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THE ROCKPORT-FULTON HIGH SCHOOL Pirate Band braved the wind and freezing temperatures Thursday morning to squeeze in some more practice time before leaving Saturday morning for the Cotton Bowl Parade in Dallas. The RFHS Pirate Band, along with drill team and flag corps, will be the only high school band from Texas at the Cotton Bowl. Here, the band practices on the road along Rockport Beach, trying to make the practice as close as possible to the real thing. For the complete story and pictures of the Cotton Bowl trip, see the midweek edition of The Pilot.

(Photo by Leslie Abrams)

Drainage ditch project outlined

By LESLIE ABRAMS
Staff writer

Aransas County Surveyor T.E. Griffith notified the Aransas County commissioners Wednesday of the possibility of the county digging a large drainage ditch in Precinct 1-1A to help alleviate drainage problems.

Griffith told the commissioners that the county needs to purchase right-of-way along 34 pieces of property in the precinct in order to dig a 5,900-foot drainage ditch. The ditch would most likely begin just south of the Carbon Black plant off of Hwy. 35.

The surveyor told the commissioners that they will have to hire someone to contact all 55 owners of the property and that they may want to hire an appraiser to determine fair market value of the right-of-way to be purchased.

"Looking into the future, we're (the county) going to be faced with providing drainage along the Hwy. 35 bypass," Griffith told the commissioners. He also told the court that the county is presently working on another drainage ditch in the Port Bay area, west of FM 1069.

Commissioner Mike Womack suggested that the item be placed on the agenda for the Jan. 9 meeting for further discussion.

A motion by Commissioner W.B. (Pete) Sanders, seconded by Commissioner John Lee, to grant the Aransas County Sesquicentennial Committee's request for $200 for advertising so Aransas County can become a designated Texas Independence Community was approved unanimously by the court.

The court also approved a motion by Commissioner Ray Longino to give property owners along Verne, Kossuth and Fuqua streets, between Bay and Market streets, the right to close and abandon county right-of-way on their property.

According to Griffith, lots in that area were originally laid out leaving a 100-foot right-of-way but over the years many homes had been built closer to the roadway, leaving only a 60-foot right-of-way. In some cases, the county right-of-way goes right through homes. Some of the owners are now having title problems as they are trying to buy or sell homes in the area and asked the county for permission to close and abandon 20 feet of the right-of-way on each side of the road.

"We really don't need the 100-foot right-of ways that we've got in the old part of town," Griffith stated.

Longino's motion to allow the property owners to close and abandon the right-of-way at their expense was unanimously approved.

The court gave final approval to the closing of a road between Blocks B and C in the Epps subdivision. Preliminary approval was given at the Dec. 12 meeting of the commissioners court. Preliminary approval was given to close and abandon a portion of the roadway in the Candlestick Park subdivision. The owner of the property wants to combine several unsold lots and make it commercial property. Cul-de-sacs would be put in where the roads are to be closed and no utility lines are involved.

Notable notes

'Same Time, Next Year'

The Allegro Women's Club will sponsor a one-night-only performance of Bernard Slade's comedy "Same Time, Next Year" by the Alpha Omega Players at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, at the Paws and Taws Building. Tickets are $7.50 and are available at the Rockport Area Chamber of Commerce or the Rockport-Fulton Tourist Association. Proceeds will go toward the Allegro Women's Club scholarship fund.

Volunteers sought

The Rockport Art Association needs help. Hundreds of spindles for the porch and outside trim of the O'Connor House must be sanded before they can be painted for the historic structure which will serve as the new art center. Anyone who would like to volunteer is asked to report to Estelle Stair's Art Gallery where the sanding work is being done seven days a week from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Approximately 100 spindles must be sanded.

Fashion show

A Fashion Show will be held from 7-9 p.m. Jan. 20 in the dining room of the Corpus Christi Nursing Center at 5607 Everhart Road, Corpus Christi. The show is sponsored by Sears Department Store, and fashions will be modeled by the nursing center residents and staff. The show will be free and open to the public.

Prints for life

The Prints for Life identification program begun by Eagle Scout candidate Dustin Wright in conjunction with the Aransas County Sheriff's Department will be fingerprinting area children on a voluntary basis from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, at Roaten's Drug Store in Rockport. Parental permission is necessay and parents will keep each set of prints made.

Fireworks sold

The Rockport-Fulton Soccer Association is operating a fireworks stand through Jan. 1 in the parking lot of Pearson's Nursery. All proceeds from the sale of fireworks will go to the Rockport-Fulton Soccer Association.

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For the midweek edition, 10 a.m. on the Monday preceding publication.

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For any special events or to schedule photographs, please notify us at least three days prior to the event.

Marine biologist says

Fish kill not serious in area

By PAGE JENNINGS
Staff writer

A recent spell of below-freezing weather that has resulted in major fish kills in many areas of the state has not seriously affected fish in Rockport, according to Marine Biologist Hugh Goodrich of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department here.

Goodrich said this week no major kills have occurred in Rockport. The fish kills that have been noted have been confined to select areas. To date, the St. Charles Bay area has had the greatest concentration with sea trout, silver perch and spotted trout being most abundant.

Many locals have been picking up the fish killed by the cold for personal consumption. In most instances, the State Department of Health advises that only living, healthy animals be used for human consumption.

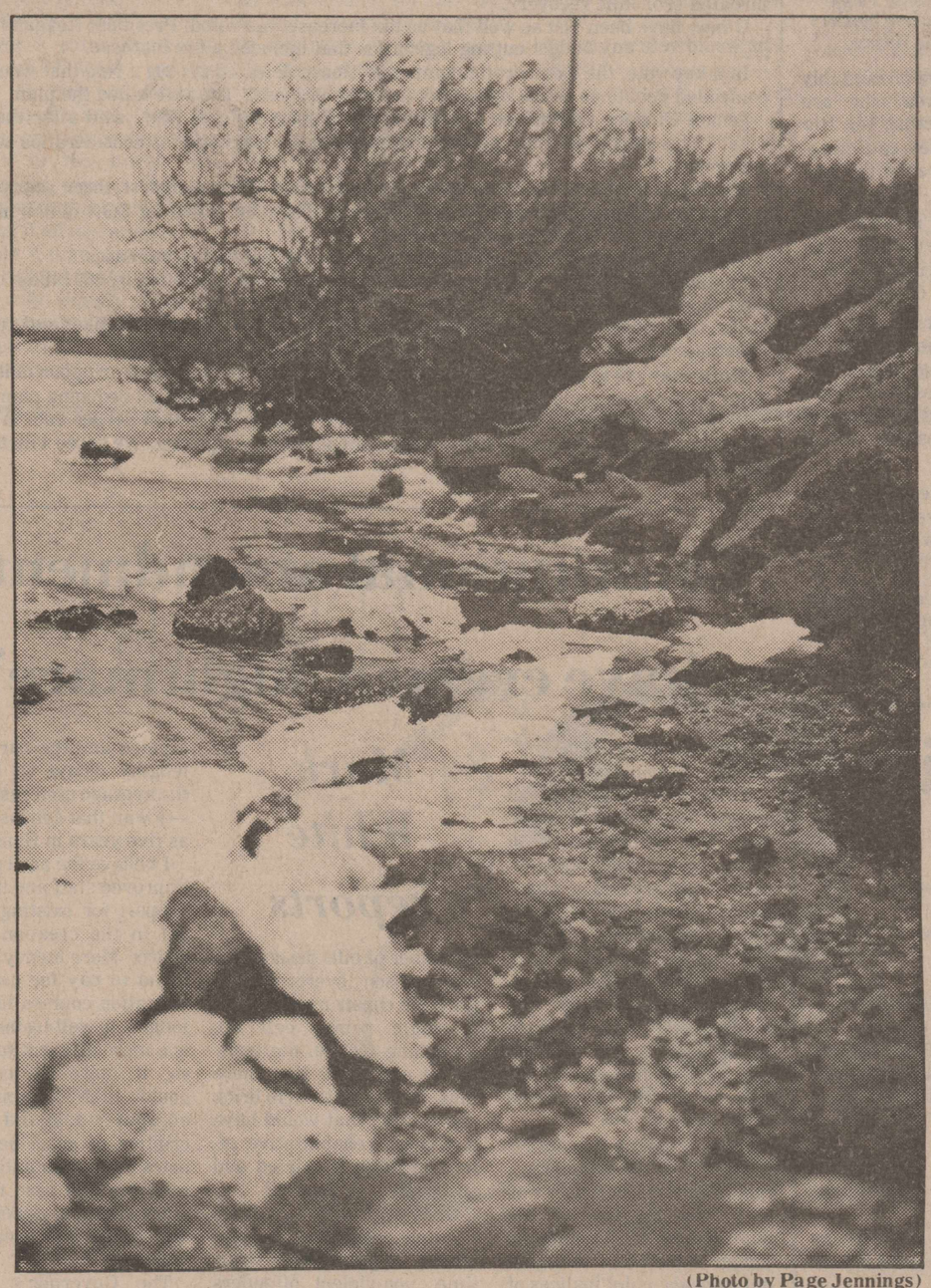
As long as the fish have been killed by the cold, it is all right to eat them. However, with temperatures climbing above freezing on Tuesday and Wednesday, fish may have been frozen initially, thawed and then refrozen causing a definite health hazard for individuals, health department personnel have said.

Lenwood L. Scholtz, assistant director of the Food and Drug Division of the Texas Department of Health in Austin has issued some precautions for individuals to use if picking kup dead fish. He suggests that one should first "determine if the fish died from hypothermia (subnormal body temperature to exposure to extreme temperatures). If the "internal temperature of the fish does not exceed 45 degrees F. and there is no sign of decomposition, then the fish should be safe to eat," he said. Lenwood also advises that "any fish harvested should be processed as rapidly as possible," and that "no preservatives should be used."

Basically, people should use their discretion in determining whether the fish looks as though it has not spoiled and would be edible, he said.

Individuals have been given the okay to eat the fish by state wildlife and health officials. However, requests from commercial fishermen to harvest the fish have been denied due to possible contamination or disease. It is unlawful to harvest and sell the fish, according to wildlife officials.

As far as how the kills will affect the future fish population, Goodrich said although his crew has been attempting to assess the fish kill damage and what the end results will be, "it is just to early to tell right now."



(Photo by Page Jennings)

NO FISH BUT plenty of ice still lined the shore in parts of Aransas County Thursday morning. Temperatures did get above freezing this week then plunged again as another arctic front blew through South Texas. More about the weather is on page 16a.

Offices, banks to close for holiday

Area government offices, banks and some businesses will be closed Monday, Jan. 2, in observance of the New Year's holiday.

Among the offices that will not be closed is Fulton's Town Hall which will be open for business as usual Monday.

Rockport's City Hall will be closed and the regular Monday garbage pickup will be made on Tuesday, Jan. 3. The regular Tuesday garbage pickup will be made on Wednesday.

The Rockport Area Chamber of Commerce will be closed Saturday, Dec. 31, through Monday.

All offices in the Aransas County Courthouse will be closed Monday, except the sheriff's office. The Rockport police will operate out of the sheriff's office and the police station will be closed.

Banks will be open Friday but closed Monday and the post office will be closed Sunday and Monday.

Area school children will remain on holiday until Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Also closed Monday will be the Rockport-Fulton Tourist Association office.

Federal, state elections highlight year for county voters

With the arrival of the new year, preparations are already being made for statewide, city and county elections.

In Aransas County, offices to be decided in 1984 include that of the county sheriff, county attorney, county commissioners in Precincts 1 and 3, all constables, one judge's seat in the newly created 343rd judicial district, the district attorney and the county tax assessor/collector.

County primaries will be held May 5 with a run-off election to follow June 2 if needed. Election day will coincide with the presidential election Nov. 6.

In the City of Rockport, posts held by Ward 1 Alderman Danny Adams, Ward 2 Alderwoman Betty Jean Ward and Mayor Burt Mills will be up for election.

Similarly, in Fulton seats held by Place 4 Alderman Leslie Cole Sr. and Place 6 Alderman Elgin Dietz, as well as the one held by Fulton Mayor L.E. Casterline, will all be decided.

Elections for both the City of Rockport and the Town of Fulton will be held Saturday, April 7.

The terms of three members of the Aransas County Independent School District board of trustees will also expire in April. The seats currently held by board members Polly Bracht, Jerry Brundrett Jr. and Ottie Mundine will be decided during the Saturday, April 7, election.

Looking at the state and national scenes, in November Texas residents will elect someone to fill the U.S. Senate seat of John Tower, who had decided to step down after more than 20 years of service. U.S. Rep. Bill Patman (14th district) will also be up for re-election this term.

Aransas County Clerk Val Jean Eaton has announced a workshop on Chapter 14 of the election code covering campaign practices, fund raising and advertising for all office holders, candidates and interested persons. Eaton said the workshop has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, Jan. 23.

See Elections, page 16a

Editorials & opinions

Telephone rates question facing Congress in 1984

Bill Patman reports

One of the most important issues facing Congress in 1984 will be how to hold local telephone rates to a reasonable level.

No one knows for sure what will happen to rates when American Telephone and Telegraph, AT&T, is broken up by court order Jan. 1.

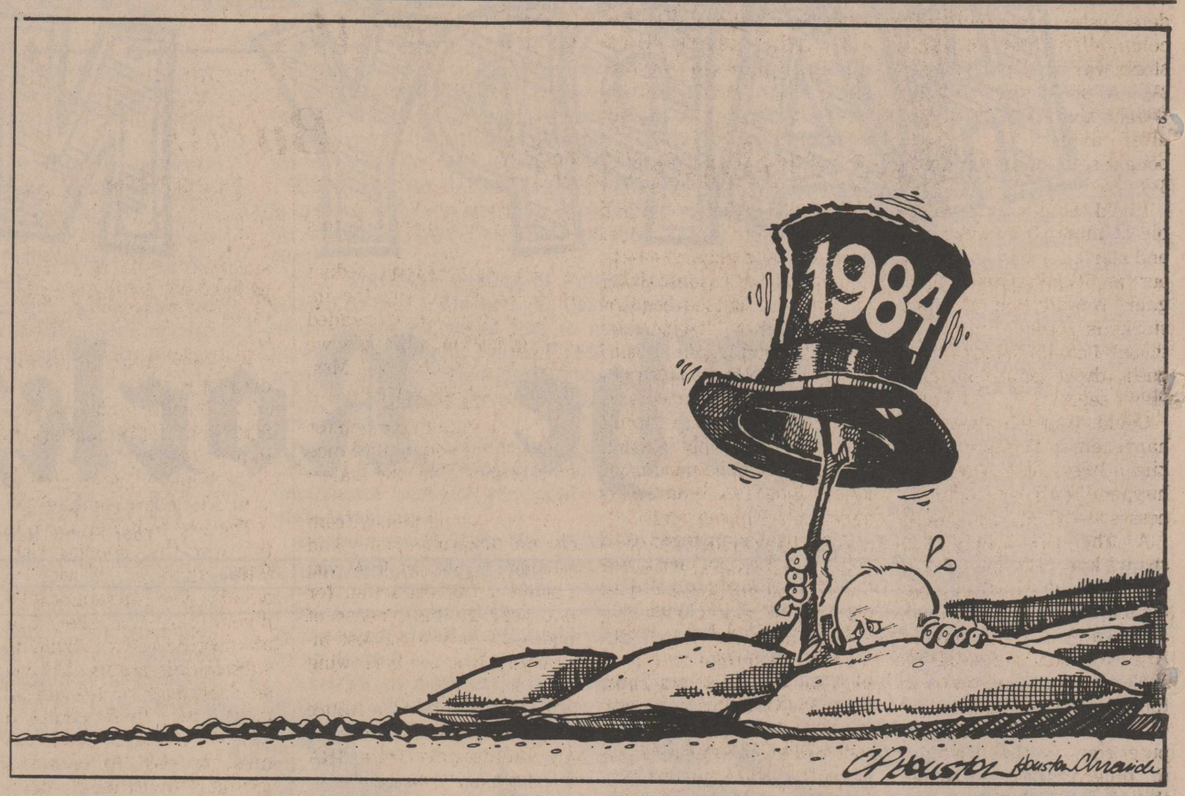
I supported a bill, which was passed by the House before Congress adjourned in November, that would block the Federal Communications Commission's plan for a flat monthly access charge for residential and small business phone users.

The access charge would be made automatically to help defray the cost of long distance service between states. The thing that's wrong with that idea is that every home and business would have to pay the charge regardless of whether any long distance calls were made.

