday morning Arthur, from the City Barber Shop in Ingleside, gave haircuts to the male residents. Monday afternoon, John Blair and Altie Lee Albers from Rockport entertained the residents with "Bluegrass" music.

Tuesday morning, Irma Owens led residents in exercises, and later in the morning Reverend Gall and various church women held a birthday party for November honorees. Tuesday afternoon, James Hamilton and helpers held mass for Catholic residents. Tuesday evening, Alfred Zabel and former resident Pat Baker gave a music concert. Mr. Baker left after the concert for a new home in Oregon.

Wednesday morning, Bonnie and Jean led paint class and worked on Christmas stockings for the residents' doors. Wednesday afternoon the ladies of the WMW, First Baptist Church, Aransas Pass, held a birthday party and game day, featuring music by Mrs. Esther Yeager and bookmarker gifts for residents prepared by Mrs. Charlene Glen and her GAs. Wednesday evening, the Aransas Pass LULAC Chapter 630 held a game night.

Thursday, the residents enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner featuring tray favors made by the Alpha Delta Tau Sorority.

Saturday night, the ladies of the Altar Society of the St. Mary's Star of the Sea Catholic Church served refreshments at the home's regular monthly dance, which featured music by Mary Frances Farenthold and Terry Holden.

Sunday morning church services were held by Reverend Al Bankert. Sunday afternoon, the First Christian Church of Ingleside held its monthly "Sing In."

Those who lose their tempers at games should stick to other pursuits.

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Planning is what separates the best communities from the average ones.

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What children think of home determines whether they stay home much.

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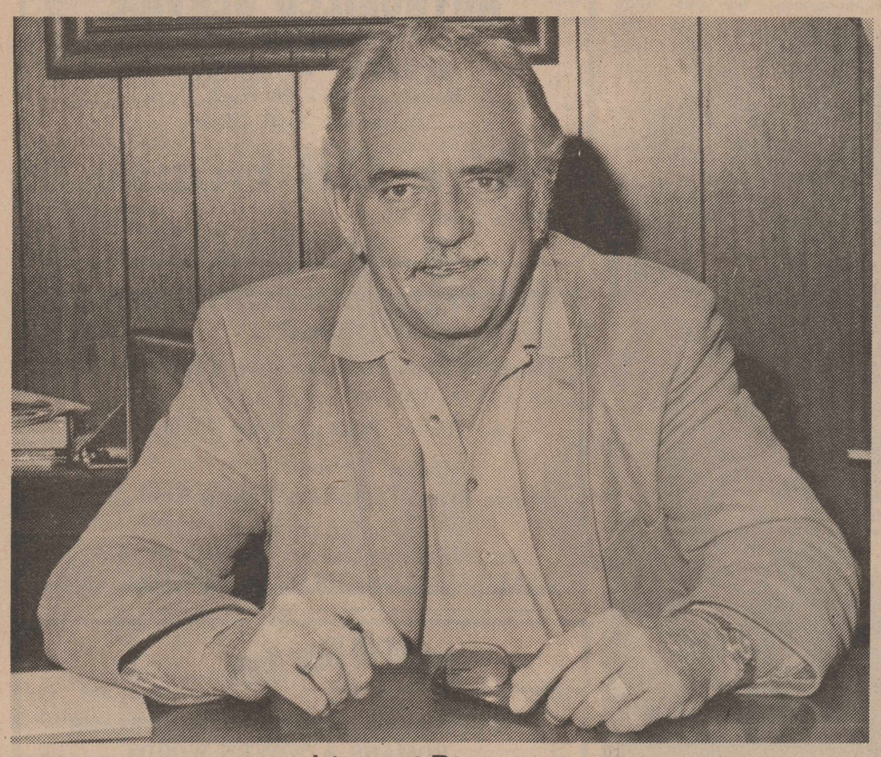
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Politics is the art of blowing up issues to collect the most votes possible.

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People without responsibility are usally anxious to solve tremendous problems.

Aransas Aviation Takes The County Airport From Runways To Riches



Linwood Bland

Nineteen months ago the Aransas County Airport was virtually inoperative. Air traffic was light, fuel sales poor. Business and recreational pilots who flew in could not expect repair or installation service, covered parking for their cars or storage for planes larger than the average twin-engine.

Now, less than two years after his management company, Aransas Aviation, won the race for the airport lease, Linwood Bland can lean back in a plush office and point to all those services and more. The Aransas Airport now boasts complete repair, installation and inspection service for all makes and types of airplanes. It handles four or five airline-class planes a week, features excellent storage facilities for both autos and large airplanes. It also serves, through Bland's company, as the headquarters for Cessna aircraft sales in South Texas east of Corpus Christi, with a sales territory that includes Victoria, Wharton, El Campo and Bay City.

And the future looks even better. Bland says the Aransas airport could become the center point for most flight operations of the offshore oil industry south of Galveston.

The turnaround began in March, 1975 when Bland, as the one-man corporation Aransas Aviation, was awarded the management lease. Bland had learned to fly in Houston in the early 1950's for business purposes, and had been in aviation ever since that time as pilot and manager and businessman.

He says the aviation business is no different from the car business, and that he tried from the beginning to found his business on sales and service, and to make certain that his management reflected the outlook of the former pilot and airport user he had been.

Bland began by expanding the airport's customer services, hiring Rockport men and women when qualified. He created a full service department to perform repairs, installations and inspections of clients' planes. He cleaned up and renovated the existing buildings, and put the airport on a 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. operational schedule.

The first month, however, was a disaster. The airport pumped a miserable 4,000 gallons of fuel.

But there was never really any doubt about the airport's potential, and Bland maximized his position quickly by catering with impressive success to the offshore oil industry.

The drilling in Aransas County and the surrounding area was picking up again after an exploration hiatus of almost 30 years, and Bland filled a growing need by offering the oil companies and the helicopter shuttle services which served them, office space, designated storage place, and a "personal touch." His employees answered calls for the companies, relayed messages, and generally did everything necessary to win their unprecedented confidence. Very quickly Petro Helicopters, the largest support service in the oil business, switched from fields on Mustang Island to the Aransas Airport. Last month, Air Logistics, the second largest support company, jumped on the bandwagon.

Last August, Bland's company expanded with a branch office in Galveston. The branch office employs six persons, and offers the oil companies and support industry the same range of services available at Aransas.

As the success of the operation grew, County Commissioners gave a strategic boost, building the largest hangar on the field at a cost of more than $100,000. Aransas Aviation now pays rent for the hangar, and uses it to hold planes which were previously out of its range--large company jets belonging to local firms like Caspary and Wendell and international giants like Brown and Root.

A second boost came when Bland won the sales distributorship for Cessna. The dealership puts Aransas in the first rank of county airports, and will be a continuing source of solidarity and strength in the years to come. The sales division has increased volume almost monthly since its inception, and has inquiries from several states, as well as most parts of South Texas.

Aransas Aviation backs up its sales department with a complete service division, including one of the most complete electronics service shops in South Texas. The week before Thanksgiving, repairmen and installers were working close to maximum with four planes in for motor repairs and three for electronic installation or repair.

Recently, the company has added storage space for automobiles clients leave when travelling, and a first class painting hangar for its service department and inventory of used airplanes.

Revenue, instead of trickling in from the tourist industry and pleasure flyers, is now firmly based in industry and businesses of all types. The tourist trade has picked up, too, of course, and Bland has not been slack in other areas, setting up complete charter and pilot training services, and full weather observation facilities.

The result is a cornerstone facility for the county.

Growth and the maintenance of growth in the fastest of ages is increasingly reliant on access and speedy travel.

And, be it the oil industry, the tourist industry or some yet developed industry, the Aransas County Airport, through Aransas Aviation, can now offer one of the finest county facilities in Texas.