Still worse, the plan calls for the access charge to be increased each year for the next three years. With the FCC also recommending that an access charge for long distance be imposed on within-state calls, monthly bills would soar.

In one area of our district, it's estimated the combined charges would boost the monthly basic charge for residential customers from $8.79 to $26.70.

The bill I voted for has gone to the Senate for consideration in the 1984 session.



Austin at Wharf

IN A CHAPTER WHICH examines the ethnic makeup of the United States, Theodore H. White, author of "America In Search of Itself," remarks of the tiny Connecticutt town in which he lives. The population is 1,600 with not a single resident who speaks Spanish, yet all ballots and political notices must appear in English and Spanish. Earlier he comments on the races and nationalities which have come to make up this country until they have become what he calls "plain Americans," people like myself or my children who are aware rather unconsciously and caring very little that English, German, French, Scots and Irish blood — and perhaps others — is in their veins.

Continuing, White observes that only Hispanic immigrants have come to demand that their language become the nation's "other" or "second" language and demanding that it be so accepted and taught in the public schools at the taxpayer's expense.

Concluding the chapter, White offers a disturbing opinion: "It is a miracle that American politics work at all; it would be an even greater miracle if this multiracial social split, cross-hatched by so many groups of special demands and special pleadings, should survive into the 21st century as one nation."

Most and more of the preceeding paragraph, including the quotation, I repeated to a friend a few days ago — a man with sufficiently less years than I and so, in a manner of speaking, more in harmony with trends of recent years. Especially with White's wondering about our surviving as "one nation," he was almost aghast. He called to my attention the lack of real leadership amongst Hispanics, noting as well that when any sort of leadership does come to the fore it is held suspect and with lack of trust from the people.

THE GENEROSITY OF AMERICANS is recognized by people throughout the world, even by those who hate us. At the same time, even our friends often regard this great human trait as foolhardy, sometimes to the point of downright stupidity.

Presently, because of our generous immigration laws and lack of effort to control illegal immigration, it is jeopardizing our future. Already it is long past time to close borders. Every day we fail to do so further threatens the future.

The other day I read an account of a group of presumably "plain Americans" in the Brownsville area who are "saving" Latin Americans who have fled across the Rio Grande. They are helping them hide until they can disappear, become absorbed within the shadowy area of the barrios.

These helpers are humanitarian in their instincts and motives. But what are they doing for the future of their country? Leading us to become a bilingual nation, risk the consequences of White's dire prediction for the 21st century?

There are perhaps those who will argue — citing the vast difference between the people of so many sections of the nation — that it might be just as well, a good thing, if the country were divided into several harmonious groups. And were I to answer them that such a circumstance would be the end of our greatness, as a world power, there are those who would answer: So what, what difference?

In reply I could only say that it frightens me to know that such people exist, and I am obliged to ask myself the question: How many of those people are there, how fast do their ranks grow? Faster than most of us suspect.

AND FOR A FINAL word — Lincoln said, "A nation divided can not stand." A nation divided by language is the most tragic of all divisions.

—ahab

Mayor throws political monkey-wrench

The Live Oak Peninsula philosopher

Editor's note: The Live Oak Peninsula philosopher on his grassburr ranch thinks he has found something that'll startle the country.

Dear editor:

My filing system, which consists of dropping newspaper and magazine clippings into a cardboard box for future use, works satisfactorily most of the time. But this time it has failed me.

The other day I tore out an item from a newspaper and, I thought, dropped it into the box. But now I can't find it.

It was about a mayor in some state — if I had the clipping I could say where — who has thrown a monkey-wrench into the whole political set up. City council members, elected at one salary, decided it wasn't enough and voted themselves a raise. Congress does it all the time. Then they voted to raise the mayor's salary from $28,000 a year to $34,000.

You're not going to believe this, but he turned it down. Said "I'm already paid enough," adding that $28,000 is enough for a mayor in a town of 9,000.

We ought to locate that man, capture him and exhibit him at the next World's Fair. He'd be a sensation.

No use taking him to Washington. Congress wouldn't want him around. In fact, security around him should be strong, as there are lots of towns, counties and state capitals where he wouldn't be welcome either.

He'd be considered one of the worst monkey-wrenches ever thrown into a grass-roots-to-Washington political machine that's well-oiled and purring along as though there's no bottom to a tax payer's pocket.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Congressional lack of action contributes to federal deficits

Unless Congress can work out an agreement when it reconvenes in January, there will be no tax increases to help fight mounting federal deficits.

In the waning hours of the just-adjourned session, Congress refused to consider $8 billion in tax hikes, eliminating any chance for counting the $200 billion annual budget deficits that threaten economic recovery.

It may have been just as well that no tax increase was voted. President Reagan has said he would veto any budget-cutting legislation that included a tax increase.

In a key vote, the Democratic-dominated House defeated 214-204 a rule that would have controlled debate on the $8 billion tax increase proposal. The vote killed the plan.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., said after the House vote, "This means we may get my deficit reduction package for consideration when we come back."

The Republican-led Senate had been scheduled to consider a modest, three-year proposal to cut $200 billion annual deficits by $28 billion. The plan called for $13.4 billion in tax increases and $14.6 billion in spending cuts.

The House approved $10.3 billion in spending cuts, but no tax increases.

The Senate defeated, 65-33, an alternate proposal to cut the deficit by $88 billion over the next three years.

The 1984 budget Congress adopted in June called for $74 billion in tax hikes and $12 billion spending cuts.

While they are at home during the holidays, congressmen may have an opportunity to see what their constituents think about raising taxes as part of a deficit-reducing plan.

President Reagan has insisted from the time he took office that deeper cuts in federal spending are needed to balance the budget without increasing taxes. We agree with that reasoning.

Constitutional amendments have created 'nightmare'

Mark White reports

By MARK WHITE
Governor

AUSTIN — Texas' judicial system has served the state well, but a patchwork of state constitutional amendments has created a nightmarish tangle of overlapping court jurisdictions.

We must begin to take a serious look at judicial reform. Since the 1940s, the number of cases filed in Texas' courts has doubled the state's phenomenal 221 percent growth rate in the same period.

As a first step to address the needs of the judiciary, I met in Austin December 9-10 with the justices of the Supreme Court of Texas, the judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals, chief justices of the Courts of Appeals, the presiding judges of the administrative districts, and legislative and State Bar leaders.

The Governor's Conference on the Judiciary voted to support efforts to explore all viable alternatives to incarceration and to recommend the legislature approve a $1 filing fee for all civil cases in district and county courts and a 50-cent fee for all justice court civil filings to pay for continuing education programs mandated for all Texas judges.

The 68th Legislature passed and I signed into law a number of bills designed to ease prison overcrowding. With the construction cost of a single prison cell approaching $50,000, the legislature and I felt that there must be alternatives to brick and mortar that would have a greater rehabilitative effect on those convicted and still protect the public.

One approach involves creating restitution centers where employable first-time, non-violent offenders live and continue to work to support their families and repay crime victims.

Experience with restitution centers in Georgia and Mississippi reveals that felons assigned to these centers are less likely to commit future crimes and are much less of a burden on the state. Since restitution centers can only be established by order of a local judge in his or her judicial district, it is crucial for the judiciary and the State Bar to realize that this is a viable, safe and cost-effective alternative for some lawbreakers.

Equally frustrating for laymen and the bar are the lengthy delays in bringing the average civil case to trial — a wait that can last as long as five years in Houston.

I believe the answer lies in improved staff and technical support for existing judges, not in the creation of new courts. More money must be found to pay for continuing education courses for Texas judges. A well-trained judge is a more efficient judge. Also, if more Texas courts could take advantage of computer-assisted transcription of court reporters' notes and automated legal research and case management systems, appellate delay would be greatly reduced.

The Governor's Conference on the Judiciary supports efforts of the chief justice of the Supreme Court and the presiding judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals to expedite the publication of uniform appellate criminal and civil rules of procedure.

If the legislature is going to deal effectively in 1985 with such complex issues as judicial selection and case workload, we must begin now to research these issues and build a political consensus. With a better public understanding of the judicial system, these problems can be resolved.

Our readers write

Utility companies merit compliments

Editor, the Pilot:

My compliments to the crews of Central Power & Light and Aransas Natural Gas for maintaining service during the bitter cold days around Christmas. We customers tend to take our electric and gas service for granted, but without their dedicated personnel being on the job in all kinds of weather, life would not be so easy for the rest of us.

Thank for a job well done.

s/Bob Albin

Seeking space for the handicapped

Dear Mr. Editor,

I am a visitor in your lovely city. I will only be here for a short while. But I am appalled at the lack of concern your citizens and your police department have for the handicapped.

In the three weeks I have been here I have only been able to park in handicapped parking once at Wal-Mart and not at all at H.E.B. I don't always go into the store. Most often I sit in the car while my daughter goes in to do the shopping. Therefore I do not park in the handicapped space.

But I do sit in my car and watch the NON-HANDICAPPED park in the handicapped space with no regards to the handicapped whatsoever. The handicapped signs at H.E.B. and at Wal-Mart are both eye level. So if these people can see well enough to drive then they can certainly see well enough to see the signs.

You may or may not know, but a handicapped person has to pay extra to have the handicapped or disabled sticker on their license plate. This sticker entitles this vehicle to park legally in the handicapped parking space.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am not only angry at your non-handicapped citizens, but there are family members of handicapped persons who are just as guilty. You know just because there is a handicapped sticker on the car doesn't mean that car can park there if the handicapped person isn't the one getting out of the car. It's just as illegal for that car to be parked there as it is one with no handicapped sticker at all. And that person of all people should respect the handicapped most of all. But a lot of those people think that just because they have the handicapped sticker on their car, that automatically entitles them to park there. Of course if they search their hearts they will know better too. I don't understand — when you have a member of your family handicapped, how you can do other handicapped persons that way?

If you don't believe that 98 percent of your citizens (non-handicapped) take up all the handicapped parking spaces, just go park at either H.E.B. or Wal-Mart and observe. You will also observe that your city police make no effort to do anything about it either.

Most handicapped parking signs say that there is a $200 fine for non-handicapped cars parked there. Well, if your city police would issue a few tickets to these violators and a few of these fines were enforced those of us who are handicapped might be able to park in the space that is provided for us.

It's a matter of simple humanity. That's not asking too much. Thank goodness you're not all handicapped.

I am sure you won't print this. It doesn't speak too well of your citizens or your police department but anyhow I got it off my chest.

s/Mrs. Juanita Kelly
Redding, Miss.

P.S. My children tell me I'm wasting my time writing this letter, that no one cares. Well someone does care, I care, and so do all the other handicapped people in the world. It's just the non-handicapped that don't care.

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On this day . . .

In 1963 — Congressman John Young paid a New Year's Eve visit to the Aransas County Courthouse.

In 1963 — The Texas Highway Department called for bids on construction of the new Bay Causeway between Live Oak and Lamar peninsulas.

In 1973 — Gov. Dolph Briscoe awarded two grants to tally $90,364 for improving law enforcement and justice in the area served by the Coastal Bend Council of Governments.

High technology: 'magic' has a dark side

Scott Burns

Business & finance

Q: Early in the year, as I best recall, you wrote of Unidata Systems in one of your columns. At the time, the stock was selling for about 2½. A short time later I bought some for 3-1/8, and after another few days, bought some more for about 3½.

I held the stock for a couple of months; it went to 6 and started down, and I sold our at 5¼, making a nice gain. Now I see that the stock is down around 1, though I can't find out why. I guess their technology just didn't sell!

Could you tell me what happened to this firm as a kind of review of what can happen with these businesses? — C.S., San Antonio

A: The first thing you should know is that I never wrote about Unidata Systems. It is a company with an idea but no revenues. After a recent management shakeup, the company is in the process of abandoning an effort to sell a piece of computer equipment with a built-in programming language that was, supposedly, easy to use.

Ironically, I interviewed the former chief executive officer twice because I was interested in the product. I decided not to write about the company because it was massively speculative. So was the price of the stock. You should consider yourself blessed to have sold out at a profit.

High technology has a "dark side," a misty area of exuberance and hyperbole in which even the participation can't tell the difference between hope and fraud.

There has never been a time in history when we have had more magazines filled with advertisements for products that don't yet exist, that can't yet be bought, that may never be made or delivered. Some are software products, some are hardware, but all are based on an idea that may or may not be completed and working in a "bench model," let alone full production.

As a consumer, advertising for products you can't buy won't hurt you. But as an investor, you must watch very closely for the companies that sell sizzle, not steak. Consider this story:

I am a director of a manufacturing company. Two years ago our company was in very deep trouble, having lost its entire shareholder equity and still saddled with a plastics division that lost money. The division finally was sold (given away is more accurate) and became part of another plastics company.

Few industries are more depressed or suffer from greater overcapacity than the plastic molding industry, yet this company recently went public at a price that was astounding.

Ironically, although my company has turned around and now enjoys record profits, profitability and return on assets, we cannot issue new stock. The investment bankers say we are dull.

Why can our former division raise money while we can't? Because it has a new name. And it includes the word "Technology"!

Unless you know the people, know the industry and know the products, the deck is stacked against you when it comes to making profits on high-technology investments.

Bottom line?

For most people, high tech is a better story than investment.

Q: Can you provide a list of recommended reading which would explain the terms and workings of the stock market for the "compleat idiot"? — R.S., Waynesboro, Ga.

A: Some of the smartest people I know have nothing to do with the stock market. The best overall primer — suggested by many readers — is a paperback titled "Understanding Wall Street" by Jeffrey B. Little and Lucien Rhodes (Liberty Publishing Co., $7.95).

Sadly, the most important consideration in any stock investment is not mentioned in most books on the subject: "payback" — how long it will take your investment to "earn out." You can learn about that from anyone who runs his own business.

Q: I have about $7,000 invested in an annuity company about which I feel very uneasy. I would like to roll over this amount into another annuity. A year ago the same insurance agent convinced my husband to take an IRA using his insurance policy for the first $2,000. We are paying interest for this money. Is this wise?

Last year we could deduct both the $2,000 and the interest on our loan. It sounded like a great idea but now we have our doubts. — Mrs. F.L., Stoughton, Mass.

A: You didn't do much for yourself but you made a nice commission for the salesman.

By borrowing money from the life insurance policy and putting it into an IRA you gained a tax deduction for one year at the expense of having to pay a modest interest rate on the borrowing forever.

You also created a future income tax liability because all withdrawals from IRA accounts are taxable.

I know this is confusing, so let's take it slowly:

— The money accumulated in your husband's life insurance policy is after-tax income.

— Although the actual cash put into the IRA comes from the insurance policy, for tax purposes it is treated as though the money came directly out of your paycheck, before taxes.

— When the money is removed, years in the future, you will pay taxes on it.

— Meanwhile, you will pay interest on the debt.

Even if you are in the 50 percent tax bracket, the net cost of borrowing the $2,000 from the policy will be at least 3 percent, and I would be willing to bet that the yield on the IRA annuity purchase is not 3 percent higher than the yield on the money held in the life insurance policy.

Bottom line? Don't do business with this man.

Q: I am retired from Crown Zellerbach Corp. During the 34 years I worked for the company I accumulated 2,400 shares of common stock. Since I retired a year and a half ago, the quarterly dividend on the stock has been cut from 57½ cents to 25 cents a share.

What would you suggest as to holding this stock and/or selling it and purchasing a stock or bonds that would pay a better return on investment? — J.E.K., Augusta, Ga.

A: Your question has two distinct parts:

(1) Should you concentrate your retirement assets in one company?

(2) What is the quality of your particular company?

The key to better sleep in this world is reducing risk. While there is no way to avoid it, you can reduce it by diversifying your assets. For all those people who build up substantial assets in one stock through profit-sharing plans, etc., there comes a time when most of the shares must be sold to create a broader investment portfolio.

This can be done quite easily by selling shares and replacing them with shares of a mutual fund that invests in stocks or bonds and produces the income you need.

This specific company has reduced its dividend because it lost $4.86 a share in 1982 and could not sustain the dividend. While ValueLine rates this company "average" for safety and timeliness, its fundamental earning power is poor. You could have twice the income, much less risk and a greater chance for gain by moving your investment elsewhere.

Q: In a recent column you listed the name of R.M. Smythe Co. as a firm that traces and values old securities. I wrote to them and my letter was returned marked, "Moved, Not Forwardable." Is there an alternative? — F.A., Phoenix, Ariz.

A: R.M. Smythe is alive and well in Manhattan. But they did move down the street from 170 Broadway to 24 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10004.

They will trace a domestic stock for a fee of $20 if you send a photostat of the security and a stamped, self-addressed envelope along with your fee.