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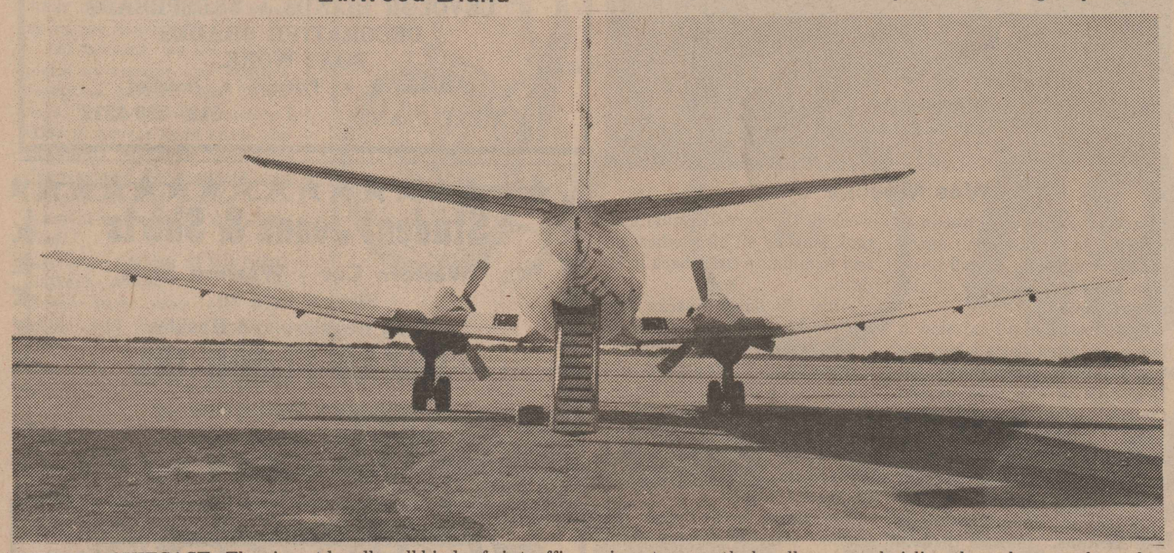
Questionaires Mailed Nov. 1

Annual income questionnaires were included with Veterans Administration pension checks mailed to 1.2 million veterans and survivors on Nov. 1, Ted W. Myatt, VA Regional Director, reported.

Questionnaires also will go to 28,000 parents receiving dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) checks.

Completed questionnaires must be returned to the VA by Jan. 1 to insure continued receipt of benefits.

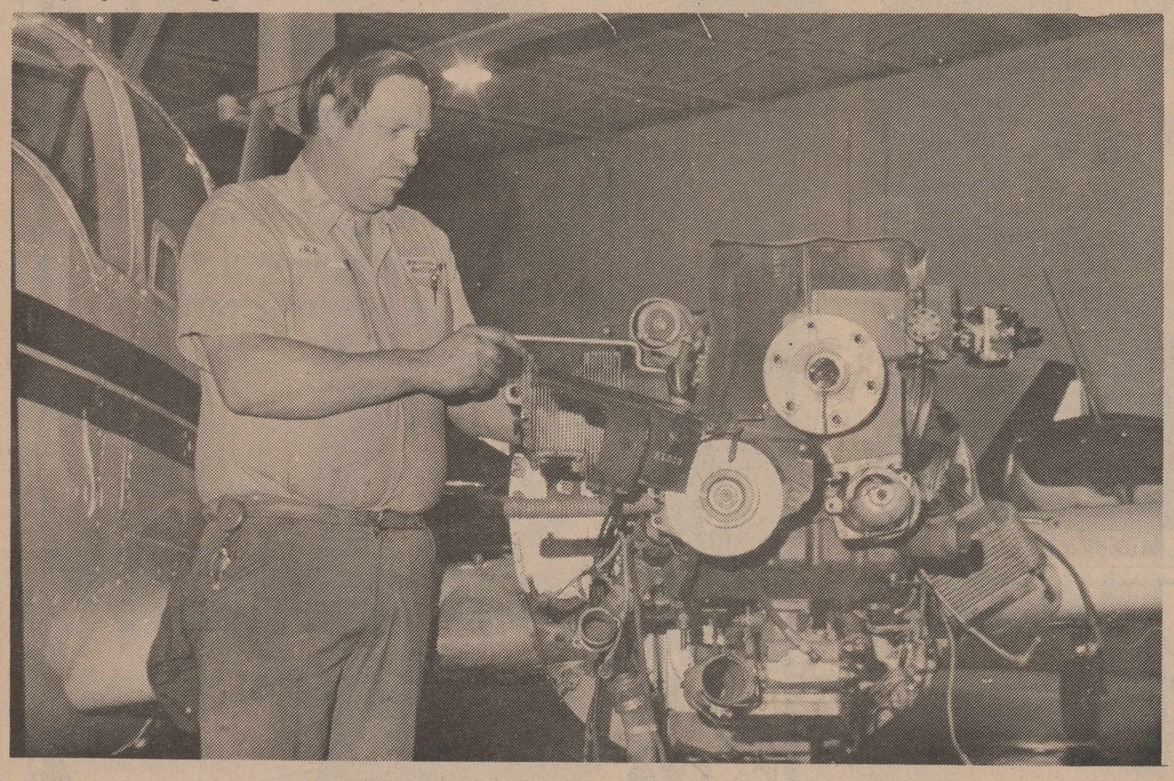
Pensions are paid to veterans and widows of veterans with nonservice-connected disabilities. Amount of the monthly stipend is based on the annual income of the recipient.



OUT OF A SUITCASE. The airport handles all kinds of air traffic, from helicopters giving shuttle service to offshore oil well workers to commercial and private commuters. The runways can handle everything from small private planes to jets, and Bland says the airport currently handles several airline class planes each week. The heavy traffic is an indicator of the improved airport management and of the area's improving energy and tourist based economy.



ADMINISTRATION HEADQUARTERS. Aransas County constructed the airport administration building, one of several buildings it erected during the airport's rise into the top ranks of county airports. Manager Linwood Bland's offices are now in the hangar at left, but the airport communications and most other offices are located in the low brown brick building. Space is also provided to oil companies whose crews leave three times a week from the airport to service the orrshore rigs.



OVERHAUL. Aransas Aviation employs a full crew of mechanics to service all kinds of airplane failures as well as perform preventitive maintenance and inspections. AAI shopmen can handle the most delicate and complex electronic repair and installations, as well as the basic overhauls. Here Al Martin begins an overhaul on one of the planes in the service the week before Thanksgiving.

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Wes Muecke: At 82, At Peace

Rain has turned the sky a pastel grey and coated the sidewalks and the leaves and softened all the colors of the yard. The old man's hand is soft as he says, "It's a good day for a murder. When it's wet like this the tracks dissolve and they can't be followed."

It is the measure of young men that they can weave a web from silence, and I wait in my way for Wesley Muecke to start of his own accord. He is 82 now, and there is nothing pending in his life. He knows what his life has been and how much it is worth.

He was one of 10 children born to a railroad engineer and a housewife, and life was not easy for him. In 1900 the family moved to Houston, a boom town of 55,000 then, and lived on a $65 a month salary in a $15 house. "If my father could find a house for $14 we moved. If he found one for $13 we moved again."

Muecke spoke German in his house and had no spare time to himself because of the family's size and the constant chores required to keep it going.

Despite the conflict of languages, Muecke did well in school and when he was in second grade, his father took him aside.

"I'll never forget the day my father asked me about my school," Muecke says, revelling in the story. "He asked me 'How you getting along in school, son?' I said, 'Fine.' He asked me, 'Can you read?' I said 'Yes.' 'Can you write?' I said 'Yes.' Then he said 'Well, son, can you do your arithmetic?' I said, 'Well, I know my multiplication tables.' And my father said, 'Good, I'll buy you a bike and you can go to work.' "

The next day, Muecke dropped out of school and went to work in a pharmacy as a messenger, delivery boy, sweeper and general hired hand, working 12 hours a day seven days a week at the age of seven. He made $2.50 a week and saw none of it because it went for nickel a quart milk and five cent bread to feed the 12 mouths in his family.

He worked as hard until he was 20 when he married a childhood sweetheart and took a steady job on the Ford assembly line in 1916.

When he signed on at Ford the line was turning out 12 Model T's a day to the waiting world, and when he left 32 months later the line was finishing 72 a day. "Motivation," he says with a smaile at the irony and the play of words, "was beginning to take hold."

At the beginning of the war, Muecke worked with the civil engineering crew that laid out Camp Ellington in Alcott, Texas, now part of Houston.

When that job played out after four months, he went to work as a hunter and fisherman for a commercial market. Nature was still a profligate in those days and he took what he could of 10 cent doves and 15 cents rabbits and five cent a pound fish.

In 1917 he wound up in Seabrook, Texas with a one-man skiff working for himself, trapping alligators in the marshes and bayous where the San Jacinto monument stands now.

"We got 50 cents a foot for the hides and it was legal then. When you killed a big 'gator you couldn't haul him out, and we had to cut them up and sell the meat to fishermen for crab bait.

"An alligator has a hole, a nest, and you know where it is by the tracks. I had a little fox terrier I'd put on the bank about 25 to 30 feet from the water. He would set up a howl and alligators like dogs. So that would draw the big 'gators out, and then it was up to me and my .3030 Winchester.

"That was big 'gators. For small ones we would go out at night with miners' helmets. You could see those big eyes shining at a distance, and all you had to do was go up and hit them with a hatchet."

He was a good trapper, and his business prospered. As profits came in, he plowed them back into the business, and became a guide for other hunters and fishermen. At one time he had 72 skiffs in Seabrook. He rented them for $2.50 each, furnishing the cane poles, bait and a tow to the reef. He guaranteed a catch. He took duck hunters out and guaranteed them the limit. "If they didn't kill them I would."

As the business grew even larger, he continued to reinvest in expansion and property. After approximately 20 years, he had more than 1,000 feet on the Seabrook waterfront and was spending his winters in Acapulco, Mexico before the jet set heard of it.

He owned fuel docks, a shipyard, a boat repair shop, seafoods, a barroom, a gift and souvenir shop and a snack bar. The businesses ran 24 hours a day with 32 employees. Good hand made $15 dollars a week. Boat operators, who did not work every day because of the weather, made $60-75 a month.

There was little competition in the boom years of the 20's, the depression years of the 30's and the war years. In the post war boom, competition began to make inroads but Muecke was definitely on top.

"I never had a million dollars," he says. "I never had half a million dollars. But at one time, I had a quarter of a million dollars in cold, hard cash."

He used the cash and the profits to buy up every offered piece of undeveloped land in Seabrook for several decades, a questionable policy at the time to many, but one that saved his financial life later.

Nature got the quarter of a million. Fire gutted his businesses one year, costing $125,000 above his $30,000 insurance.

After the rebuilding, he rearranged and improved his waterfront property for another $125,000 and then Carla came and wiped it all out.

The undeveloped land he had bought saved him. The land and



Wes Muecke

Lyndon Johnson, because NASA, the Houston space center, made him a well-to-do man again in the wake of the Carla tragedy.

Man dealt him a final blow a few years after Carla when the Seabrook oil field went in. Depletion of the field caused the land to drop six feet in eight years, and all the property Muecke had built his modest waterfront empire on then belonged to the Corps of Engineers instead of to Muecke. It had become, in less than a decade of exploitation, a navigable waterway instead of a waterfront.

Muecke's son, Tony, still lives in the Seabrook area, operating a seafood restaurant on an 11-foot concrete slab where his father's business once sat.

In 1970, Muecke came to Rockport to live and all but gave up his Acapulco home. "You couldn't pile enough gold in my yard to make me leave Rockport," he says, looking out at his plants and his immaculate yard and the wet joke of a day he knows won't last.

Rockport was no surprise to Muecke. Whenever he got a few spare days in Seabrook, he would come the 200 miles to sail and fish in local waters and enjoy the superb climate.

His return was macabre. He came here overweight, having sat around during the year after his retirement in 1970, and was prepared to die. He went to Doctor Pattillo and told him he had been given six months to live.

Pattillo told him to shut up and get a lawnmower and get to work in the yard. Pattillo also took Muecke off his medication and told him to come back in 30 days.

After 30 days Muecke felt better, and after six years he doesn't regret the recovery. Green plants fill the yard and creep up the sides of the house, around walls and up to ceilings. He grows all his vegetables, most of the fruit and dozens of flowers and cacti and plants of all kinds.

He gives away what he cannot use to various local organizations for bazaars and other activities. His extra money he gives to other organizations, girls homes and the Masonic Home (he is a 50 year Mason, of the 32nd degree).

Now, at 82, he has come full circle, through disaster to his yard's unquestioning abundance. His doctor says he doesn't have anything wrong with him that any other 50 year old man doesn't have, and he is content.

When he lived in Seabrook on the waterfront he worked as a sheriff's department deputy. During prohibition he used to go out at night with other boat owners to make a physical net for the rumrunners that operated off the coast.

The boats would flash the password, and look for the sign that would come back through the darknes. Every week, sometimes every night for months, a year, longer, the boats patrolled. He knew the bays like the "back of his hand." But the code never came back wrong. No one ever fled in fear.

"No one was ever caught," he says, and leans back, at rest, and peace.

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Port Aransas Marine Lab Welcomes Visitors

Students, laboratories, ships and scientists are busy at The University of Texas Marine Science Institute Marine Laboratory at Port Aransas--too busy, you might think, to be concerned with tourists and school children who want to learn a little more about the sea upon which humanity is increasingly dependent.

It's not so. Richard Tinnin of MSI Port Aransas has, among other responsibilities, the job of conducting more than 5,000 visitors each year through the labs and other facilities of the institute.

"Most of our visitors arrive during the winter months," Mr. Tinnin says. "Many visitors from the North winter on the Gulf Coast and often stop in to find out what is going on."

If casual visitors drop by during regular laboratory hours, Mr. Tinnin can give them a tour of the institute's facilities and tell them something about what is being done at one of the leading centers of marine research in the southern U.S.

Displays include aquariums with live specimens of fish commonly caught in the Port Aransas area, and also preserved specimens of crabs and other creatures found washed up on the beach.

"At present, we are making plans to expand the visitors' reception center," Mr. Tinnin says. "In the next few months I hope to have a slide show and additional displays depicting the work of the institute and the surrounding marine environment in which our scientists work."

A large portion of the 5,000 visitors whom Mr. Tinnin serves each year are high school and college students from throughout the country who visit the laboratory and actually use the MSI facilities.

"Almost every week throughout the winter months we are booked from Thursday through Tuesday with visiting student groups," he says. "This fall we have had visits from high school groups in Richardson and Lubbock, and later in the winter we will have a teacher and his class from a high school class in Nebraska. He has come down every winter for seven or eight years."

Mr. Tinnin explains that during the winter months school visitors may use the institute's dormitories, which are occupied only in the summer months when regular classes are held. During the weekends when the students are visiting, the institute's research vessels can be used by Mr. Tinnin to give the student visitors a taste of marine research.

Mr. Tinnin describes a typical class trip to Port Aransas as including a briefing on what facilities and research projects the laboratory conducts. Then the students are taken out on one of the smaller vessels to trawl for marine specimens.