Q: My wife and I are expecting our first child in March. We are horrified about the staggering cost of a college education, and are determined to start a savings fund for the child's education. We want to make small monthly contributions (about $30) and preferably shelter our contributions and the fund's earnings from current income taxes.

Would you recommend a trust account? If so, how would we go about setting one up? Also, what investments would be preferable? — D.E.S., Tucson, Ariz.

A: Good thinking! Every dollar you put aside now will do the work of $5, $6 or $7 you'll have to shell out later.

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Even more important, the more money you put aside early, the greater the risks you can take and still have a high probability of achieving an above-average compound return.

While inflation will reduce the real purchasing power of $29,300 over the next 18 years, you'll accumulate over twice as much at 15 percent as at 8 percent. Money you would have to put in a money market fund when a child is 16 can be put in a growth-oriented mutual fund when the child is younger.

The simplest solution is to establish a custodian account when your child is born; a simple form will request the child's taxpayer ID number. You'll have to apply separately for that from Social Security.

The growth of money through compounding, by the way, is one reason I encourage grandparents to make gifts to their grandchildren: The cash for one year of college now will grow to be enough to finance nearly four years of college later!

Q: I have taken early retirement at age 62; my wife is 57 and will continue to work part time. I also have $500 per month from retirement income and will soon get $542 a month from Social Security. Our other assets include: $47,000 in a money market account; $9,600 in an IRA account; $8,200 in Templeton Global No. 1; $5,000 in Templeton Global No. 2; $20,000 in a Merrill Lynch Cash Management Account; $52,000 in certificates of deposit; $2,000 in savings; and an IRA rollover account of $34,000 which is divided into $5,700 of Fidelity Magellan, $5,700 of Templeton World, $5,700 of Templeton Growth, and $16,900 in a five-year CD.

My question: Is my investment program a good one? How can I improve it? — H.L., Dallas.

A: Lots of people write with long lists of assets, usually collected over a period of time. I've found that the best way to understand where you are is to take a look at how those assets are distributed — that is, are they equity investments, fixed-income or term investments, or cash-equivalent investments?

Here's how your list looks when you spread it out:

Only about 20 percent of your funds are in investments that can provide you with inflation protection, while about 40 percent are in low-return, cash equivalents.

I suggest you move about half of your cash equivalents to a mutual fund that pays a reasonable income and provides growth, such as Fidelity Equity-Income. You might consider putting about half of the remaining cash into one- or two-year notes to provide a higher return.

Another thing you might do is move your IRA fund investments into high-yield bond funds while you put the same amount from CDs into a fund like Equity-Income.

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Tallichet named new president

HOUSTON — Edward L. Tallichet Jr., 22-year veteran of Brown & Root Inc., has been named president of Jackson Marine Corporation of Aransas Pass, replacing Hugh C. Jackson, who has resigned to pursue other interests.

Another Brown & Root veteran, John Sole, has been appointed senior vice president and chief operating officer of Jackson Marine. The changes are effective immediately.

Jackson Marine is a Halliburton subsidary which provides service boats, ocean-going tugs and cargo barges for the world-wide offshore petroleum and construction industries.

A graduate of Texas A&M University, Tallichet has more than 30 years experience in engineering and construction. The last 13 years with Brown & Root have been in the upper management level, primarily of offshore marine structure and in marine pipeline projects. His most recent assignment was group vice president, Western Hemisphere Marine Operations.

A 15-year veteran of Brown & Root, Sole has held assignments in Houston, California, Scotland, the Middle East and the Far East with extensive experience in fabrication and installation of offshore platforms, pipeline installation and engineering and construction of loading systems. He had been Manager of Planning for Marine Operations.

Jackson was employed by Brown & Root for 10 years as a marine superintendent before founding Jackson Marine in 1966. The company was sold to Halliburton in 1968.

"We will miss Hugh Jackson," said Brown & Root President T.L. Austin Jr., "but respect his wishes and wish him well in his new activities."

Permit requests

The following applications for permits have been filed with the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers. Comments must be submitted to the District Engineer, P.O. Box 1229, Galveston, Texas 77553, on or before the date shown.

COPANO BAY

Mr. and Mrs. M. Allen Winters Jr. of Houston have applied for permission to construct a private fishing pier extending 300 feet into Copano Bay, off Live Oak peninsula near Rockport.

Comments must be submitted on or before Jan. 4.

ARANSAS BAY

Atlantic Richfield Company, Houston, has applied for permission to extend the time to complete work to erect and maintain structures and perform work for drilling wells and for producing oil and gas in Aransas Bay, State Tract 121, Aransas County, approximately 4-½ miles north of Rockport.

Comments must be submitted on or before Jan. 9.

W-2 forms due by Feb. 1

Employers should plan now for developing Wage and Tax Statements, Form W-2 for employees.

Each employee must be given a completed W-2 for 1983 by Feb. 1, Internal Revenue Service officials say.

The forms may be ordered by telephone. Call the IRS tax information and forms number in the phone directory.

For additional information on the distribution and handling of Wage and Tax Statements, employers may get a free copy of IRS Publication 15, "Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide," from the IRS.

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Julie Hiller, Pepper Weatherly united in marriage

Julie Mariella Hiller of Rockport became the bride of Pepper Garland Weatherly of Friona in a candlelight wedding ceremony at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, at the First Presbyterian Church in Rockport. Rev. John Bradshaw officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar R. Hiller of Rockport. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Weatherly of Friona.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, entered to the traditional music of the "Wedding March." The double-ring ceremony featured the lighting of the family unity candles by the mother of the groom and the mother of the bride.

The bride wore a gown of pale ivory chiffon by Galina of New York. Appliques of alencon lace combined with satin lace flowers molded the bodice. Lace scallops outlined the high bateau neckline and plunging back. Additional lace adorned the long leg-o'-mutton sleeves. The flared floor-length skirt flowed into a chapel train and lace flowers bordered the hemline.

Her cathedral-length veil floated from a tiny Juliet cap and was completely bordered with lace.

She carried a cascade bouquet of a dozen burgundy cara mia roses with baby's breath and English ivy.

Luanne Sammons Jr. of Loranger, La., served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids included Renee Fair and Jill Oliver, both of Austin, and Penni Weatherly of Canyon.

The bridesmaids wore tea-length taffeta gowns of antique pink. A stand-up ruffle edged the bateau neckline, repeating along the scooped back and wrists. Each carried bouquets of roses and greenery.

The groom's brother, Park Weatherly of Friona, served as best man. Groomsmen were Kyle Barnett, Kirk Frye and Dean Church, all of Lubbock. Ushers included Scott Hiller of Charleston, S.C. and Dolph Hiller of Rockport, brothers of the bride, Mike Styles and Scott Styles, both of Canyon, and Brent Loflin of Friona.

The groom wore a white tuxedo while groomsmen and ushers wore silver grey tuxedos. The fathers of the bride and groom wore black tuxedos. Each man wore a burgundy rosebud in his lapel.

The mother of the bride wore a black plum silk organza shirtwaist dress of tea length with a corsage of cymbidium orchids. The groom's mother wore a raspberry taffeta dress featuring a jeweled neckline and a short tucked jacket with an orchid corsage.

Julie McMackin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Garland McMakin of Rockport, served as flower girl and Tiffany Weatherly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Weatherly of Austin, served as ring bearer. Each wore burgundy taffeta floor-length dresses adorned with ruffles and ecru lace.

Mrs. Perry Carter accompanied vocalist Mrs. David Tiner as she sang "The Wedding Song." Penni Weatherly, sister of the groom, and Mrs. Geary Brogden sang "Just You and I." Brogden also sang "God, a Woman and a Man" and she and Tiner also sang the benediction, "The Lord's Prayer."

Following the wedding, a reception was held at Little Bay Club in Rockport. The club was decorated with greenery and white, twinkling lights.

The bride's table was adorned with lace and held the three-tiered wedding cake decorated with fresh flowers and porcelain bride and groom figurines on top. The groom's table was set with brass serving pieces and held the traditional latticed German chocolate groom's cake.

The menu by Chef Simon of the Little Bay Club included oyster Ernie, several fritters, rooster legs, Swedish meatballs and tiny sandwiches. A champagne fountain flowed with burgundy pink champagne.

Attending the bride's table was Meredith Montague of Austin, Teresa Loflin of Lubbock and Mrs. Scott Hiller of Charleston, S.C. Attendants at the groom's table included Sheri Styles of Abilene and Misty Vars of Canyon. Serving punch and coffee were Mrs. Kyle Paris of Canyon, Mrs. John Pina of Rockport and Deborah Bretting of Temple. Kathy Smith of Austin registered guests in the bride's book.

Special guests at the wedding included the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lex A Harp of San Antonio, Ella Hiller of Rockport and W.A. Hiller of Burnett; the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hiller of Charleston, S.C., their daughters, Kelli and Kim; Mr. and Mrs. K.A. Harp of San Antonio; Joyce and Deborah Bretting of Temple; Luanne Sammons Jr. of Loranger, La.; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Fair of Houston.

Other special guests included the groom's grandparents, Myrl Buske and Lois Weatherly, both of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Weatherly, Katy and Lisa, all of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Loflin, Teresa and Brent, all of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Weatherly, Ben, Brooke and Beth, all of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. James Weatherly, Tiffany and Shayla, all of Austin; Mrs. Don Max Vars and Misty of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Styles and Sheri of Abilene; Scott and Mike Styles of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. B.K. Buske and Lindsey of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Redge Priest and Cory from Roanoke; Regina Priest of Waco; Jim McDermot of Amarillo; and Geary Brogden of Friona.



Julie Hiller Weatherly

Following the wedding, the bride and groom spent a week in Breckenridge and Vail, Colo., where they skied and spent Christmas. Upon their return, they will reside at Gatewood Condominiums in Lubbock.

The bride is a senior vocational home economics major at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and is a little sister for Sigma Nu fraternity.

The groom is a senior business administration major at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and is employed part-time at Republic Bank in Lubbock. He is active in Sigma Nu fraternity.

A rehearsal dinner was held prior to the wedding on Tuesday evening, Dec. 20. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Weatherly of Friona hosted 50 guests for dinner in the fellowship hall of the First Presbyterian Church in Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Hiller hosted a wedding brunch for out-of-town guests on Thursday, Dec. 22, at the Hiller home on Harbor Drive in Harbor Oaks.

Dimension

Rockport partyline

By BETTY PAUL

A lovely party was held Christmas day in the home of Carrie Hattenbach. Thirty-one relatives and friends from Fulton and Rockport attended. A great dinner was enjoyed by all.

Blanche Metcalf had a bad fall Christmas morning and bruised herself all over, but is feeling better now. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Huizenga, winter Texans from Grand Rapids, Mich., are staying with and taking care of Blanche.

Rev. and Mrs. A.C. Vega has their daughter Mary Franklin, Ruben Mauricio and Gloria Garcia, all from Houston, visiting them over the Christmas holidays.

Carolyn and John Behee spent Christmas in Houston with Carolyn's brother Russell Smith and his family. Russell and Carolyn's parents, Rose and Carl Smith from Aransas Pass joined them.

Lilly Holland spent the Christmas weekend in Fort Worth with her five children and their families.

Caroline and Bob Bernardy spent the Christmas holidays in Oklahoma visiting their families.

Martha Lewis spent a week in Spohn Hospital having tests made and will return Monday to Spohn for surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wheelock, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ohmes hosted a Christmas dinner at Taylor Oak Trailer Park. The 77 residents contributed food for the dinner and had a gift exchange.

Ruth Blankinship, son David and his wife Glenda and their sons Mark and Randy spent the Christmas weekend in Weslaco with the Glen Adams.

Donna Keef made a trip to Houston last week to pick up her son Bryan and bring him to Rockport for the holidays.

Sally Calhoun spent the Christmas holidays in Brownsville with her daughter Mrs. Jimmy Russell and family, and with her son Charles Burnett and his family.

Louise and Frank Smith were in Corpus Christi on Christmas eve with their grandson Pete Prescott and his wife Judy. Other guests included Pete's parents Thelma and John Prescott from Abilene, Pete's aunt Betty Brandesky, her husband Fred and their three children.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Davis spent Christmas weekend in Odessa with their son Troy, his wife Debbie and their sons. Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Davis and their children from Denver joined them for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eveson and family have John's parents Dorothy and George Eveson from Glen Burney, Md., visiting them.

Sissie Harberle has her son Rob and daughter Laura Haberle, both from Liberty, visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peacock had their son Joel from Houston visiting them for a week.

Visiting for several days in the home of Ida and Vann Taylor were their daughters Karen Vasek and Diane Monroe and her children Mark and Melissa Monroe, all from Bay City.

Mary and Jowell Hearn had Christmas dinner guests Thelma and John Prescott from Abilene; Linda Schaeffer from Jacksonville, N.C.; son Tony and his wife Carolyn Hearn from Santa Barbara, Calif.; son Philip Hearn, Jowell and Betty Louise and Frank Smith from Holiday Beach.

"Uncle" John and Dorothy Leslie had their grandson Rusty Morrison and his wife Shawn from Canoga Park, Calif., visiting them for a short while on Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. L.B. Kost have returned to their home in Palm Harbor. The Kosts went to San Antonio in October and while they were there Dr. Kost entered the hospital for heart surgery.

Betty Abt spent a very chilly, snowy Christmas weekend in Dallas with her daughter Joan Andrews and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Simmons had their daughter Patti Prejean, son-in-law Max and their 1-year-old daughter Michelle from Seabrook, visiting them for four days.

Spending the Christmas holidays with Mary and Jim Casey were their daughter Gwen Higgins from Leesburg, Va., and their son Michael Casey from Santa Ana, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Files have their daughter Jeanette from Boston visiting them.

WELCOME! New home owners Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edinger; retirees Mary and Allen Averilla from San Antonio, retirees Tina and Jack Walker from Clifton.

Visiting Nan Irwin during the Christmas holidays was her brother Glenn Kelly from Victoria.

Yvette Olson and her brother Corey spent a week in Bourne visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Prettyman.

Mr. and Mrs. August Strelau have their grandson Gary from San Antonio visiting them. Gary is here to help the Strelau's celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary which was Dec. 29.

A euchre tournament was held at Palo Alto Trailer Park Dec. 23 and 25 people participated. A three-way tie for first place was held by Eugene Begand, Ruth Begand ane Ellen Jarusel. Fourth place went to Marvin Barfels; the Booby prize to Fred Baldwin; and the door prize to Al Jarusel.

Returning again this year are winter visitors Art Naylor and his daughter Stephanie from El Paso, staying at Palo Alto Trailer Park.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!

Fred Arkell, Juanita Fuller — Dec. 31; Alma Taylor, Al Gimler — Jan. 1; Lester McKenzie, Tracey Hare — Jan. 2; Sharon Evans — Jan. 3; Nell Brant, Bessie Hall, Ruth Freeman — Jan. 4; Frieda Bradshaw, Jimmy Arkell, Debbie Lullman — Jan. 5; Jimmy Bromfield — Jan. 6.

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By ANN THOMAS

This week we have recipes for wassail and some punches which some of my readers requested.

Did you know that authentic wassail bowls have several slices of toasted bread floating on top in them? Thus, the gesture of "toasting" was born. Through the years, some have substituted this practice with floating apples, while still others choose to ignore both customs.

If you are serving a cold punch, it's a good idea to take some of the strongest ingredient (other than alcohol, unless it's wine) and freeze in cubes or in a mold. This, when added to the punch, is attractive and as it melts it does not weaken the flavor. Mint leaves and slices of fruit further enhance both flavor and appearance. Be sure to replace in measure whatever you take from the recipe to use for freezing; otherwise, your punch recipe will not turn out correctly.

CAROLER'S WASSAIL

1 gallon sweet cider
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon cloves
3 teaspoons allspice
4 sticks cinnamon
2 cups sugar
Juice of 8 oranges
Juice of 8 lemons

Combine all ingredients; bring to a boil. Strain and serve hot.



ENGLISH WASSAIL

1¾ cups sugar
1 quart water
2 whole cloves
4 cinnamon sticks
4 whole allspice
2 tablespoons chopped ginger
2 cups lemon juice
2 quarts apple cider
3 cups orange juice

Place sugar in a saucepan; boil for 10 minutes. Add spices and ginger; cover and let stand in a warm place 1 hour.

Strain syrup into a large kettle; stir in cider and juices. Bring to a boil. Serve hot.

REAL WASSAIL

Core and bake 1 dozen apples by preheating the oven to 375 degrees F. Wash a core the apples; fill the centers with dots of butter, brown sugar and cinnamon (mixed 1 teaspoon cinnamon to ¼ cup brown sugar) and place in pan with ¾ cup boiling water. Bake 30 minutes only, until tender. Remove and drain contents; set aside.

Boil for 5 minutes the following:

1 cup water
4 cups sugar
1 tablespoon nutmeg
2 teaspoons ground ginger
6 whole cloves
2 sticks cinnamon
3 teaspoons allspice

Meanwhile, separate 1 dozen large eggs; beat the whites until stiff and the yolks until light. Fold whites into yolks.

Strain boiled mixture. Pour quickly into egg mixture, stirring well.

Separately, bring almost to a boil 4 bottles of sherry and 2 cups brandy (brandy is optional). Add hot wine to egg mixture slowly, while stirring briskly. If using brandy, add it last.

Float apples in the mixture when it is poured into the punch bowl. The mixture will be foamy.

ROSY WASSAIL

1 pint cranberry juice
6 ounces frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
2 cups water
1 tablespoon sugar
¼ teaspoon ground allspice
1 bottle dry white wine

In a large kettle, combine cranberry juice, orange juice concentrate, water, sugar and allspice. Simmer. Add wine and heat through, but do not boil. Chill several hours. Serves 12.

HOT WASSAIL

1 quart apple juice
3 oranges
2 lemons
4 cinnamon sticks
8 cloves
2 ounces preserved ginger, or 4 thin slices fresh ginger root
2 cups brown sugar
4 quarts ale or dark beer
1 cup brandy or dry sherry

Heat apple juice. Peel oranges and lemons and add the rinds and spices. Simmer 1 hour.

Strain and return clear liquid to pan. Add fruit juices and spirits. Heat, but do not boil. Serve hot.

APPLE WASSAIL

6 pints apple juice
Whole cloves
4 cinnamon sticks
2 quarts ginger ale

Heat apple juice, adding several whole cloves and cinnamon sticks. Boil. Remove cloves and sticks.

Add ginger ale and heat. Serves about 40.

COCONUT HOLIDAY EGGNOG

6 eggs
1½ cups cream of coconut
1 quart half and half
1 pint whipping cream
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 cup dark rum

Beat eggs until fluffy. Beat in cream of coconut. Gradually beat in both creams. Stir in vanilla and rum. Chill several hours.

Offer nutmeg when serving. Serves 10.

UNDER 21 PUNCH

2 large cans sweetened pineapple juice
2 quarts lemonade
1½ quarts orange juice
1 quart cranberry juice
2 cups apple juice

Mix well and chill. Makes about 2 gallons.

APPLE TEA

6 tea bags
3 cups boiling water
3 cups apple juice
¼ teaspoon allspice
⅓ cup honey

Pour boiling water over tea bags; steep 5 minutes. Remove tea bags, add other ingredients and mix well. Serve warm or cold. Serves 6.

TOBY'S TODDY

3 cups boiling water
8 tea bags
3 cups apple juice
¼ cup brown sugar
8 whole cloves
4 cinnamon sticks
½ cup burgundy

Boil water, pour over tea bags. Steep 5 minutes; remove bags. Add rest of ingredients except wine and simmer 10 minutes. Remove from heat; add wine and heat through before serving. Serves 10.

That's all of our beverage recipes. We do, however, have a recipe sent in by one of the column's best supporters, Herb Gray of Fulton. I finally had the pleasure of meeting Herb in person after 2 years of enjoying his recipe contributions.

Dear Ann Thomas:

Since a lot of people have had hams during the holiday season and since leftover ham gets pretty boring rather quickly when used in all salads, casseroles, etc., I thought I might share the following recipe with your readers. It not only gets rid of a lot of ham fast, but will also have your tongue hanging out when you smell it cooking. I am also including a couple of suggestions for turning it into a nice little complete meal, which is so easy to prepare it is almost sinful.

Cooked ham, sliced about ½-inch thick
Pineapple juice
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
½ teaspoon basil
Garlic
Juice of ½ lemon
Use an oven casserole dish large enough to hold the ham steaks (they may be stacked) and pour in enough pineapple juice to cover. Mix in Worcestershire sauce, basil, lemon juice and garlic. Marinate ham steaks for about 3 hours or overnight in the refrigerator. Turn occasionally.

Meanwhile, acquire 1 medium sweet potato for each ham steak. Approximately 1 hour before serving, wash potatoes and poke a few holes in the top only.

Bake potatoes unwrapped for 1 hour at 350 degrees F. After 40 minutes, put the casserole in the oven (marinade and all) and bake 20 minutes. Remove from oven.

Make a cross cut in the top of each potato, about ¾ of the way through, and push ends toward one another so that a pocket is formed. Pack in as much butter as possible within ½ inch of the top. Top off with whipped cream and some pineapple juice.

Thanks, Herb! Happy New Year to each of you and yours. Bon appetit!

The Rockport Pilot

Food

Delicious sea soup helps take the chill out of winter

The first few crisp days of our Gulf Coast winters turn home chefs' thoughts to simmering soups.

An economical and nutritious contribution to this aspect of menu planning is Tomato Sea Soup. As soon as you see the words "economical" and "nutritious" you might wonder, "Am I sacrificing taste for economy?" Not so! says Annette Reddell Hegen, seafood specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. This soup has all the qualities of a top notch meal and can be made with any lean fish.

Use fresh fish fillets from the Texas Gulf Coast. It is important to add the fish when indicated in the recipe. It cooks so quickly that it is necessary to cook the other ingredients first so they will be done and the flavors blended. Then add the fish and cook until it flakes and is opaque in appearance.

TOMATO SEA SOUP

1 pound fish fillets, skinned
¼ cup diced bacon
½ cup chopped onion
½ cup chopped celery
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
⅓ cup uncooked rice (not instant)
2 cups tomato juice
Chopped parsley

Cut fish into 1-inch pieces and set aside.

Fry bacon until crisp. Add onion and celery. Cook until tender and slightly brown. Add 2 cups boiling water, seasonings and rice. Cook for 10 minutes. Add fish and cook 10 minutes longer or until rice and fish are tender. Add tomato juice and heat.

Serve immediately with chopped parsley over the top. Makes 4 hearty servings.

Usher in new year with Southern dishes

Gumbo and jambalaya may be New Orleans' day-to-day Creole fare, but on New Year's Day it's strictly Deep South with cabbages and black-eyed peas.

These hearty dishes have traditionally ushered in the New Year as symbols of prosperity and good luck. Some say you'll get a dollar for every cabbage leaf you eat; others say just a bite willl do the trick.

There's a long-standing controversy about whether it's necessary to eat both cabbage and black-eyed peas or if just one is sufficient to assure a good year. Everyone does agree, however, that to celebrate New Year's Day without either of these dishes is to tempt fate itself.

CABBAGE ROLLS

2 or 3 cabbages
1 pound ground chuck
1 egg
2 tablespoons long grain rice
1 onion, chopped
1 slice stale break, soaked in water and squeezed dry
1 teaspoon salt
½ pound brisket, sliced
3 tablespoons brown sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
½ cup raisins
1 8-ounce package dried mixed fruit
1 10¾-ounce can tomato soup
1 cup sour cream

Core cabbages and immerse in boiling water until leaves are tender and separate easily but are not cooked, about 5 minutes. It may be necessary to cut away part of the spine if it is too thick and hard.

Mix together ground meat, egg, rice, onion, bread and 1 teaspoon salt. Place about 1 tablespoon of this mixture on each cabbage roll. Fold (or roll) and tuck in ends, securing with a toothpick if necessary.

In a large heavy pot which can be used both on top of the stove and in the oven, place the brisket slices. Stack cabbage rolls on top. Cover pot tightly and cook very slowly for 30 minutes.

Add remaining ingredients, except sour cream, recover and cook very slowly for 2 hours. It may be necessary to add a little water. At this point the whole pot may be refrigerated overnight to allow the flavors to marry.

Bake uncovered 1 hour at 300 degrees F. Serve accompanied by sour cream.

PICKLED BLACK-EYED PEAS

5 15-ounce cans black-eyed peas, drained
3 2½-ounce cans pitted black olives, drained and sliced
2½ cups sliced red onions
2 cloves garlic, pressed
2 cups salad oil
¾ cup red wine vinegar
1 tablespoon minced parsley
1/8 teaspoon Tabasco
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine the peas, olives, onions and garlic. Mix all other ingredients and pour over vegetable mixture. Refrigerate, covered, for at least 24 hours.

ONION RYE BREAD

1 cup milk
1 tablespoon sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons molasses
1 package dry yeast
¼ cup warm water
½ cup cinely chopped onion
1 tablespoon caraway seed
2 cups flour
2 cups rye flour
Cornmeal
Cream
Salt

In a saucepan, scald milk; stir in sugar, salt, butter and molasses. Cool 20 to 30 minutes. Dissolve yeast in water.

In a large bowl, combine milk mixture, yeast, water, onion and caraway seeds. Stir in flours. Turn out on floured board to knead when it becomes too difficult to stir. (Use rye flour to flour board.) Knead to incorporate flour, to 10 minutes.

Place in a greased bowl, cover, let rise in a warm place until doubled, 1½ hours. Turn out on floured board (use rye flour) and knead 3 to 5 minutes. Return to greased bowl, cover, let rise again until doubled, 1 hour.

Remove from bowl; shape into loaf. Place in a 9 x 5 x 3 loaf pan which has been greased and dusted with corn meal. Brush top of loaf with cream and sprinkle with salt.

Let rise a third time, almost to top of pan, about 45 minutes. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. and bake 40 minutes. Cool on wire rack. This recipe doubles easily.

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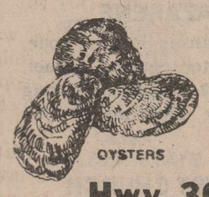
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Special Winter Texan services begin at First Baptist Church

Special morning services for Winter Texans will begin next Sunday, Jan. 8, at Rockport's First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Loyd M. Chapman, Winter Texan pastor for the church, will lead the services which will begin at 9:45 a.m. in the auditorium. Services will continue through February and will be followed in the church's fellowship hall with a get-together over hot chocolate and coffee.

This is the sixth year for Rev. Chapman to lead in this ministry which was begun shortly after his retirement from the active pastorate.

A graduate of Baylor University and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., Rev. Chapman was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Marlin for 26 years prior to retiring and moving to Rockport.

A special feature of the Winter Texan worship service is the "Roll Call of the States," according to Rev. Chapman who adds that church records show 22 states have been represented in past years.

He added the after-service fellowship has also proved popular with the church's winter congregation "and has become a kind of reunion."

Theme of this year's services will be "Hope for a Despairing World." Gary Howard will lead the volunteer choir for the services.

This will be the third Sunday morning service at First Baptist, with other services now being held at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Pastor of the church is the Rev. Charles Fake.

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Reflections as the Old Year ends

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By the Rev. Wayne J. Pafk
Pastor of Peace Lutheran Church

Did you ever wonder as a small child on Dec. 31 whether the world would suddenly change at the stroke of midnight? And then only find out that 12:01 a.m. was exactly like 11:59 p.m.

This reminds us that life itself is not governed by a calender. But as we approach the new year we do tend to reflect back over the old year. That is the rhythm of life. Let us just imagine for a minute that a news article and photo layout were to be done this past year on your relationship with God. What would it show?

In fact if we really answered that question we might all do some adjusting of our relationship with God during this coming new year.

Often during New Year a hymn is sung: "O God, Our Help In Ages Past" calls up a picture of what we say about our relationship with God, but often would not make the best photo layout if it were to reflect the way that we often live.

Many of us too often who call ourselves Christians take God for granted without any awareness of what affect it has on our relationship with Him. What if we ask ourselves how we would rate the health of our relationship with Him by the way we act towards Him? Does our worship, Bible study and service to others reflect a relationship that we have nutured during the past year so that we may be sustained, or does it reflect a neglected area of our daily living?

Maybe we need to remember what can sustain our relationship with God so that it may increase and grow.

Another point that might help us reflect God in our lives is putting our faith into action. As Christians we are not only to talk about what needs to be done we are called to do. In fact, there is all the difference in the world between talk and action. It is like a thermostat and a thermometer.

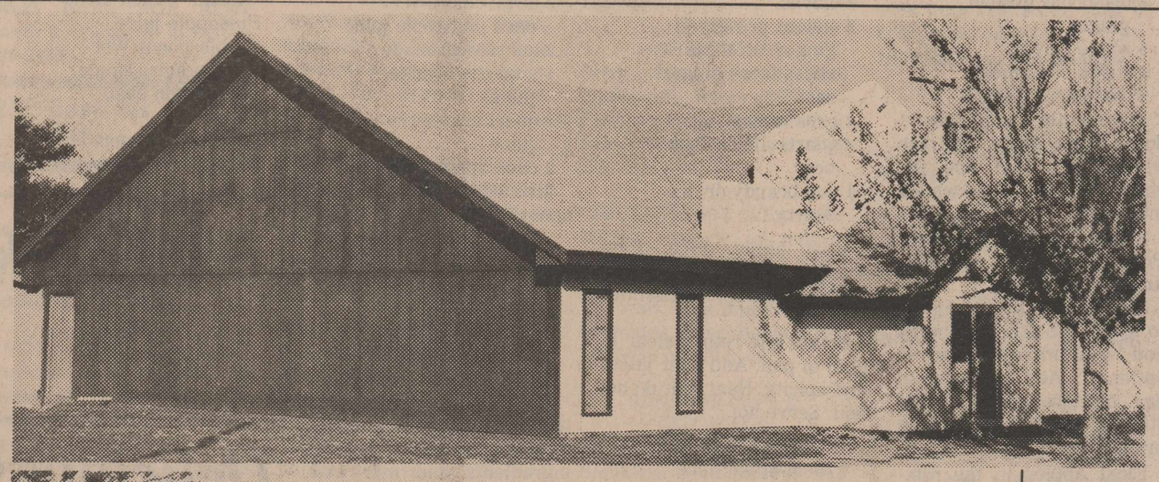
A thermometer tells you whether it's cold or hot, but it does nothing about it. Some Christians act like thermometers. They say, "The church is cold, the town unfriendly and the nation is going pagan." But they don't do anything about it!

But Christians are called not to be thermometers; they are called to be thermostats. When a thermostat finds that a room is cold, it operates quietly to start the machinery to bring the cold room to an acceptable temperature. Let us remember that we are called to action for it is God who first took the action to bring us to Him through the sending of His Son, Jesus.

Did you ever wonder what a new year would be like if we grew in our relationship with God to sustain us so that we could be called out into action?

Happy New Year as you reflect upon this yourself!

The religious community





THE NEW SANCTUARY of Fulton Community Church still lacks some of the stained glass windows but is already serving the congregation. The sanctuary, which seats 300 people, was made necessary by the growth of the church in recent years.

(Photos by Pat Blair)

13,000 pastors to attend conference

The annual Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference in Fort Worth on Jan. 9-11 is expected to draw more than 13,000 pastors and other church leaders from across the state to hear some of Southern Baptists' greatest preachers.

Under a theme of "Christ Lifted Up," the conference will focus on Prayer for Spiritual Awakening and a goal to baptize 85,000 people in Texas in 1984, said Baptist General Convention of Texas Evangelism Director Carlos McLeod.

A 42-hour prayer vigiled by Texas Baptist associational directors of missions will be held throughout the conference.

Some of the speakers at the annual meeting in Tarrant County Convention Center include Richard Jackson, pastor of North Phoenix Baptist Church in Phoenix, Ariz.; Evangelist Vance Havner of Greensboro, N.C.; A.E. Campbell Jr., pastor of Temple Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio; B.O. Baker, pastor of Plymouth Park Baptist Church, Irving; and Winfred Moore, pastor of First Baptist Church in Amarillo and president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Zig Ziglar, nationally-known motivational speaker and member of First Baptist Church of Dallas, will speak on "Positive Pastoring," and Bob Lilly, former Dallas Cowboy all-pro tackle, will give his testimony.

A 1,500-voice Tarrant Baptist Association mass choir directed by James Woodward, dean of the school of music at Oklahoma Baptist University, will perform Monday evening, and a 1,500-voice choir from Dallas Baptist Association will sing Tuesday evening.