"We generally drag the bottom at a depth of from 10 to 60 feet," Mr. Tinnin says. "I attempt to point out differences in the creatures gathered from various depths, what adaptations they have made to their different environments and how they fit into a food chain."

He explains that many of the specimens gathered are returned to the sea, but certain interesting creatures are taken back to the laboratory where the students can classify and preserve them.

"We have a great deal of flexibility in the type of activities the students can take part in," Mr. Tinnin says. "Some of the classes have been coming for years and their instructors come with a specific goal in mind and we accommodate them as best we can. Often, however, I tailor the program to their capabilities."

The Port Aransas area has a variety of biotopes, or environments, Mr. Tinnin says, and adds that he considers his role as simply "to get students to look around."

Most of the MSI's work with school groups is done in the winter months, but arrangements can be made if summer is the only time a group can visit. However, Mr. Tinnin cautions that summer visitors must make their own living arrangements since the facilities at MSI are used by regular UT students.

Casual visitors who just want to know what is going in modern oceanographic research and are curious about how scientific research is conducted are welcome at any time Mr. Tinnin says.

"I can give them a general overview of our operation here, or if they are interested in a specific area of research I can make special arrangements," he adds.

Information on how to schedule a visit, the facilities and accommodations available at MSI can be obtained by contacting Richard Tinnin, Marine Science Institute, Port Aransas, Texas 78373, or by calling him at (512) 749-6711.

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Johnson Wins Sales Award

Rockport resident Gary L. Johnson, 19 Sandpiper, Key Allegro Isle, has qualified for the top award of the Combined American Insurance Company for his outstanding sales and service to the public.

W. Clement Stone, president of Combined American and chairman of its parent company, the Combined Insurance Company of America, said that Johnson had attained the Grand Diamond level in the company's International Sales and Achievement Club given for "consistently outstanding sales records, which reflect not only a high degree of professional skill but also an understanding of the needs and problems of policyholders."

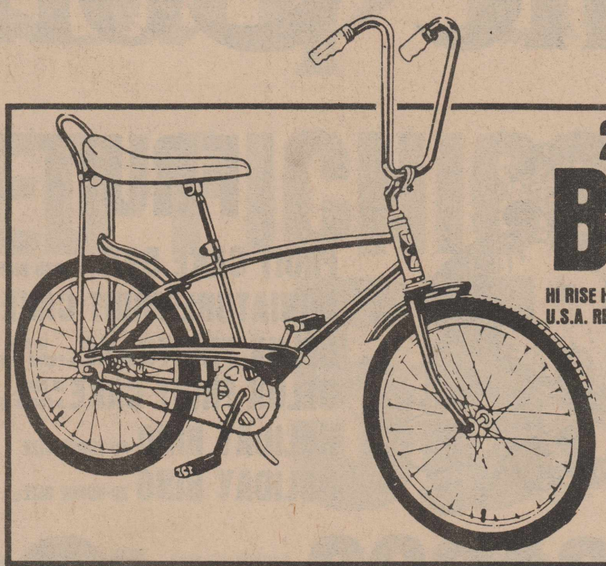
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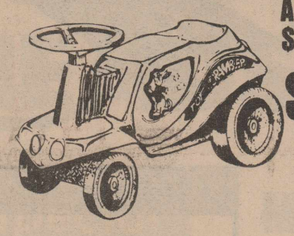
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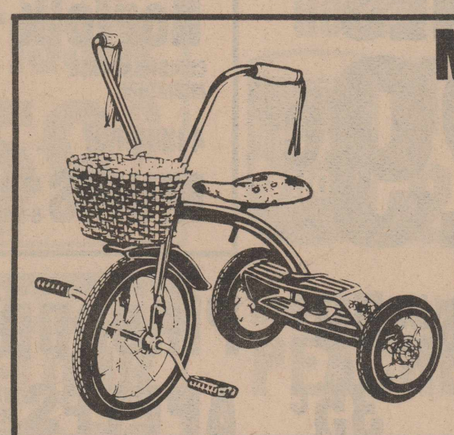
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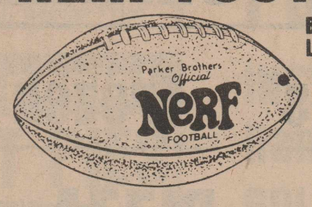
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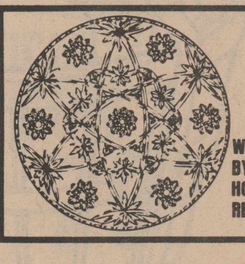


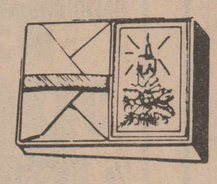
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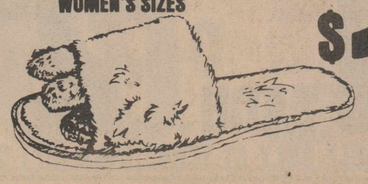
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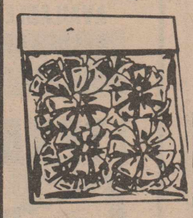

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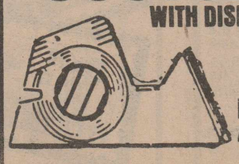
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First Quarter Honor Roll Announced

Some 110 students, or 17% of the student body have been placed on the honor roll for the first quarter grading period at Rockport-Fulton High School.

A student's name is placed on the honor roll when he or she achieves a grade average of 90 or above.

Forty-one seniors, or 33% of the senior class, are on the honor roll. They are: Deborah Fake, Melinda Hearn, Bonifay Evans, Annette Ledbetter, Jeff Dietze, Virginia Harder, Paul Jackson, Donna Franklin, Rebecca Hale, Teresa Veiss, Rhonda Barnette, Beverly Barnard, Chris Oliver, Sharon Hicks, Teresa Milks, Betty Green, Molly Hynes, Cynthia Schendel, Elizabeth Garcia, Regina Walker, Richard Ballou, Edward Driver, Rhonda Collins, Tammy Buras, Rena Lewis, Elizabeth Baldwin, Tina Hamilton, Bonny Jacobs, Jeff Crosby, Jena Miller, Harry Thomas, Sherri Longino, Scott Whitfill, Lillian Vargas, Leonor Cuellar, Rosie Galvan, William Barrow, Eugene Garcia, Valerie Rayburn, Steven Flanagan and John Picton.

Twenty-six juniors or 18% of the junior class members have had their names placed on the honor roll. They are: Cam Leonard, Lisa Fain, Wynne Armstrong, Sandra Bailey, Jennifer Stafford, Paul Harris, Mike Vermillion, Jerry Dozier, Donna Janota, Vicky Henneke, Kathryn Brock, Otho Evans, Jr., Judy Thomas, Penny Rossman, Tracy Sparkman, Betsy Gordon, Collin Barnes, William Adams, Bruce Barre, Robert Rhotenberry, Jan Foster, Richard Sharp, Nancy Duggan, Alex Galvan, Jerry Lewis and Robert Smith.

Thirty sophomores or 18% of the sophomore class members have had their names placed on the honor roll, They are: Dawn Whitfill, Mary Ballou, Bernardo Flores, Jesse Robertson, Victoria Stafford, Rebecca Arthur, Rebecca West, Lo-Tsen Luce, Bryan Bracht, Erin Falk, Chris King, Susan Mosier, Barbara Allen, Mona Smith, Janet Schnepp, James Cruser, David McCready, Mike Montague, James Garrison, Mark McGlathery, Ted Targosz, Elizabeth Lopez, Hallie Gorham, Kevin Morgan, Barbara Baldwin, Julie Miller, Luanne Little, Randy Reininger, Virginia Rossman and Jackie Walston.

Thirteen freshmen or 6% of the freshmen class members have had their names placed on the honor roll. They are: Lisa Smith, Kyle Johnson, Nancy Renee Fair, Reagan Little, Vicki Guillette, Anna Solis, Mollie Davis, Julia Adams, Arvin Thornton, Lu Cinda Hamon, David Smith, Terry Gastauer and Joe Black.

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By Caycee Kate

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The REACT team had their first meeting Nov. 11, 1976. The new officers are to serve through the 1977 year. The newly elected members are: Chairman Marsha Carter, "Lady Bartender;" Vice-Chairman Melvin Mills, "Windmill;" the recorder is Lynne Edwards, "Black Diamond" and Quartermaster is Darlene Mills, "Lady Windmill." Twenty-four hour monitoring of Channel 9 will begin Nov. 19, 1976. Members voted to wear the REACT patch over the left breast of their ACCB jacket. Anyone interested in joining this great team must join the ACCB Club as the Charter is part of its organization.

Hey! members, don't forget Nov. 16, 1976 is our next pot-luck supper. We will meet at the Airport Recreational Center at 7:30 p.m.

Remember that scavenger hunt? Well, you folks that didn't stop in front of the bandshell and read what M.B. wrote, you don't know anymore than I do. It's evident some hunters did. The trophy winners were Jewel Clinton, "Pop Corn Machine;" Brett Ashley, "Red Dog;" and Darlene Mills, "Lady Windmill." Some people are so smart.

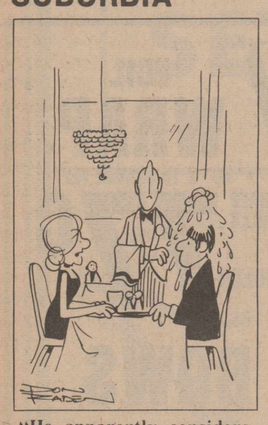
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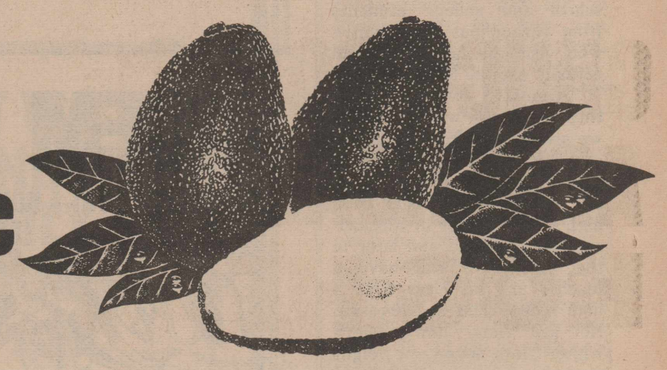
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TV Commercials Sway Children

Children who are "moderate" television viewers are exposed to approximately 200 hours of commercials in a year, says Claudia Mitzel, a consumer information specialist.

During this time 22,000 ads are aired for toys, floor polishes, cereals, soft drinks, beer, detergents, vitamins and drugs. One advertiser estimates that $400 million per year is spent on television commercials directed at children. And it's an investment that pays off, Miss Mitzel said.

She is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Research shows that mothers who were surveyed spent about $1.66 weekly extra at the grocery because of requests from their children for special products or brands. This adds up to $1.5 billion per year on grocery store retail sales.

"Parents and teachers are becoming increasingly concerned over the effect of advertising on children. Consumer activists argue that advertising takes unfair advantage of a child's lack of sophistication, produces misinformation about nutritional needs and increases tension between parent and child," the specialist noted.

Preschool children are not capable of establishing priorities, determining the relative importance of certain items, evaluating the quality of a product or assessing their own nutritional needs--yet children continue to be the focus of millions of advertising dollars, she continued.

"There has been some action to reform the advertising directed at children," the specialist said.

"Two consumer activist groups, Action for Children's Television (ACT) and Council on Children, Media and Merchandising (CCMM) are pressuring the Federal Communication Commission and the Federal Trade Commission to enforce guidelines on advertising directed at children. But the problem continues.

"What can parents do? First become familiar with commercials by watching television for four or five hours one Saturday morning. Carefully listen to what is being said and what may be implied. Evaluate what your child is learning from the advertisements--are these the values you are teaching?

"Next, write to the manufacturer's address on the product packaging or labeling or ask a retailer to help you find it," she suggested.

Finally, if you do have a complaint about deceptive advertising, file it with the Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580. Or if it is a local advertiser, write to the Attorney General's Office, Consumer Protection Division, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, the specialist said.

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Vets To Receive Increase

A seven percent increase in monthly benefit rates for Veterans Administration pensioners, plus increases in the annual income limits on which the pensions are based, becomes effective Jan. 1, 1977. The pension changes were approved by the President on Sept. 30.

Affected are about a million veterans and 1.6 million veterans' survivors receiving VA pensions, Ted W. Myatt, VA Regional Director, pointed out.

The increases are estimated to cost $432 million in fiscal year 1977.

Income limitations were raised as follows: To $3,540 for veterans of surviving spouses without dependents and to $4,760 for those with dependents under the current program; to $3,100 and $4,460 for those under the prior pension law, and for parents under the dependency and indemnity compensation program, the limits were raised to $3,540 for a single parent and $4,760 for parents living together or with a spouse.

The maximum unearned income limitation for children entitled under the current pension program was increased $190 to $2,890.

A significant addition to the new law provides for a 25 percent added differential to all pension rates for eligible veterans who are 78 years of age or older. Primary beneficiaries of this provision are some 318,000 World War I veterans whose average age is 80.

Aid and attendance rates for veterans on the pension rolls was increased by $22 to $155 and the housebound rate by $4 to $57. For surviving spouses on the pension rolls, parents receiving DIC payments and surviving spouses and parents receiving death compensation, the aid and attendance rate was increased to $74.

Another new provision permits payment of a reduced aid and attendance monthly allowance to eligible veterans whose pension payments are denied or terminated because annual income exceeded the statutory limitation by less than $500.

Pensions are paid to wartime veterans who are totally disabled from nonservice-connected causes if they are disabled before age 65 and come within income limits.

The pension bill also makes permanent an eight percent increase in monthly pension payments enacted last year with an Oct. 1, 1976, expiration date.

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County Farms Fewer, Smaller, But Production Up

Aransas County farms are bucking a national trend toward fewer but larger farms.

Figures released recently by the U.S. Department's Bureau of the Census show 20 farms with sales of $2,500 or more, down by five since 1969. These farms decreased in size during that time period from 1,944 to 1,153 acres. A jump in the value per acre, from $100 to $179, however, resulted in a modest rise in the average per farm value from $195,098 to $205,866.

The figures do not mean a critical situation, but they are evidence of the effect the introduction of major industry and residential development can make in marginal farming areas.

Aransas-San Patricio Agricultural Agent D.W. Pawlik, calls the situation "unique" in the Coastal Bend area, and says it has resulted from the introduction of Reynolds Aluminum on the west side of Aransas Bay, and the prodigious growth of residential development in all areas of the county.

"Some of the farmers have simply had to move," adds Pawlik. "They've always had their problems. Some of the land is very difficult to farm. It's good grass land, but for row crops it's marginal in a lot of cases."

Pawlik says those who do ranch and farm in the area are making significant progress. The market value of all agricultural products sold in Aransas County in 1969 was $475,000. In 1974 it was $553,000, or a negligible $78,000 increase.

But if Pawlik's 1976 estimates are correct, Aransas County farms, fewer in number and smaller than in either 1969 or 1974, will produce almost $800,000 in agricultural products, an increase of almost $250,000 in just two years.

The increase comes from an increase in nursery products value, an increase in livestock and hay production.