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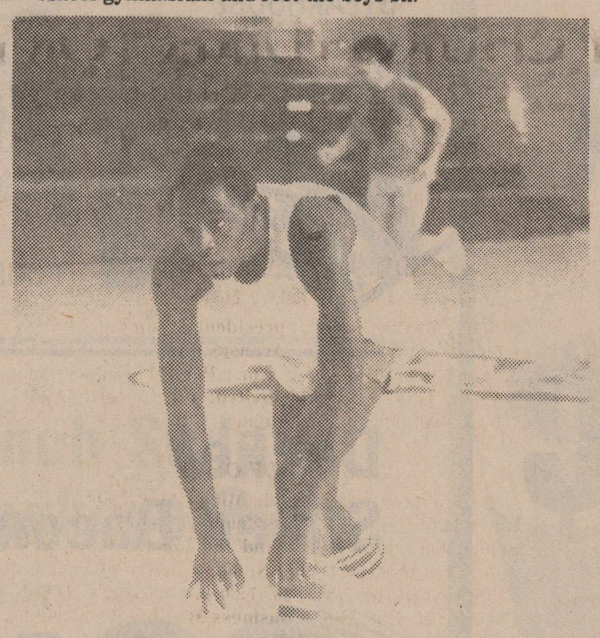
VARSITY & J.V. basketball players from Rockport-Fulton High School practiced drills on Wednesday for the Toast of the Coast basketball tournament held here Thursday and Friday, Dec. 29 and 30. [Photo by Page Jennings]

Rockport-Fulton High School hosts

Toast of the Coast basketball tournament

The Toast of the Coast Basketball Tournament hosted by Rockport-Fulton High School was held Thursday, Dec. 29, and Friday, Dec. 30. Because of The Pilot's press deadlines, all scores and results will be covered in the Jan. 4 edition.

The losers' consolation game will be played at 5 p.m. Friday. The bid for 3rd place title will be at 6:30 p.m. Friday, and the battle for the championship will begin at 8 p.m. Friday. The tournament promises to be an exciting one, so Rockport residents are urged to head to the high school gymnasium and root the boys on.



Next week's pro game picks

NBA — THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1984		
Philadelphia	1½	MILWAUKEE**
FRIDAY, JAN. 6		
BOSTON	14	Cleveland
New Jersey	1½	PHILADELPHIA
WASHINGTON	5	Chicago
Milwaukee	2	ATLANTA
DETROIT	4	New York
Phoenix	1½	INDIANA
UTAH	10	Kansas City
Dallas	4½	SAN DIEGO
LOS ANGELES	11	San Antonio
PORTLAND	4	Denver
SEATTLE	9	Houston
SATURDAY, JAN. 7		
NEW JERSEY	2	Atlanta
NEW YORK	11½	Indiana
PHILADELPHIA	15	Cleveland
CHICAGO	3	Washington
KANSAS CITY	9	Phoenix
Dallas	1½	DENVER
GOLDEN STATE	10	San Antonio
SUNDAY, JAN. 8		
MILWAUKEE	7	Detroit
LOS ANGELES	5	Houston
Portland	7	SEATTLE
MONDAY, JAN. 9		
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NY Islanders	(½)-1	HARTFORD
MONTREAL	(½)-1	Detroit
PHILADELPHIA	2(½)-3	Winnipeg
WASHINGTON	1-Flat	St. Louis
Minnesota	1-Flat	CALGARY
FRIDAY, JAN. 6		
NEW JERSEY	(½)-1	Pittsburgh
SATURDAY, JAN. 7		
EDMONTON	4(½)-5	Hartford
Buffalo	1-Flat	WASHINGTON
MONTREAL	(½)-1	St. Louis
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SUNDAY, JAN. 8		
WINNIPEG	2(½)-3	Hartford
BUFFALO	2-2(½)	Montreal
NY RANGERS	Even-(½)	NY Islanders
PHILADELPHIA	Even-(½)	Washington
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The best thing about exercising is that it allows you to eat more. This doesn't mean that you can reward yourself with Baskin Robbins on the way home from jogging. But you don't have to starve yourself either.

Shark meat processing information available

AUSTIN — Texas fishermen who want to know more about the processing of shark meat for commercial sale or personal consumption can obtain free information on the subject from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

NMFS officials told the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department that available materials include a recently-completed study of U.S. shark markets, an identification guide of valuable shark species and tips on processing of fins, hides and meat for sale.

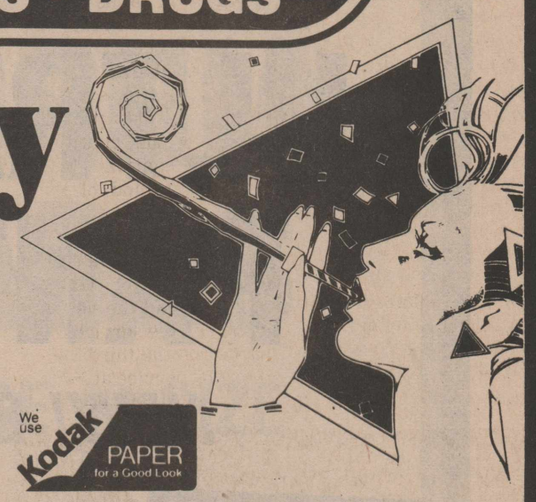
Shark meat has been used as food for centuries, the NMFS said, but the commercial fishery in U.S. waters has been minor in comparison to the bony fish species. However, the study said increased marketing efforts by fish distributors and retail outlets in recent years have caused a measurable increase in shark consumption.

The publications may be obtained by writing the NMFS Southeast Regional Office, 9450 Koger Blvd., St. Petersburg, Fla. 33702.

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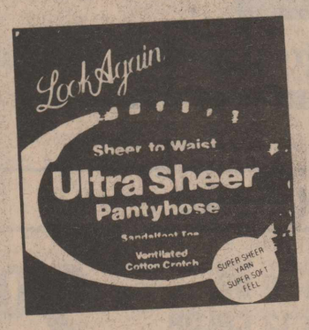
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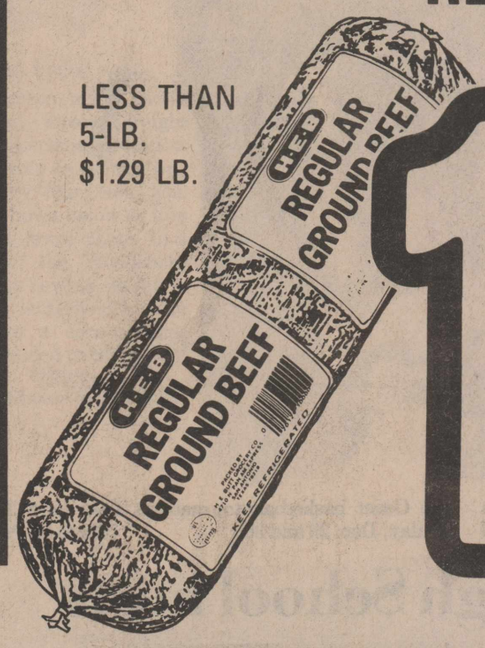
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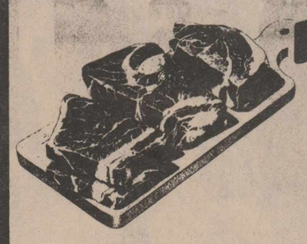


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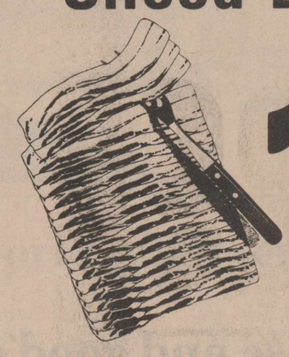
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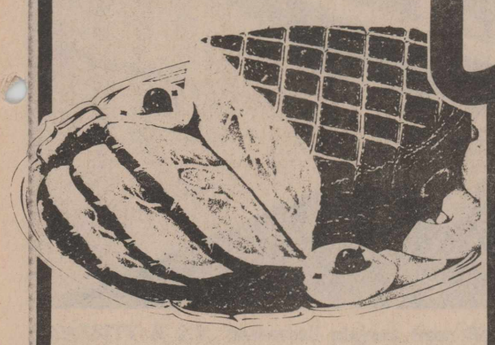
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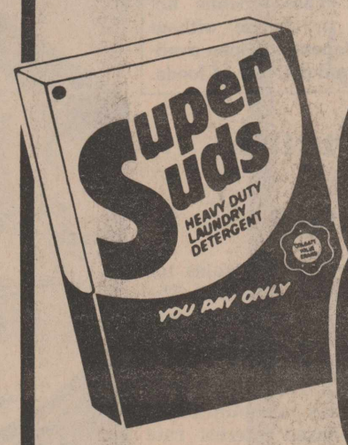
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'A house nobody can duplicate'

Tumlinsons' home is different

By PAT BLAIR
Managing editor

"We have a house that nobody can duplicate," Barbara Tumlinson says. "There's nowhere you can get a house like this for the price."

She and her husband, James, figure they have about $16,000 invested in their home on Salt Lake Road out near Copano Cove — not counting the labor they put into it.

Originally, their home was located in Woodsboro — where it served as the town's railroad depot.

"It was built in 1900," Barbara said during an interview at the house this past week. "I don't know if it was started or finished then, but a board back here (around the stairs) says, 'built 1900'."

The board isn't visible; it's one of the support pieces of the structure. The Tumlinsons found it when they were remodeling and repairing after they moved the building to its present site.

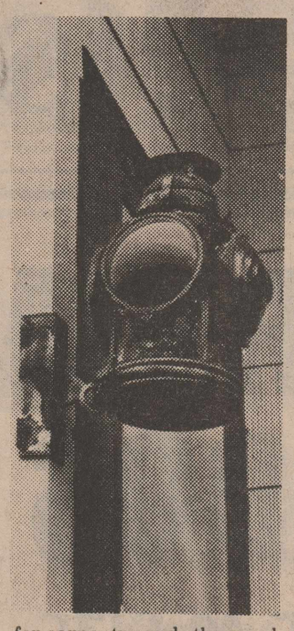
The board isn't the only piece of history they found while converting the structure into a home. "A bunch of lumber in here had all kinds of names and dates," James says.

When they removed the original soft pine floor from the front room (the freight room of the old depot), they replaced it with the pecan flooring from the old Bevins house which once stood where Key Allegro North is now, Barbara said.

"They were put down in that home in 1919," she added. James said later, "When we took the floor up, we found a 1919 penny and a man's name written on the board. I took that penny and put a 1975 penny with it and put them both back into the floor with my name and a note that gives the name of the man who laid the original floor in the Belvins house."

The Tumlinsons bought the former depot about eight years ago. The structure was used as a depot until the late 1950s or early '60s, then was purchased by a woman who bought it for her husband — a former railroad man and son of a railroad man.

But her husband died soon after she bought the building and after keeping it nine years, she traded the structure to James in exchange



for carpentry and other work he did for her.

As to why he accepted the building, Barbara says simply, "My husband likes unusual items."

The Tumlinsons then moved the building to its present location. "Moving in," Barbara remembers, "it fell off the dollies once. It had three trucks pulling it and it stopped all three — wham! — it was that heavy." Once the depot was in place, ice was used to slide the jacks from under the house. James recalls it took 30 blocks of ice for that part of the project.

"We worked on it three years before we moved in," Barbara said. "We had a ball." The family moved in on Dec. 15, 1978 — "the year my son was married."

"Other than getting central air conditioning and maybe a wood stove," she added, "we don't have any other plans (for additional remodeling). We like it as it is."

Walls of the building are six inches and the front room is 16 feet tall from the floor to the ceiling. The depot when the Tumlinsons took possession was 20 feet shorter than it was originally built, "thanks to the Texas highway department" James said.

It seems that back in the late '50s, the highway department was unloading some gravel cars and a bucket smashed into the roof, damaging the roof and part of the walls.

After the Tumlinsons moved the depot into place, they connected it to what was originally a double garage which subsequently became bedrooms. The entry area Barbara calls the "found room" because at one point, during the remodeling process, they "found" more space than they thought they had . . .

The floor in the front room was dropped four feet, putting it on a level with the rest of the house and turning what had been a freight door into a large window. Then James added stairs and more rooms on what was now the building's second floor.

A lot of history has been incorporated into the house. A stained glass window near the ceiling in the front room — and another window that hasn't been placed yet — came from the old transoms of private railroad cars, Barbara said. The floor in what is now a small office in the house is the original soft pine. That room was originally two waiting rooms, Barbara added, and you can still see the line of the wall that divided the rooms for "whites" and "coloreds" . . .

Some of the doors in the house came from the office building of the Kingsville Railroad Station and other doors are from a railroad coach.

Upstairs columns came from the Sea Gun when the resort was remodeled about six or seven years ago. Shelving units came from the old Roaten's Drug Store when it was remodeled about three years ago. "James is a packrat — he doesn't throw anything away," Barbara said.

Outside, on the side of the house, James installed two lanterns from a caboose. "They were old kerosene lanterns," he said. "I've still got the insides, but I converted 'em to electricity."

A full-length mirror upstairs came from a tailor shop in San Antonio and is more than 100 years old. Windows in the front room, one bedroom and the kitchen are from the old Bevins home.

"We had the old Woodsboro (depot) sign," James added, "but somebody stole it . . ."

James is originally from Luling and Barbara grew up in Freer, she said. "He came to Freer to see a friend and met me. We went together about five and a half years."

Now, she added, they have "four children, three in-laws and two grandchildren — and two more on the way."

James' parents moved to Rockport in 1957 and he and Barbara — after living "all over South Texas" moved to the area in the late '60s/early '70s.

"We built the grocery store in Copano then sold it because it was tying us down," Barbara says. They've operated a garbage business for several years now — and James has been fire chief of the Copano Cove Volunteer Fire Department "about nine years."

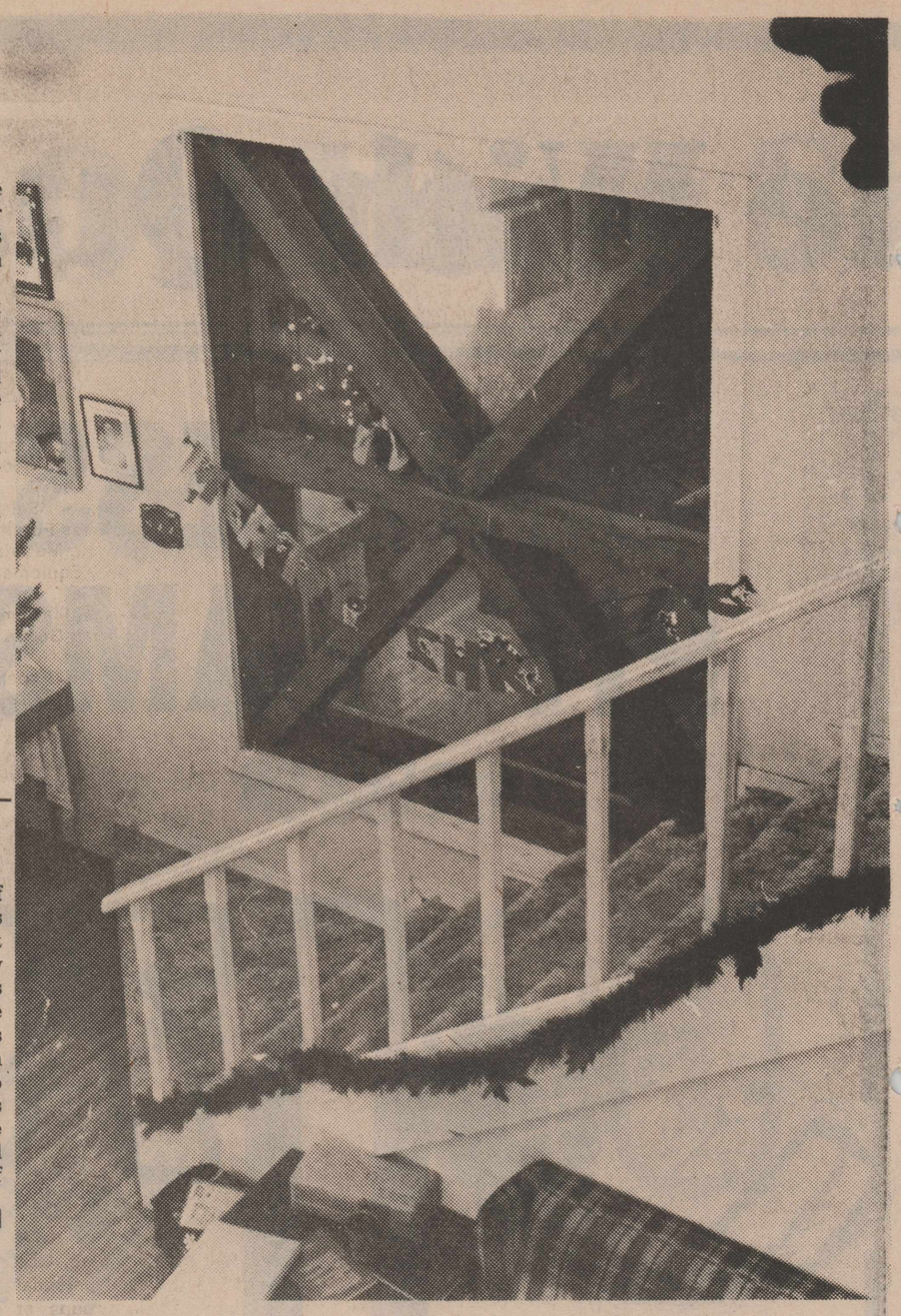
The Tumlinsons launched the drive to organize the fire department back in late 1971 after seeing three houses burn to the ground because neither the Rockport nor Fulton fire departments could get to the scene in time.

"When we saw the last house go, we decided that was it," Barbara says. They donated a truck and called for volunteers. The response, she adds, was "great. People have been real great with their support."

They enjoy living in the Copano area — in their "one-of-a-kind" home. "I don't think we'll ever sell unless we're forced to," Barbara said. "There are too many memories in it."

Adds James, "You can do a lot with an old building."

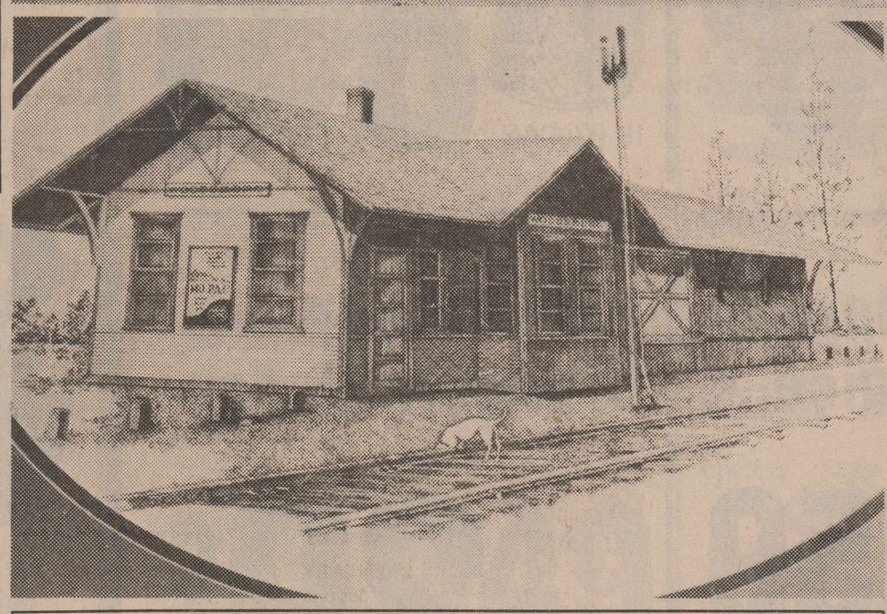
He and Barbara are proving it.



INTERIOR VIEW, right, of the Tumlinson home shows stairs and former freight door that became a window after the front room floor was dropped by four feet. The house is shown below as it is today and, lower photo, in a drawing of the Woodsboro depot in its heyday. At left is one of the lanterns that once hung from a caboose and now are welded to the side of the house.

[Photos by Pat Blair]





School menu

BREAKFAST

Monday, Jan. 2
No school.

Tuesday, Jan. 3
Apple juice, waffles, syrup, milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 4
Banana half, assorted cereals, milk.

Thursday, Jan. 5
Applesauce, sausage links, toast, milk.

Friday, Jan. 6
Grape juice, hot cereal, milk.

LUNCH

Monday, Jan. 2
No school.

Tuesday, Jan. 3
Chili dogs, french fried potatoes, tossed green salad, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 4
Tamale pie, whole kernel corn, relish cole slaw, bread, gelatin with topping, milk.

Thursday, Jan. 5
Swiss steaks, gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Friday, Jan. 6
Meat loaf, gravy, steamed rice, vegetables Normandy, bread, peach cobbler, milk.

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

Tire and rim are reported stolen

A radial fire and rim valued at $35 was reported stolen from the lot of an used automobile dealership at approximately 7:25 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25. Rockport police are investigating the incident.

A stereo cassette player valued at $200 was reported stolen from the living room of a South Young Street residence between 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 and 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25. Entry was apparently gained through an unlocked window.

The owner of a city convenience store reported an incident of credit card abuse after a subject purchased gasoline using an unauthorized credit card. The case is under investigation by Rockport police.

Police arrested one man on charges of driving while intoxicated last week, and one man for DWI and driving while his license was suspended.

Obituaries

Hershal Major Whiteside

PORT ARANSAS — Funeral services for Hershal Major Whiteside of Port Aransas, father of an Aransas Pass woman, were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, at the First Baptist Church in Port Aransas with Rev. Eldon Johnson officiating. Burial followed in the Port Aransas Cemetery.

Mr. Whiteside, 77, died Wednesday morning, Dec. 28, at his residence after a long illness. He had been a resident of Port Aransas since 1942 and was a retired engineer for G.H. Towing Company. He was a member of the Methodist church and was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Whiteside of Port Aransas; four daughters, Beverly Ann (Cookie) Mathews of Ingleside, Shirley Gay Russey of Big Springs, Donna Grace Whiteside of Aransas Pass and Charla Toy Whiteside of Port Aransas; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Marshall Funeral Home in Aransas Pass was in charge of arrangements.

Bond sales are ahead of '83 goal in county

Sales of U.S. Savings Bonds in Aransas County for 1983 through September were 177 percent ahead of the goal for the year, according to officials with the Savings Bond division of the U. S. Department of the Treasury.

September bond sales of $8,150 pushed the total for the year to date to $106,491. Aransas County's assigned goal for the year was $60,000.

Statewide, sales of U.S. Savings Bonds amounted to $202,122,865, an increase of 28.5 percent over sales for the same period in 1982. The sales represented 90 percent of the state's assigned goal of $224.7 million.

The U.S. Treasury Department has announced a market-based interest rate of 9.38 percent for the first semiannual interest period of Series EE Bonds issued from Nov. 1, 1983, through April 30, 1984. This is the third semiannual rate to take effect since the market-based, variable rates were introduced a year ago.

Tickets are now available for Valentine's Dance

Dance tickets are now available for the gala Valentine's Dance at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Paws & Taws Building.

The Women's Committee of Aransas County Medical Services Inc. sponsors this annual dance to raise funds for the county's emergency medical service.

A tax deductible donation of $20 for each ticket includes dancing to Bill Barr's Quartet, hors d'oeuvres, drinks and door prizes.

Tickets are on sale at the Women's Committee Handcraft Store, 513 Broadway (Hwy. 35) or by calling Helen Statesir at 729-0745.

Spring film series is announced

"Alternative Cinema" — rather off-beat commercial movies which have never played Corpus Christi theaters or were here only briefly — is the spring film series planned by the Corpus Christi State University Media Club.

All movies will be shown in Center for the Arts Warren Theatre Friday nights at 7:30. Admission will be $2.

The series of five movies begins Jan. 13 with "The Man Who Fell to Earth." Directed by Nicolas Roeg, the R-rated film stars David Bowie in an exotic science fiction tale. This uncut version will be shown in widescreen Cinemascope.

"The Last Wave," directed by Peter Weir and starring Richard Chamberlain, will be shown Jan. 27. The supernatural thriller looks at ritual murder and bizarre events that threaten the civilized world. It is rated PG.

Three movies in February complete the series. "Eraserhead," scheduled for Feb. 3, is a cult movie by David Lynch, director of "The Elephant Man" and "Dune."

Two weeks later (Feb. 17), "Bread and Chocolate," an Italian film with English subtitles, will be shown. The comedy deals with an Italian laborer's new life in Switzerland.

The series ends Feb. 24 with "Return of the Secaucus 7," the first feature movie by novelist-screenwriter John Sayles.

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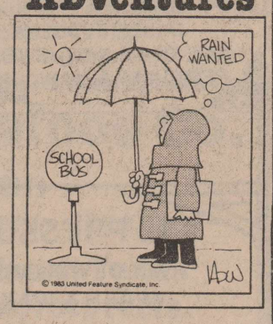
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45. Lots for Sale

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47. Houses for Sale

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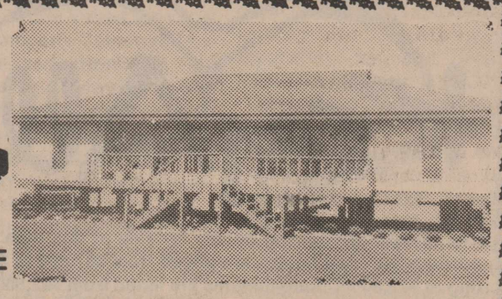
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UNIT I — 2 lots together for	**$200,000**
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UNIT VI — Off-water w/boat slip.	**$45,000**
UNIT VII — Edgewater Ct.	**$125,000**
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UNIT I — 2 bdrm., 1 bath new home.	**$79,600**
UNIT III — 4 bdrm., 3 bath.	**$197,500**
UNIT III — New Home, 3 bdrm., 2½ bath, Jacuzzi, loft, Victorian style.	**$199,500**
UNIT III — 5 bdrm., 4 bath, new decking and paint.	**$195,000**
UNIT IV — 4 bdrm., 3 bath on canal. Fantastic view.	**$450,000**
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FURNISHED — 2 bdrm., 2 bath downstairs corner unit.	**$145,000**
BAYHOUSE	
FURNISHED — 2 bdrm., 2 bath townhouse w/boat slip.	**$140,000**
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HIGHWAY FRONTAGE — Vacant lots, 110' x 300', zoned B1 & R2. **$32,000**

WATERFRONT LOTS — Bulkheaded, near parks & pool. Terms. **$10,000 & up**

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47. Houses for Sale

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47. Houses for Sale

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47. Houses for Sale

BY OWNER — OAK TERRACE
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47A. Metal Buildings

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48. Mobile Homes

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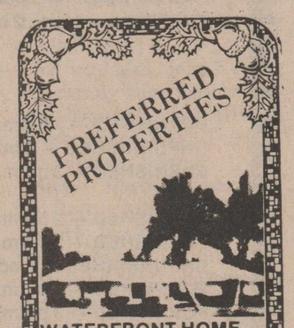
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The best thing about exercising is that it allows you to eat more. This doesn't mean that you can reward yourself with Baskin Robbins on the way home from jogging. But you don't have to starve yourself either.

I don't recommend exercising without dieting either. The two together are an unbeatable team.



When I was a kid, we had little grocery stores, little drug stores, little hardwares and little cigar stores. The grocerman always knew my name and the kind of candy I wanted. His name was Skinny Moore. All this gave me roots and a sense of belonging. Now, when I walk into the five acre mall, I feel like a motherless child.

I remember when we had only one size of soap. Next came small, medium and large. Like a snowball, once the product got rolling, it picked up bulk ... then came the economy size and the giant size. The family size was not far behind.

The stores that housed the ever-growing bulk also began to increase in size and name. Supermarkets sprang up like enormous toad stools all over the place. Soon the Supers begat the Ultras, and the Ultras were connected to the Metros, and the Metros were connected to the Megas, and God only knows what the Megas' children will look like! I'm surprised the churches haven't picked up on these impressive names!

For centuries, folks have talked about big churches and little churches. Sometimes, they're referring to the size of the building, and often they mean the height of the steeple. At other times, "the big church" means "the most members," while on occasions it means "the wealthiest church."

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LARGE 3 bedroom, 3 bath on channel, custom throughout. Large decks, boat slip. A must to see. $234,000

LOVELY HARBOR OAKS HOME, 100 ft. canal frontage. Extras include dock, fish cleaning stand, sprinkler system, fireplace, drapes, gun and china cabinet, brick with tile roof. $225,000

LARGE MASTER BATH with Jacuzzi in the 3 bedroom, with 90 ft. on the water. Gas grill in kitchen, separate dining area. Glassed in sunporch with wet bar. Rock fireplace, lots of cabinets. $235,000

ROOM TO ROAM in this furnished 3 bedroom, 4 bath home on 2 lots. Separate formal dining room, living room, den with wet bar. Swimming pool with separate bath including sauna. Call on this.

PRIME LOCATION IN PORT ARANSAS, 1,500 feet from beach. 2 story 5 bedroom, 2 baths, game room and utility room downstairs. Formal dining, kitchen, master bedroom and bath upstairs. Fireplace and waterfall. Good owner financing. $160,000

OFF WATER HOMES

DOLL HOUSE IN EXCELLENT CONDITION, large 2 bedroom with glassed in porch across back. On large lot in excellent location. $55,000

BARGAIN. Move into this 2 bedroom, 1 bath home w/attached garage and enjoy two large lots with giant oak trees. $38,000

TWO HOUSES on two acres with many extras. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, central heat and air, fireplace, 2 car garage. Guest house separate, nice trees and pond. $130,000

LOVELY MOBILE HOME on 2 large treed lots, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Large covered porch, detached garage plus guest room. Beautifully furnished with built-in appliances. $55,000

DESIRABLE split bedroom plan, large living room area with fireplace and wet bar, brick 3 bedroom, 2 bath with many extras. Sprinkler system for manicured yard. 2 patio areas. $120,000

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Nancy Mayhood 729-3687
Jackie Arthaud 758-1269 — Don Justice 729-0643

Key Allegro Island Estates

Key Allegro has several homes for sale at this time. Some are listed below. New and previously-owned homes are priced from $67,800 to $1,200,000. Lots are available starting at $23,800. Condominiums are listed from $92,500 to $175,000. We'd be delighted to show you any and all of time. Come by our office for more information on all Key Allegro properties.

HOMESITES

UNIT I — Off water location. $23,800
UNIT IV — Canal lot — Corner with 120' of bulkhead. $105,000
UNIT III — Canal lot — 135' of frontage. $110,000
UNIT V — Two adjoining lots overlooking the ski basin. $250,000
UNIT V — Two adjoining lots — Aransas Bay view. $450,000

HOMES WITH A VIEW

WHITE SHUTTERED BEACH COTTAGE — This pretty pink and white, two-bedroom, one bath cottage is recently completed. Ceiling fans, back sundeck, and eggshell panelling add extra touches to the basic design. Off-water lot, close to the marina and pool. Includes washer and dryer. $75,600

CANAL HOMES

NATURAL, ROUGH CEDAR EXTERIOR ON PELICAN DRIVE packages this comfortable 4 bedroom, 3 bath waterside home. An enclosed stairway connects the two living levels in addition to the front and back exterior stairways. Includes kitchen, utility room, large unfinished room downstairs, 2 store rooms, dock and fish-cleaning table. $150,000

TROUT CANAL WILL BE YOUR SPECIAL SPOT with this 4 bedroom, 3 bath waterfront home — your view is straight down the waterway. Inside, beautiful earth tones rest your spirit in the spacious family room and on throughout the home. Lots of extras include cathedral ceiling, covered deck, panelled living room, two-car carport, utility room, and docking facilities. $165,000

CAPTAIN'S QUARTERS — Fan-shaped house fits lovely curving lot with 125 feet of canal frontage. Master bedroom with glassed-in sitting room overlooks canal. Total of 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, den, kitchen, reception room with wet bar and refrigerator, and large second floor utility room finish out this house. Covered deck, fish-cleaning table, enclosed garage. Furnished. $245,000

THE MIRRORED PLANT ALCOVE accents the contemporary look of the upper living-dining room of the gorgeous home on Luau Lane. During recent remodelling, everything was done over: carpets, walls, interior and exterior design — all adding to the basic 4 bedroom, 3 bath structure. The master suite sports a mirrored Jaccuzzi; a separate room for exercise has a mirrored ballet bar; an enclosed spiral staircase connects an upper level living room to a ground floor sun room; a wet bar downstairs also has full cooking facilities and looks out over the canal. Of course, there's a boat dock and fish-cleaning table, washed-concrete patio, and added storage space. $249,500

ENJOY BOATING IN ARANSAS BAY: This fine home offers an excellent view to Little Bay. Like-new condition. Main floor with three bedrooms, two baths, family room, dining area, kitchen and a large covered deck. Ground floor with entry hall, den, bedroom, bath, utility and two-car garage. $325,000