Those production areas took up the slack created by the destruction of a large portion of the county grain crop by recent rains. Pawlik predicts that a yield of 2400 pounds per acre would be excellent for most farms this year because of the flood conditions. The average yield per acre in surrounding counties is almost 2800 pounds per acre.

Area farmers recently became eligible for emergency loans from the Farmers Home Administration after a request by County Judge John Wendell in the wake of heavy rains July 6 through July 15.

Aransas also trails most surrounding counties in cotton production despite a jump in the price. Farmers devoted just 358 acres to cotton in 1975, and received less than the average yield per acre of one bale.

Production in the county continues to be divided almost equally between livestock and their products, and crop sales, including nursery products, and hay and forest products.

In 1974, the last year for which comprehensive figures are available, the county produced $246,000 in livestock and related products, and $289,000 in the various crop sales.

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Tax Audits Uncover $183,246

Comptroller Bob Bullock announced Friday, Nov. 26, his Corpus Christi Enforcement Office collected $463,122 in taxes during the first two months of the current fiscal year (September and October). Audits by the office yielded $183,246 in additional taxes owed the state.

Bullock said the office conducted 51 audits in September and October, yielding an average $183 in additional taxes owed the state per audit hour.

The Comptroller's 36 district offices collected a total of $9,777,919 in taxes for the two months and uncovered through audits $5,112,000 in additional taxes owed the state.

The Corpus Christi office, headed by Teodoro Gonzales, is located at 4435 Gollihar Road, and is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The telephone number is 853-0341.

The Corpus Christi office serves Nueces, Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Live Oak, San Patricio and Jim Hogg Counties.

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Social Events Planned At Trailer Park

Coming events at the Trav-Trail-R Inn include a cribbage tournament, a potluck supper, a game night and an "ice cream social."

The Inn's "Cackle Club" for women has held two meetings, one hosted by Flossie Carter and Nita Gustafson, the other by Vi Freeberg and Sally Irvine.

Tuesday, Nov. 30, the Inn held a "Ladies' Day Out" at a local restaurant.

The Thanksgiving dinner at the Inn was hosted by Mrs. Peggy Meyer. Mr. Paul Rehnberg gave the invocation.

New arrivals at the Inn include Flossie and Frank Carter, Oklahoma; Howard and Limmian Jordan, Indiana; John and Clara Freeman, Illinois; Jack and Sue Narigon, Iowa; Dorothea and James Carter, Minnestoa; Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Alley, Texas; Vern and Pearl Smith, Kansas; and Wilbur, Dorothy and "Gidget" Compton, Michigan.

Visiting Ruth and Barney Freeman were their daughter Patti and her husband, Dr. Vernon Hermson, Temple, Texas.

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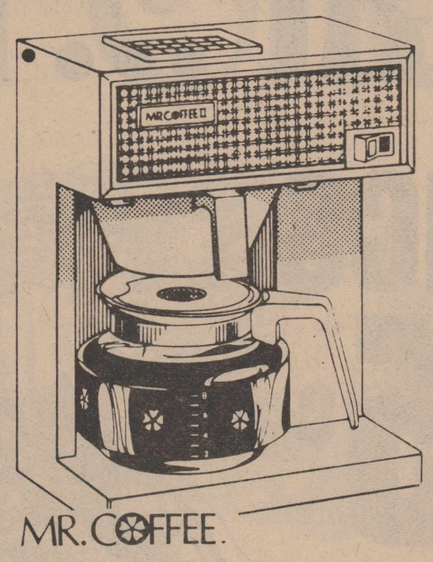
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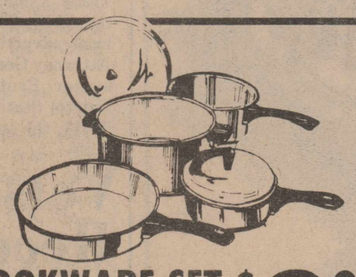
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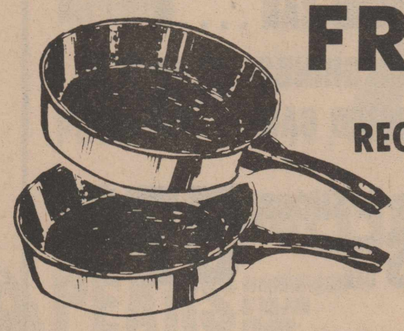
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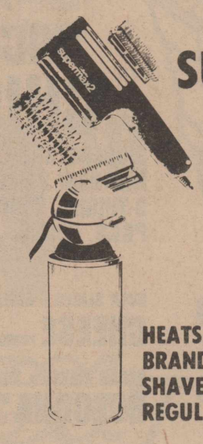


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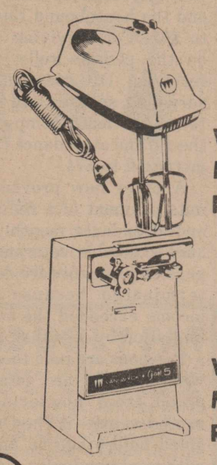


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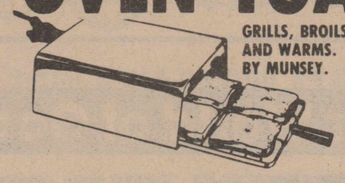
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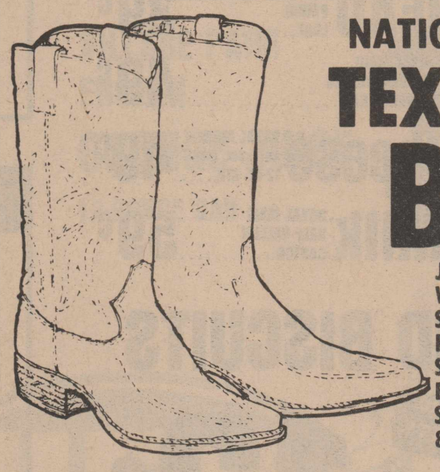


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Wednesday, Dec. 8
Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Tossed Green Salad, Bread, Fruit Gelatin and Milk.

Thursday, Dec. 9
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Friday, Dec. 10
Surfburgers, Potato Gems, Lettuce, Pickles, Onions, Buns, Fruit Cobbler and Milk.

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



MORE LEASES. Employees in the County Clerk's office have been swamped lately with oil leases from various firms. Last month, the Perry R. Bass Company of Ft. Worth spent several thousand dollars recording 700 leases on land inside the city limits. Last week, Houston Oil and Minerals, which has drilled wells recently in Aransas Bay, submitted another 140 for recording. In addition, the office is handling several indentures of mortgages, and the usual deed filing and clerical work. Here, Fran Gudim, L, and Val Jean Eaton copy a stack of HO&M leases.

Interest Rate Ceiling Drops For GI Home Loans

The third decrease in the GI home loan interest rate ceiling this year was announced recently by Administrator of Veterans Affairs, Richard L. Roudebush.

The new maximum rate, effective Oct. 18, is eight percent, a reduction from 8.5 set on Mar. 30. The rate had been decreased from nine percent to 8.75 on Jan. 5.

For a veteran buying a home with a 30-year, $30,000 GI loan, the .5 percent decrease lowers the monthly payment by about $10.50. It could result in a savings of almost $3,800 over the life of a 30-year loan, Roudebush said.

The rate change does not affect existing loans. Once a loan is made, the interest rate remains the same for the life of the loan.

The eight percent rate was agreed upon jointly with the Department of Housing and Urban Develpment. An increased supply of mortgage money is the principal reason for the lower interest rate, Roudebush said.

The VA guarantees loans made by private lenders to eligible veterans, unmarried surviving spouses and active-duty military people. During fiscal year 1976 the VA guaranteed almost $10 billion in home loans, a record dollar volume.

More than 9.5 million veterans have obtained over $129 billion in loans to purchase homes under the VA loan guaranty program since its inception in 1944.