COMMANDING VIEW OF BOTH ROCKPORT BEACH AND ARANSAS BAY, this beautiful den is the heart of a beautiful island retreat. Centered on the second floor, it offers a wide expanse of cool whites and corals stretching up to the cathedral ceiling with exposed beams. Also upstairs, 3 tastefully appointed bedrooms and two baths; plus kitchen with trash compactor, icemaker and built-in microwave. Downstairs, another den sports a mirrored wet bar, separate bath, and office space. Many extras include waterside fishing pagoda, sailing ramp, 2-car enclosed garage, and dock with secondary bulkhead. Fully furnished. $550,000

THE PERFECT PERMANENT HOME. Located in Unit V with an excellent view to Aransas Bay. Three bedrooms, three baths, 50 foot long family room with a fireplace and sloped ceiling, dining room, kitchen, den, inside entry and lots more. Excellent condition. $600,000

KEY ALLEGRO CONDOMINIUMS
TENNIS — SWIMMING POOL — BOAT DOCKS

Beautiful two bedroom, two bath unit. Fireplace.
Boat dock. Offered furnished. $92,500
Corner Unit — Two bedroom townhouse recently remodeled, top of the line appliances, etc. Excellent view. Two and a half baths. $135,000

ALLEGRO NORTH CONDOMINIUMS
TENNIS — SWIMMING POOL — BOAT DOCKS

Two bedroom, two bath corner unit. Fireplace, furnished. Excellent view. Assumable loan. SOLD
Ground floor, two bedroom, two bath. Furnished. SOLD
Two bedroom, two bath townhouse overlooking the harbor.
Boat dock, covered parking, excellent view. Furnished. $110,000
Two bedroom, two bath townhouse. Excellent view. Offered with the furniture. $115,000
Large two bedroom, two bath townhouse. Excellent view.
Parquet floor in entry and family room. Fireplace. $119,500

BAYHOUSE CONDOMINIUMS
TENNIS — SWIMMING POOL — BOAT DOCKS

Two bedroom, 2 bath corner unit with an excellent view of Little Bay. $92,500
Two bedroom, two bath overlooking Canoe Lake. Decorator furniture. $138,500
Three bedroom, two bath corner unit. Decorator furniture in like-new condition. $175,000

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Fairway lots — Membership included. $34,900; $38,500; $40,000
Off-fairway lot — Membership included. $20,000; $22,000; $25,000

THE REAL ESTATE CONSUMER

FANNIE MAE ANNOUNCES NEW MORTGAGE PROGRAM

The Federal National Mortgage Association, known as Fannie Mae, has announced a new program aimed at assisting people who cannot afford a home because of high interest rates. The program will provide $1.6 billion of mortgage loans over the next 12 months. The loans will be available through mortgage lending companies in major U.S. cities. It is estimated that 26,000 families will be able to buy homes through the program. The loans will feature adjustable interest rates with a cap on the maximum amount of increase. There will be an option to convert the loans to fixed rates during their term. Sellers also may buy down the rate for the first few years. Fannie Mae estimates the loans will allow borrowers to qualify with approximately 5 percent less income compared to loans made at current market rates.

LEASE OUTLINES PENALTY FOR DELINQUENT RENT

If you rent, you should be especially careful to pay your rent at the time specified in your lease. Withheld or delinquent rental payments can make a tenant subject to eviction and liable for remaining rent contracted for in the lease.

Most leases allow the management to enter an apartment and seize personal property for nonpayment of rent. This provision is valid only if it is underlined or in bold print in the lease, and a tenant cannot be locked out of an apartment for failure to pay rent. However, the manager may change the door lock when rent is overdue. A written notice must be left on the door stating where the key can be picked up at all hours regardless of whether the overdue rent has been paid. A tenant also can be liable for unpaid rent and attorney's fees.

Contact an attorney if you have specific questions about penalties for late rental payments.

PERSONAL AND REAL COVENANTS DEFINED

Deed restrictions are an established means of controlling land use. The restrictions may be placed in deeds or recorded with a subdivision plat.

Deed restrictions may appear in two forms. One is called a personal covenant and the other a real covenant. Personal covenants are binding only between the present seller and buyer. Subsequent purchasers are unaffected. An example would be if the present owner agrees to purchase gasoline from only the buyer. No subsequent owner of the property is bound to this personal covenant.

Real covenants, however, directly affect the use and enjoyment of the property. The covenant and the property are inseparable once the covenant is recorded. Real covenants may regulate such things as architectural styles and fencing requirements. Before buying property, it is wise to find out if its use is regulated by deed restrictions.

MORTGAGE MARKETS CONTINUE TO EXPAND

Texas savings and loans continued an expansion of activity during the first quarter of 1983 that began in late 1982. The amount of new deposits minus withdrawals was almost five times greater than in the first quarter of 1982. In Houston, the increase was almost seven times. New types of savings accounts authorized in late 1982 and early 1983 apparently contributed to the attraction of deposits.

In addition, mortgage interest rates declined somewhat and sparked increased activity in residential lending. Greater availability of mortgages at more affordable terms helped improve home sales in many local markets. The lower rates also induced more homeowners to refinance mortgages during the quarter.

Hopefully, this recovery will continue to make affordable housing available to more Texans.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES 1982 EXPANSION

The number of housing construction permits issued in Texas during the first quarter of 1983 increased by 64 percent compared to the first quarter of 1982.

If this pace of construction continues in the remaining three quarters, more than 270,000 dwelling units will be permitted in 1983. By comparison, 1982 produced slightly more than 200,000 permits.

All types of housing contributed to the gain, but permits for five or more units were especially active. More than half of all residential permits were in this category. Expansion of residential permit activity was dramatic in many Texas cities. Especially notable was the Dallas-Fort Worth area, where permits increased more than seven-fold.

Overall, housing was booming in Texas during the early part of 1983.

HOUSE ORIENTATION MAXIMIZES ENERGY EFFICIENCY

If you are in the market for a house or are about to have one built, you should seriously consider how the house will be situated on the lot.

In most circumstances, the major glass areas of your house should face south. Such an exposure generally is the most pleasant and energy efficient. In winter, a southern exposure allows your front windows to receive bright, warm sunshine all day, while the back of the house is turned toward the cold north winds. As the sun climbs higher in summer, trees or awnings can shade your southern windows, while only the smaller eastern and western exposures of your house will receive the harsh morning and afternoon sunshine.

Of course, some lots simply will not accommodate a house oriented toward the south. If you buy such a lot, you will have to compromise on situating the house.

INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR MORTGAGE LOAN APPLICATION

If you are applying for a mortgage loan, you will be asked to supply certain information to the lender. Knowing beforehand the kind of information that will be needed may save you time.

Here is a partial list of information most lenders require: social security numbers; checking and savings account numbers and bank addresses; the name and address of your employers for the last five years; and your W-2 forms for the last two years if overtime pay accounts for a substantial part of your gross income.

Lenders may ask for a copy of your individual or company retirement plan. They also may require a list of the numbers and face values of any securities you hold as well as credit references.

This is only a partial list of information that may be requested. Contact your lending institution for more complete information.

FOLLOW LEASE REQUIREMENTS FOR REFUND

One of the most frequent complaints by renters concerns the amount and promptness of their security deposit refund. Several requirements must be met to get a refund.

The tenant must stay for the full term of the lease, must not be delinquent in rent and must leave the premises clean and undamaged. Before leaving, the tenant must give whatever written notice the lease requires. A security deposit can be kept for failure to give such notice if the provision requiring it is underlined or in bold print in the lease.

The tenant should go through the apartment with the manager to check its condition against the move-in checklist. The security deposit and an itemized description of deductions must be supplied within 30 days. If the tenant does not receive the refund or an explanation within the 30-an explanation within the 30-day period, he or she may be able to take legal action. Contact an attorney for more information.

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UP ON THE HOUSETOP . . . This Santa was trying his best to get up on the rooftop of an Aransas Pass business, but if he did he was too late for Christmas. Better luck next time, Santa!

(Photo by Shirley Horton)

Outlet clothing stores offer bargains

COLLEGE STATION — Outlet clothing stores feature reduced prices, but shoppers will get real bargains only if they know what they are buying, says Dr. Ann Vanderpoorten, a clothing specialist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service home economics program.

Some outlets sell clothing from many manufacturers, and others sell from only one. The reduced prices are possible, she says, due to low overhead and the type of merchandise carried by the stores.

According to the specialist, most outlet clothing stores carry one or more of the following kinds of merchandise:

• "Samples" have typically been used by sales representatives or for displays, so they may show signs of being "shop-worn." They also tend to come in mostly small sizes.

• "Irregulars" may have an imperfection in color, size or fabric construction. The imperfections will not necessarily affect the wear of the garments and are not always visible. But you should determine why the item is irregular before buying it.

• "Seconds" usually have some tear, run or color loss which may or may not affect wearability, but the imperfections are usually visible. Consider the time and cost required to repair any damage before buying seconds. Imperfections that do not affect wearability may not matter in items such as nightclothes, underwear or childrens' playclothes.

• "Surpluses" are overruns, end-of-the-season and leftover merchandise or "odd-lots" of broken sizes. By planning ahead for their next season's clothes, shoppers can take advantage of good buys in this category.

An item sold at a low price in an outlet store is not necessarily a bargain, says Vanderpoorten.

Check the quality of the garment against it's price just as you would when shopping at regular stores, advises the specialist. Also make sure you can use and will actually wear the garment, since most outlet stores do not allow returns.

Product must be unique and marketable to be patented

By JIM MATTOX
Attorney General

AUSTIN — If you're one of those creative people who has invented a new concept or product, you may now be considering getting your design or product patented. Before you hire someone to help you with this project, there are a few things you should know.

First, it sometimes surprises inventors to learn that the first to invent — not the first to file for a patent — is the person protected by patent law. For example, if someone invented a new type of cotton gin and put it into "public use" and you later came up with the same process, you would not be able to get a patent, even though the original inventor never filed for a patent.

"Public use" can mean used by as few as two or three people. You have one year from the time your invention becomes "public" to file for the patent.

Patent law says you cannot get a patent on something which would be "obvious to one of ordinary skill" in the area. Just because you don't see anything like it in the stores, you should not assume that the product is patentable.

Even if an invention is patentable, it may have very little patent protection because it is only slightly different from something already on the market.

If you do think you have a unique, patentable and marketable product, it is best to seek the advise of a patent attorney. First, the attorney will run a patentability search to determine whether the product has already been patented, or can be patented. This search alone will cost $400 to $800, but can be more if your product is complex. There are about 4 million patents on file with the U.S. Patent Office right now.

Unfortunately, many people are taken in by companies claiming to do both patent search and manufacturer marketing for $300-$500. The company will typically do a very limited search, which they don't admit to the client, pronunce the product patentable — and then ask for more money to do the marketing.

Once you and your patent attorney are confident the invention is patentable, the attorney will probably charge anywhere from $700-$1,000 for a very simple patent application. One for an extremely complex chemical or electronic invention may run over $10,000.

It is often not worth the money to get a patent. However this business decision is frequently made on the basis of ego satisfaction, not practicality. Companies that fleece inventors rely on that fact. An honest attorney or company may very well try to dissuade the inventor from seeking a patent once the search is completed.

Some dishonest companies will agree to do both the patent search and the patent application for as little as $500. All too often, the inventor finds that all the salesman wanted was his money.

As with any important transaction, you should get everything in writing. If the company or attorney makes a specific promise to you, make sure it's in your contract.

Also, you should distinguish between a marketing company and a patent company or attorney. Generally, patent attorneys do not engage in marketing.

If the company you're dealing with says it has satisfied customers, ask who these customers are and visit with them. If the salesman says that his company has contracts with large corporations which may be interested in your product, talk to those companies and find out for yourself what the invention company's reputation is.

You can also contact your local Better Business Bureau and the Attorney General's Office to find out if they have had any complaints about the company.

In a future column, I will tell you about the Invention Development Act. If you have more questions, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection office (Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is here to help you.

Weight control will reduce diabetes risk

Diabetes occurs most often in certain types of people, and these individuals should make simple changes in their lifestyles and also become familiar with the symptoms of the disease.

According to the Texas Department of Health, diabetes occurs most often in people with diabetic relatives, those over age 40, and people who are overweight.

It is impossible to do anything about the first two risk factors, but being overweight can be be controlled through proper nutrition, diet and exercise. In fact, keeping your proper weight is frequently the only way of preventing diabetes and reducing its severity, especially in older people.

More than 80 percent of adult diabetics are overweight when their diabetes is discovered.

If you are in the high risk category you should learn the symptoms of diabetes in addition to maintaining your normal body weight.

The symptoms include frequent urination, excessive thirst, extreme hunger, tiring skin infections and blurred vision.

Physicians can, even in the absence of symptoms, discover diabetes by testing the blood sugar. Many physicians regularly test their patients who are most likely to develop diabetes. If the presence of diabetes is suggested by the test, more tests will be made before a diagnosis is given.

The majority of persons with diabetes have Type II, formerly called maturity-onset diabetes because it most commonly develops after age 35. Type II diabetes often can be controlled by diet and exercise, although oral medication or insulin may be required.

If left undetected or untreated, severe complications from diabetes can result including blindness, glaucoma, cataracts, nervous system disorders, heart disease, gangrene resulting in amputations, arteriosclerosis and kidney failure.

In Texas, it is estimated that 700,000 persons or five percent of the state's population are believed to have diabetes.

For more information, contact Dr. Willard Drake Jr., Bureau of Adult Health Services, Texas Department of Health, 1100 West 49th Street, Austin, Texas 78756. Phone: 512-458-7534.

Psychological dependency is the essence of alcoholism

Psychological dependency on alcohol develops in about one of every 12 people who drink and is the "essence" of alcoholism, according to an article in "Texas Medicine."

"Dependence means being influenced, controlled or determined by something — to rely on or trust something other than one's self," writes Dr. Edgar P. Nace, a psychiatrist. "This is the effect alcohol is having on those vulnerable to the development of alcoholism."

Psychological dependency refers to the condition that remains long after the patient stops drinking and continues to influence thinking and behavior during early years of recovery, he says.

The article appears in the December issue of "Texas Medicine," the monthly journal of the Texas Medical Association. Nace is an associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

He notes that psychological dependency is expressed mainly through these changes in behavior and thinking:

— The person's actions revolve increasingly around obtaining and drinking alcohol. "He may bring his own bottle to a party, lest the host not have his particular brand, but really to be certain that a ready supply of alcohol is available. In the early stages of dependency, the person is concerned with the possibility that his drinking will interfere with his job. Later, the concern is that work may interfere with obtaining a drink."

— Dependency results in serious self-doubts about one's ability to cope without alcohol. "Only the uplifting sedative effect of alcohol will restore confidence," Nace says.

— "The posibility of living without alcohol fills the alcoholic with a silent dread," he notes, adding that boredom, loneliness and a void are the expected results of quitting drinking.

— The alcholic may develop the belief that he cannot stop drinking. This results in part, Nace says, from repeated failures in attempting to reduce or stop drinking.

— The alcoholic loses control over how much he drinks. "This loss of control begins before the first drink," not after it, Nace explains.

— A craving for alcohol results from being around people, places or things associated with alcohol use. Another cause of craving is the physical dependence on alcohol, which is triggered by declining alcohol levels in the blood.

Other well-known behavioral changes include morning drinking, binge drinking and brief amnesia or blackouts, Nace says.

He encourages doctors to refer patients to competent alcohol treatment programs if necessary. Changes in lifestyle or environment may be needed. In addition, he notes that citizens in the community who go to Alcoholics Anonymous can be helpful when meeting informally with an alcoholic. "As optimism for recovery is communicated, the seeds of hope are planted," Nace writes.



It's nearly time to celebrate the New Year . . . but before you do . . . we want to say, "Happy New Year one and all! We especially thank our many patrons and our loyal friends.

THE ROCKPORT PILOT

Year in review

August begins with hearing on UDAG proposal

The month began with a hearing Aug. 3 on a proposal by Rockport's city council to apply for an Urban Action Development Grant with the money to be loaned to Nautical Towers under a federal program that would ultimately see the money used for capital improvements by the city of Rockport. The proposal was cancelled, however, after meeting with heavy protest from city residents opposed to the high rise project on Fulton Beach Road.

Police Officer Ed Doran was promoted to sergeant in the Rockport Department.

Randy Bruce was awarded the bid to operate the Town of Fulton's bait/concession stand near Fulton Harbor.

The former Monroe Building was offered to the Rockport city council for use as a city hall. City officials subsequently agreed the offer did not meet the city's needs.

Aransas County officials and architect John S. Hicklin were named in a $1 million slander suit filed by area electrician Richard Griffith.