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Avoid Fast Buck Mail Schemes

If you read ads like "Make easy money at home, send $3 for details," do you obey their command?

If so, you may be defrauded, says Claudia Mitzel, consumer information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"This type of ad may be one of many that defrauds consumers seeking to supplement their incomes at home," she added.

Dishonest ads for business opportunities may promise payment for at-home work only to send the hapless consumer a letter on how to start his own mail order business or inform him he must pass a test or pay a registration fee before qualifying, she explained.

"Frequently the victims are homemakers with young children at home, shut-ins, elderly persons and the unemployed.

"Unfortunately, many consumers who fall prey to these schemes never complain because of the small amount of money lost. But these small amounts add up when there are tens of thousands of responses," she said.

Before investing in a work-at-home opportunity, be cautious if:

--the advertisement promises large profits for little work,

--the ad requires you to send money to receive further information,

--the ad tells you that no experience is necessary,

--the company will not supply the names of other employees so that you can check on their experience,

--you are required to buy and then resell a product at a profit; the item may be of poor quality and unsaleable.

"If you do plan to invest in a work-at-home plan, call your local Better Business Bureau or Retail Merchants Association to find out if the company has a good reputation. Always think twice before paying for the chance to work," she reminded.

Grand Opening
Dec. 1
New store at 209 S. Austin downtown Rockport featuring children's apparel from tots to teens & selected quality gifts.
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Community Calendar

Community Concern Center, 206 N. Magnolia, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 729-7722.

Council on Aging, 206 N. Magnolia, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 729-5352.

Castaways, 1001 Concho, Mon., Tues. and Thurs., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Wed., Fri. and Sat., 9 to 11 a.m.

Friday, Dec. 3

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m.,V.F.W. Hall.

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Saturday, Dec. 4

Flea Market, Bazaar and Bake Sale, at Mobile Inn Trailer Park, Hwy. 35 North, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free coffee.

Sunday, Dec. 5

Church of your choice.

Monday, Dec. 6

Boy Scout #49, 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Brownies #461, 3:45 p.m., Girl Scout House.

Evening TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) weigh-in 6 to 6:40 p.m., I.O.O.F. Hall. Meeting 7-8 p.m.

Woman's Club of Aransas County card party, 1:30 p.m. Club house on Hwy. 35 across from City Hall. Winter visitors & members invited.

Game Night, 7 p.m., Rockport-Fulton Tourist Ass'n, Airport Road.

Order of Eastern Star, 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Council on Aging, 10 a.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Troop #280, 7:30 p.m., Girl Scout House.

Fulton Lions Club. 7:30 p.m., Club House.

Tuesday, Dec. 7

Weight Watchers, 6:45 p.m., Catholic Hall, Pearl St.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Bishop Elliott Conference Center.

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Bishop Elliott Conference Center.

I.O.O.F. Lodge #342, 8 p.m. I.O.O.F. Bldg.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Key Allegro Community Center. Call 729-5371 if you would like to play.

Game Night, sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary of Fulton Fire Dept., 7:30 p.m., Paws & Taws Bldg., Fulton Beach Rd.

Young Homemakers, 7 p.m., High School Homemaking Dept.

Troop #469, 3:45 p.m., Girl Scout House.

Cadettes, 7:30 p.m., Girl Scout House.

Club House 55, 1:30 p.m., Aransas Pass Bowling Lanes.

Hospital Foundation Volunteer Workshop, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Encina Plaza, Market St.

V.F.W. Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Aransas County C.B. Ass'n, 7:30 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce, 12 noon. Call 729-6445 for place.

Navigation Dist. Board, 7:30 p.m., Navigation Bldg.

Copanoakers, 7 p.m. Lee Miller Community Center, Holiday Beach.

Golden Age Club, 6:30 p.m., Methodist Fellowship Hall, Senior Citizens invited for covered dish and games.

Wednesday, Dec. 8

Hospital Foundation Volunteer Workshop, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Encina Plaza.

Girl Scout Troop #448, 3:45 p.m., Girl Scout House.

Rotary, 12 noon, Sandollar.

G.I. Forum, 7:30 p.m., Forum Bldg.

LULAC, 7:30 p.m., Catholic Hall.

Explorers Post #49, 7:30 p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Loyal Order of Moose Booster, 7:30 p.m., Courthouse. Call 729-1175 for information.

A.A.R.P. Chapter #1536, 9:30 a.m., Paws & Taws Bldg., Fulton Beach Rd. Installation of new officers.

Thursday, Dec. 9

Rebekah Lodge, 8 p.m., I.O.O.F. Hall.

A.A.R.P. sponsors Bridge and Canasta party, 1:15 p.m., Paws & Taws Bldg., Fulton Beach Rd. Donation 75 cents per person. Refreshments and prizes.

TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) weigh-in 6:20 to 7:30 p.m. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 412 Live Oak St. Call 729-7861 for information.

V.F.W. Game Night, 7:30 p.m., V.F.W. Hall.

Brownies #431, 3:45 p.m., Girl Scout House.

A.A.R.P. sponsors dance, 7 p.m., Paws & Taws Bldg., Fulton Beach Rd. Donation 50 cents per person. Refreshments.

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Vet Training Time Extended

Veterans enrolled in GI Bill training are eligible for up to an additional nine months training Ted W. Myatt, Director of the Houston Veterans Administration Regional Office, said recently.

The Veterans Education and Employment Assistance Act of 1976, signed into law by President Ford October 15, increased the training entitlement for thousands of veterans who have not reached their 10-year delimiting date, Myatt said.

Effective Oct. 1, 1976, the law extended entitlement to 45 months for veterans, if they have served at least 18 months on continuous active duty after Jan. 31, 1955.

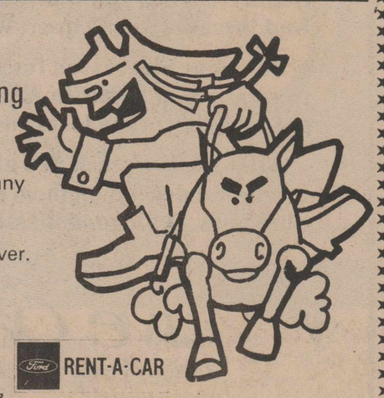
Previously, basic entitlement was 36 months. An additional nine months was available only if the GI Bill student was pursuing an undergraduate college degree.

Unchanged is the 10-year delimiting date. Veterans retain eligibility for 10 years after release from active duty or until Dec. 31, 1989, whichever is earlier, Myatt explained.

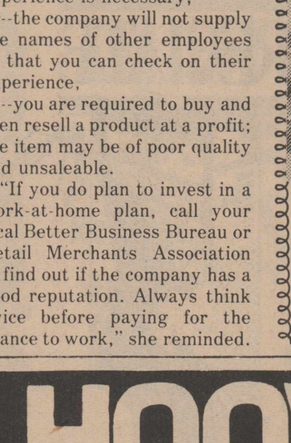
The new law also provided an eight percent increase in monthly allowances for all training offered by the GI Bill, except flight training, effective Oct. 1, 1976. A single veteran attending school full time receives $292 monthly. If the student has one dependent, the rate is $347; two dependents, $396. For each additional dependent, the monthly rate is increased by $24.

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Comptroller Predicts Surplus

Comptroller Bob Bullock announced Tuesday, Nov. 23, that the 65th Legislature will have available to it 34 percent more money--or $2.9 billion more--when it convenes in January than did the last Legislature.

"Due to a boom in the Texas economy," said Bullock, "we have increased our estimate of the general revenue cash surplus to $949.4 million. That's how much money will be in the till on Aug. 31, 1977, the last day of the current biennium."

Looking beyond to the 1978-79 biennium--the period from Sept. 1, 1977 through Aug. 31, 1979--the Comptroller estimates there will be $11.4 billion available from all major funds, including the surplus.