Elections for the Aransas County Navigation District and the Aransas County Water Control and Improvement District in Holiday Beach were held Aug. 13.

In the navigation district elections, Charlie Augustine was elected a district commissioner over Chris Allen and Ranous Blankert, and Roy Hicks defeated Richard E. Hardy. David Maguglin was elected over Fred Grupe. In the at-large race, Hal McKnight defeated Kirk Holman. Hillis Dominguez ran unopposed for re-election.

In Holiday Beach, Wilson R. Burns, M. Joan Nish and Hilmar E. Flowers were elected to the board.

Aransas County residents braced themselves for Hurricane Alicia in mid-August but no one was disappointed when the storm made landfall in the Galveston area instead.

Budget preparation was under way for area taxing entities. The county school district adopted a $7.8 million budget with 56.5 cents per $100 tax rate on Aug. 22 and the Aransas County Appraisal District adopted a $229,000 budget for its coming fiscal year. The cities of Fulton and Rockport and Aransas County were involved in budget plans.

The navigation district commissioners were in agreement, following a meeting during the month, that the district needed more money for the area beaches and recreational facilities.

Summer officially came to an end for Aransas County school children when they returned to county campuses on Aug. 29.

The Aransas County paramedic training program received approval from the Texas Education Agency for the Veterans Administration.

And plans were announced for the first annual "Miss SeaFair" pageant to be held as part of Rockport's SeaFair in October.

Recreation grants approved in September

September brought good news for Rockport and Fulton — the announcement that the cities' applications for federal recreational project funds had been approved by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

For Fulton, this meant a $200,000 grant for construction of a hike-bike-jogging trail along Fulton Beach Road. Rockport's grant award was for $88,925 for improvements to Memorial Park.

The Rockport planning and zoning commission held its first workshop for preparation of a master plan for the city, and the Aransas County Commissioners Court named the establishment of a U-shaped farm to market road to run by Fulton Mansion as the county's first priority for the 1984 farm-market road program.

Governor Mark White named Alonzo T. Rodriguez of Sinton to be judge of the 343rd judicial district serving several South Texas counties including Aransas.

Interior repairs began on the Paws & Taws Building.

In a meeting Sept. 10, the Aransas County Navigation District (ACND) adopted a revised 1983-84 budget of $20,940.22. Also at that meeting, the ACND commissioners granted a request by the Rockport Shrimp Co-op for an option to lease additional land in Rockport Harbor.

Pat Blair was named the new managing editor of the Rockport Pilot.

As September began, the township of Fulton continued its search for someone to operate the bait/concession stand at the town's L. E. Casterline Fishing Pier.

Aransas County officials on Sept. 12 adopted a 1984 budget of $3.17 million and a tax rate of 29 cents per $100 valuation. Rockport officials set their budget later in the month: $3.3 million with a tax rate of 28 cents per $100 valuation.

The school district's school transfer policy was questioned by area parents during the district's meeting on Sept. 12. Later in the month, the district officials launched an opinion poll to gain community input to be used by the district in preparing a five-year plan for area schools.

Navigation district commissioners sought information on how — or if — a court order halting dredge operations in East Matagorda Bay would affect the proposed maintenance dredging project in Lydia Ann Channel.

Also of concern to navigation district officials was rewiring of Rockport Harbor, and in a meeting later in the month they began consideration of a revenue bond issue to fund the estimated $90,054 cost.

Regulations regarding mobile homes inside Rockport city limits were questioned during a public hearing, Sept. 13, on the city's proposed new zoning ordinance. In a meeting following the hearing, the city council granted a request by Cecil Phelps for city utility service to Phelps' proposed new mobile home park just north of Enterprise Clinic.

The Texas Parks & Wildlife Department assumed management of the 43,893 acres of public land on Matagorda Island. The land had been under federal control.

The Aransas County United Fund organization launched its 1983 campaign on Sept. 19 with an announcement that the goal for the drive was $30,000.

The Rockport sales tax returns for the year through Aug. 31 were still running 28.05 percent ahead of returns for the same period in 1982.

The county library board members, in their September meeting, were in agreement on the need for an evaluation of the county library's facilities.

Fulton's town council voted to allocate $2,500 of the city's revenue sharing funds for remodeling of the Fulton Fire Station.

Rockport florist Gayna Harrell was named the 1983 Business & Professional Women's Club Woman of the Year.

Twenty-three contestants were reported lined up for the first annual Miss SeaFair pageant to be held in conjunction with the upcoming SeaFair IX.

Record crowds again reported at SeaFair IX

Plans were being finalized for Rockport's ninth annual SeaFair as October began. Held Oct. 8 and 9, the event — moved to the end of the city's Mile-long Beach — drew even larger crowds than in 1982 when an estimated 40-45,000 attended. Highlights of the event included the first Miss SeaFair Pageant with the winner being Alvina Sanchez.

The first section of the O'Connor House — donated to the Rockport Art Association to become the association's new art center — was moved to the site near Rockport Harbor leased by the art association for the purpose.

Allied Live Oak Bank announced plans early in the month for a new mini-bank facility to be located in Live Oak Plaza on Hwy. 35 North.

At a workshop meeting of Fulton's town council on Oct. 4, Mayor L. E. Casterline announced that he would like to make temporary repairs on the Fulton Fire Station and apply for a federal Housing & Urban Development (HUD) grant for a new town hall and fire station.

Aransas County launched an Alcohol Safety Driver's Education Program in an attempt to rehabilitate persons convicted of driving while intoxicated.

Absentee voting began Nov. 19 for the Nov. 8 Texas constitutional amendment elections.

Sales tax revenues for the year through September showed Rockport with receipts 28.59 percent ahead of 1982 and Fulton ahead by 1.2 percent.

A request by members of the Aransas County Woman's Club regarding lease of the site of their building on navigation district property raised a debate over the question of lease fees and the larger issue of how the navigation district could make up for a $26,000 deficit in its recreation fund.

At the same meeting, the navigation district commissioners voted to issue $500,000 in revenue bonds to pay for the rewiring of Rockport Harbor plus additional improvements to all three of the district's commercial harbors.

Fulton officials held the first public hearing Oct. 24 on the town's proposal to apply for a federal grant to fund a study on the feasibility of constructing wastewater treatment facilities.

Efforts began Oct. 24 to begin replacing the Rockport-Fulton High School Gymnasium floor which was damaged on Oct. 14 by water pressure. At a special meeting on Oct. 31, the school district board of trustees declared an emergency and retained Powermaster of Texas to replace the floor.

Following their defeat of the Sinton team Oct. 25, Rockport-Fulton's JV volleyball team ranked first in the district.

Aransas County officials voted 3-1 in a Nov. 26 meeting to accept the roads in the Bahia Bay Subdivision south of Rockport.



STRONG WINDS blew over this sign belonging to one of the businesses on Rockport's Austin Street Thursday morning. Cloudy skies, continued cold and a chance of rain Monday are in the forecast for the weekend.

(Photo by Page Jennings)

Weather

Cold to continue for while

By PAT BLAIR
Managing editor

The sun returned to the Rockport area Thursday morning but failed to bring relief from yet another arctic front that promised continued cold through the weekend.

A slight warming trend was predicted by the weather bureau as highs in the 40s to 50s, lows mostly in the 30s were forecast for South Texas Saturday through Monday.

Rockport Public Works Director J. C. Gurley reported Thursday morning the city was "gaining ground" on a loss of water pressure brought on by burst pipes and residents running water to keep pipes from freezing during the cold spell that began before Christmas.

"We're still asking people to conserve water," Gurley said Thursday morning, and he added the city is "still filling the tanks up at Peninsula Oaks," but there have been no breaks in city mains this week.

Gurley added there have been "a lot" of reports of water lines bursting in houses because of the cold weather.

He advised residents who are running water at night to keep the pipes from freezing to "let the water run in a stream no larger than a pencil." That size stream is sufficient to keep pipes from freezing, he said, cautioning that a smaller stream may not be enough. "If it's just a fast drip, the water can still freeze up," he said.

Temperatures in the area rose to 47 degrees Wednesday, according to Gurley, who added Thursday morning's reading at the City Hall guage was back down to 24.5.

Vernon Kleypas at Aransas Natural Gas said "everything's in good shape" for county residents heating by gas. "We did have to make some minor adjustments" earlier in the week because of the severe cold, Kleypas said, "but we haven't had any real problems. We do have plenty of natural gas."

Earlier in the week, Central Power & Light officials were asking area residents to set their thermostats no higher than 68 degrees in order to conserve energy.

Forecasts for the remainder of this week and through Monday call for mostly cloudy skies throughout the period with a chance of rain Monday.

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The county clerk's office is in the process of sending out new voter registration certificates to county residents. Any registered voter not receiving the blue certificate by Feb. 1 is asked to call or come by the county clerk's office in the Aransas County Courthouse.

Texas Safari adventure with a glimpse of the wild

CLIFTON — Tucked away in rugged limestone hills and lush canyons of the Bosque River area just northwest of Waco is the spectacular setting of an animal wonderland billed as The World's Largest Exotic Animal Drive Through Park, better known as Texas Safari.

A lifetime dream of such a place has come true since 1981 for Waco businessman and rancher A.C. Parsons, who has been described as fascinated with animals since childhood.

Parsons set off 800 acres of his 2,000-acre Seven Gables Ranch for just such a park where animals from all over the world could be seen and enjoyed close up in most cases and virtually all within average camera range.

While many of the creatures are so familiar with automobiles crawling the winding roads at 5 mph that little attention is given them, an admonition to remain in cars throughout the 7-mile tour of the park is the firm rule, including marked pull-over stops to view Indian caves and the scenic panarama from the hilltops some 300 feet above the valley for miles around, for examples. (Animals can be taken out of the wild, but the wild cannot always be taken out of the animal.)

Ironically, the most dangerous animal is the seemingly docile zebra, which has a nasty temperament and has been known to turn on their keepers.

And that is why visitors see them, alongside the equally mean ostriches, in a well-fenced enclosure near the headquarters. The big birds, incidentally, are a variety from Africa, Australia and South America.

Texas Safari visitors are also cautioned by humorous signs to take it easy on the steep grade leading downward to the headquarters gift shop and concession.

While it's not dangerous at all, they've left the hulk of an old water truck on the bottom of a hill as a visual joke and reminder to take it easy.

Most of the animals along the route are seen roaming free, with fencing apparent mostly at cattle guards and virtually none to distract from the openness as visitors move through five distinct areas.

International Plains contains open-land grazing animals native to virtually every continent; Mount Kilimanjaro Preserve features mostly horned creatures of the world; in the Texas Plains are native deer, buffalo, longhorns and turkeys; and in the African Compound and Ponds are ducks, geese and swans, ignored by unruly zebras nearby.

The only zoo-like containment is for lions, tigers and bears, and a giraffe is seen in a paddock adjacent to the headquarters.

Comments from visitors have been grafitying, said manager Roy Ackland, especially on cleanliness of the operation and total absence of litter. And so far, it is visitors who are the best advertisements for Safari, along with return visitors who come back to see it all again.

Among the 60 or so species of wild animals, which number more than 2,000, also are a pair of huge Belgian draft horses, domestic cattle, bison and sheep of every description and origin around the world.

Added to the menagarie in July 1981 were three adult white rhinoceros from South Africa, now numbering four with birth of a baby and more expected.

The adults, weighing some 8,000 pounds each, arrived in huge crates on a flat bed trailer, which required a crane to lower them to the ground. To keep the rhinos cool, each crate was fitted with electric blowers.

Described as small-brained, with poor eyesight but good hearing, the rhino is no match for animals wandering into its territory. The rhinos since have remained near enough to the road in the park for easy viewing and no longer care to plow through a nine-guage fence which they can easily snap, nor display territorial vengenance.

In addition to delighting travelers, Texas Safari is also in the brood stock import-export business. Young or surplus animals are sold regularly to other wildlife parks, zoos and private wildlife collectors. Many of the sheep birth year around, although springtime is a seasonal baby boom, including deer and other antlered species.

Texas Safari seemingly knows no season, and is open every day from 10 a.m. to one hour before sundown.

Photography supplies, animal feed and gifts are available at the main building.

To reach it from the north on I-35, take State 22 to Laguna Park and Farm Road 219 to Clifton; from the South on I-35, exit State 6 northwest. Continue through Clifton from the south to signs on State 6, oppositely from the north and northwest. Information: Texas Safari, Route 2, Clifton, Texas 76634; telephone 817/675-3658.

Clubs, groups & organizations

Photographers to meet

The Rockport Area Association of Photographers will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, in the meeting room of the Rockport Racket Club. New members are welcome to attend.

Copano Shrine meets

The Copano Shrine Club will meet at the Sandollar Restaurant Wednesday, Jan. 4. Social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. For reservations, call Frank Samson at 729-1187 or Glen Shean at 729-5182 no later than Monday, Jan. 2. All visiting Nobles and their ladies are welcome.

Funds are allocated to benefit Coastal Bend senior residents

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An additional $20,409 is being received in the Coastal Bend to supplement funds available this year for senior citizen programs. The Council of Governments allocated the supplementary funds on recommendations of the Council on Aging, which heard the requests of six applicants.

Of the total, Kleberg County will receive $5,384. This will be used to air condition the Riveria Center, to install ceiling fans in the Kingsville Center and to install water fountains in all centers in the county.

San Patricio County Community Action Agency will receive $1,825 to repair a van used to transport the elderly.

The Community Action Corporation of South Texas will receive $2,200 to equip a new kitchen in the Encino Center in Brooks County. Van repairs will get another share of the money, $3,500 which goes to Port Aransas in Nueces County.

Bee County Community Action Agency will receive $2,500 to install a new stove at the Beeville Center. The City of Corpus Christi is receiving $5,000 which will go toward the purchase of a new van for the RSVP program, retired volunteers.

The COG has recently been advised of the amount of money which will be received in 1984 to pay for contract services to the aged in the Coastal Bend.

There will be a total of $1,135,851 to be used within 12 counties. This is $718 less than had been expected in estimates made earlier by the Texas Department of Aging, which distributes federal funds. It is $14,371 less than was available to pay for the same services in 1983.

The region's portions of the federal funds are distributed according to a formula revised by the COG earlier this year, which considers

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population and income levels. The money supports both the nutrition programs, which provide hot meals in congregate centers and to the home bound, and supporting services such as transportation and activities.

There are 61,537 men and women in the Coastal Bend over the age of 60 — or were at the time of the taking of the census. This is 12.9 percent of the total population of 477,546. Of the total, 60.2 percent are Anglo American and 39.8 percent are Hispanic, Black or of other heritage.

Guns taken in theft

Numerous hand guns, rifles, a jewelry box and other miscellaneous items were reported stolen when a residence on Flamingo Road in Key Allegro was burglarized sometime between 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 26, and 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27. Entry was gained through an unlocked front window. The Aransas County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident.

A neighbor reported a residence in the 300 block of Copano Ridge Road burglarized sometime between Monday afternoon, Dec. 26, and Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 27. Apparently, the only item taken was a pair of binoculars valued at $20. The owner was out of town at the time of the incident.

A weed eater, a .22 pump rifle, several tools and clothes were reported stolen from a residence at Live Oak Point. Aransas County sheriff's deputies are investigating the incident.

Robert Dailey of Rockport reported that a person or persons had apparently broken the left side window of his automobile sometime between Saturday, Dec. 24, and 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 25.

A Fulton seafood company reported assorted cash and change totaling more than $300 plus a handgun valued at $200 stolen in a burglary sometime between 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22 and 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 23.

Two gas cans worth a total of $15 were reported stolen from a vacant lot on Magnolia Street sometime between noon and 11 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22.

Accidental damage occured at a Fulton laundromat after a pickup truck driven by David Ball of Port Aransas jumped the curb in the parking lot and struck the building. No damage estimate was available.

Sheriff's deputies arrested one man for driving while intoxicated and one man for refusing to submit to a breathalyzer test after he was stopped for driving while intoxicated last week.

Aransas County sheriff's officals are looking for a suspect named David Robert Ortega, alias Number One, who escaped from the Guadalupe County Jail Dec. 18. Ortega is wanted for the rape and murder of a 93-year-old Las Vegas, N.M., woman on Nov. 23. He is 26 years old, 5 feet, 4 inches tall, 120 pounds with brown hair and black eyes.

Anyone knowing his whereabouts or having pertinent information regarding Ortega is asked to call the Aransas County Sheriff's Department or Detective Sammy D. Vigil at the Las Vegas, (N.M.) Police Department, (505) 425-7505.

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