Bullock said the projected revenue from all funds is $16.2 billion.

"I'm not saying the 65th Legislature has $2.9 billion more to spend," Bullock emphasized. "The Legislators make those decisions: they can use the money for new programs, for expanding existing ones, for a capital reserve fund or they can return some of it to Texans in the form of tax cuts."

He said a dramatic rise in tax collections--led by the sales tax, up nearly 17 percent over last year, the motor vehicle sales tax, up 33 percent, the franchise tax, up 28 percent, and the inheritance tax, up 22 percent--brought the increased estimate.

Bullock noted, however, that the estimate lists numerous potential actions at the state, federal or international level that could change the estimate up or down. A new estimate will be issued if the figures change significantly, he added.

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Hunters are now finding out where the birds "ain't."

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It's not necessary to prime an alert mind with alcohol.

The Sunshine Road

By Homer V. Faber

The big travel homes of Texas' winter visitors have become a familiar sight during the past ten years to area residents. I was surprised to hear, during a recent conversation, some comment to the effect that these people really meant little to the community since they "brought in all their own food, took out fishing licenses, competed with the local fisherman and never spent a dime."

This is an attitude that has found some degree of credence among those of an older generation but is to the more astute observer an obvious fallacy. The writer suggests that when an opportunity presents itself to visit one of the wanderhomes favored by our 'sun-birds', accept with alacrity. You are in for an experience that is hard to imagine.

The modern travel home is a development of the last few years and bears little resemblance to the recreational trailer that most of us are familiar with. They are large--most of them ranging in length from 26' on up to 35' in length. They are not designed to sleep or serve a large family but are oriented primarily to the couple of retirement years. They are an extension of the home that each couple knew during their years of career and family. You will sometimes see the smaller recreational unit but in most cases these belong to the neophyte who will soon find out that the added length means comfort and safety.

These wanderhomes are, in effect, compacted homes with the comforts and amenities to which their owners are accustomed. Large, roomy bathrooms are functional. Bedrooms usually feature twin beds rather than the double bed of earlier years, the kitchens would make any bride gasp with pleasure and the luxurious sofa and rocker, soft lights, TV cabinet and dining facilities make harsh, stormy winter nights a joy to experience.

The words 'travel trailer' (or motorhome) are descriptive, but do little to picture the fact that they are truly homes, each with the character of its owners indelibly imprinted into its decor and arrangements. There are literally hundreds of thousands of retired American--and Canadian, too--seniors who have tried the wanderlife on wheels, sold their home back home, and turned to the exciting and unbelievable sunshine road. These fortunate couples find their late years filled with new beauties of scene, new adventures in friendship, new experiences with nature in all its fascinating aspects and a return to that deep personal relationship that most couples had thought to be gone forever.

When you enter such a home, you will recognize that here exits a mode of life that in some ways goes back to less hurried days and more basic qualities. While a TV is certainly standard, its use is limited. Only those couples who enjoy each other can long remain part of this life. The fault-finders, the naggers, the chronic complainers, the selfish, find this existence intolerable and reject it before long. Those who remain are warm, loving individuals, characteristics that are expressed in their enjoyment of their fellows and their readiness to share their time and efforts when needed.

While we here in Rockport probably see more of those who do enjoy our beaches and water activities, surveys actually show that only about five percent of such retirees indicate that they would enjoy fishing and only about one percent go to the trouble of making fishing a part of their regular activities. For every avid fisherman there are about fifteen who consider bird watching to be their major interest. Probably twenty percent of our retirees class themselves as rockhounds, finding their pleasure as much in the hiking and exercise of outdoor activity as in the actual collecting of rock and mineral specimens. It is not uncommon today to find a piano or organ carefully designed into some trailer homes. Music seems to be a common denominator of all and many fabulous collections of music that a couple loves, have been taped and provide an almost constant background to daily life. Most couples have a good camera, too--sharing their adventures in a rolling home with the children and grandkids back home helps keep family ties close and deep, despite distances.

No matter what you might think, full-time trailer life or even the extended trips of the part-timer, do cost money. Only in affluent America is such an existence possible. Even its days may be limited. But most of those you see and meet do have excellent incomes, ranging from $600 a month upward, the average probably being about $1100. Their complete rigs, as they are called, involve a minimum of $10,000 for unit and tow vehicle and in the case of motorhomes and the small run-about they usually tow, can reach into figures of $40,000 or more. The average nice trailer home today will cost about $10,000 although there are some prestigious brands that reach $18,000. The tow vehicles are usually a large passenger car or suburban because of their ability to carry friends (sharing) although some trucks are found and a late developing unit, the van, standard or converted to a camping model, is becoming popular.

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If you were born this week: *Most people find it hard to lasso your free spirit, but once you feel those loops of love, you calm down considerably. You'll never be what is called "lady-broke", but one with some experience will find you delightful! And intriguing. But never boring!*

ARIES (3/21-4/19): 'Tis the season, Aries, and you have more than your usual quota of good cheer. Spread it around — lavishly! Romance finds you willing, even eager. You've never needed mistletoes as an excuse, and you don't need it now! Week's end sees you getting down to basics.

TAURUS (4/20-5/20): You're in your element as you joyfully attend both social and service functions. Your warm generosity leads you to do something especially nice for one near you this week. Later, Taurus, you begin decking those halls with boughs of love. Week ends with a toast to Venus!

GEMINI (5/21-6/20): Sam never met a Gem who wasn't constantly busy with a trillion projects. This time of year always brings its own hectic pace. Add busy and hectic and you get a frantic, frenetic Gem! Pause and plan this week, and with luck, you'll be only SEMI-frantic! Week ends with a hug!

MOONCHILD (6/21-7/22): Whatever pressures are put on you, Moonbaby, this is a week to do your own thing. Take a firm stand and ignore static! Midweek holds monied interest, and an invitation arrives before week is out. Goody!

LEO (7/23-8/22): There's an old saying that it's not what you know, but who you know that determines success. You have lots of 'what,' smart li'l lion, but it's your famous Leo charm that turns on the 'whos'! Purr, baby, purr!

VIRGO (8/23-9/22): What you want may not coincide with what others want, putting you in a tightrope situation. You keep your balance, but barely! Later, bells peal to herald in new love interest. The red carpet welcomes, and then turns into the magic carpet. Enjoy the ride, Virgo!

LIBRA (9/23-10/23): A killjoy threatens to snow on your parade. If you can't cheer him up, pop some corn and chain 'im up! Then, St. Nick makes an early visit, gifting you with a full social AND romantic calendar! Yippee!

SCORPIO (10/24-11/22): Avoid flying off the handle with one you love, Scorp. Practice understanding, in all senses of the word! Then, financial interest centers around a domestic matter. Week closes with peace — for the moment!

SAGITARIUS (11/23-12/21): You're bright-eyed and bushy-tailed this week, Sag! And though it's far from being Spring, the mating urge can hit anytime — like right now. You're ready, willing and able, and so is another. Ho, ho, ho!!!

CAPRICORN (12/22-1/19): Don't allow a tempest in a teapot to turn into a full-scale war, Cappy. Remember, all things in perspective. You usually keep your generous nature hidden behind a thrifty facade. Let it romp this week!

AQUARIUS (1/20-2/19): People, parties, and pet projects highlight your week. Chance meeting with man of influence can put you farther on road to goal. Later, an S.O.S.., an R.S.V.P., and a T.K.O. (ouch!). Good luck, Aquarius!

PISCES (2/20-3/20): Twosome activity gets your week off to a sexy start, Pisces. Then, you receive a broad hint. Act on it; you won't be sorry. Week continues with a new face, a burst of temper, and an angel. How's that for a grab bag?!

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