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NAVY TO BEGIN USE OF ARANSAS CO. FIELD RED CROSS WAR FUND DRIVE GETS UNDERWAY HERE

Piloting

Aransas county people should take the opportunity Sunday afternoon to visit their air field north of Rockport. It is one of the biggest bargains—and greatest assets—that will perhaps ever come our way.

For providing only a few thousand dollars worth of land Aransas county has been given a million dollar air field. Even in these times of nine and ten digit figures, a million dollars is still a lot of money—and a million dollar airport is something this county would have to dream about and maybe never realize if it had not been for government investment. The investment was made—not to provide Aransas County with a modern airfield, but to provide a training place for the Navy's sky warriors.

Nevertheless, Aransas county now owns a million dollar airfield. It is leased for the duration to the Navy. But after the war is won and aviation begins coming into its own as a civilian industry, the field will revert to the county for the use and benefit of everybody.

Everybody is anxious to know to what extent the Navy will use the field. Will the Navy build barracks, hangars and other facilities and station a lot of men here? That is the question in most everybody's mind.

For obvious reasons that might interest the enemy, Navy officials are reticent about giving out information regarding plans for military establishments. Rear Adm. Charles P. Mason, commandant of the Naval Air Station, said today that the field had been leased by the Navy and would be used "exclusively for training purposes."

County officials have been informed that there will be some men stationed at the field and certain construction would be carried out by the Navy to provide operating facilities. It is entirely possible that the Navy will find the new field so useful that it will be only the natural thing for it to be expanded. One of the strongest arguments that the new field will be further improved and used on a large scale that so large a sum was expended on its initial construction.

Whether the Navy ever builds a building, or not, Aransas county people have accomplished two things. First, they answered the call of duty and provided the land for a training field when they were called upon to do so. Two, they now own a million dollar air field and its post-war possibilities are unlimited.

P. S. Go out Sunday afternoon and drive over the field and see it first hand. After Sunday it will be closed to the public for the duration.

Rio Theatre Changes Show Starting Hour

Fred Booth, manager of the Rio Theatre, said today that beginning next Monday the night show would start at 7:30 each night.

Lt. Thos. Picton Gets Promotion To Captaincy

BOCA RATON, Fla.—The promotion to a Captaincy of 1st Lt. Thomas D. Picton of Rockport, Texas, now commanding officer of an Academic Group at Boca Raton Field, a Technical School of the AAF Training Command, was announced last week. Captain Picton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Picton, of Rockport, was in the lumber business and helped build sub-chasers before entering the service October 28, 1941.

Committees Named To Make Canvass

Generous Response on Part Of Public Needed To Reach Quota

Aransas county's drive to raise a \$2,200 war fund quota for the Red Cross got off to a good start Wednesday, Chas. T. Picton, chairman of the drive stated. He urged a generous response on the part of all to meet this year's quota.

This year's quota will require more generosity on the part of everyone than was required last year. This is because there are less shipyard employees and fewer people here to contribute to this vital phase of war work.

The chairman announced the appointment of the following team leaders: Mrs. Fred L. Booth, Mrs. Fred B. Hunt, Mrs. Jack Davis, Mrs. Chester Johnson, Mrs. Carroll Sanders, Mrs. Jim Barber, Mrs. Sherman Mundine, Mrs. Fred Saleh, and Mrs. Willard Young.

Each of the leaders has selected a group to assist in canvassing the territory assigned and everyone in the county will be given an opportunity to contribute to this great cause, which is doing so much for our men in the service.

Honor Roll Given For 4th Six Weeks

Below are students who are on the Rockport school honor roll for the fourth six weeks. Students must make grades between 90 and 100 to be eligible for the honor roll.

12th Grade:
Molly Sparks, 4 A's, Bonnie Smith, 3 A's, Lillian Casterline, 4 A's, Bonnie Gwynn, 5 A's.

11th Grade:
Elmer McLester 3 A's, Wanda Hayden, 4 A's.

10th Grade:
David Herring, 4 A's, Virginia Gilstrap, 4 A's.

9th Grade:
Lucille Haynes, 4 A's, Juanita Pitschke, 3 A's, Colleen Smith, 4 A's, Wilma Rouquette, 3 A's, Lucille Young, 4 A's, Ella Mae Green, 4 A's, Bert Haney, 4 A's, Joe Johnson, 4 A's, Betty Haynes, 4 A's.

8th Grade:
Bonnie Cron, Wilbern Hamblin, Loretta Townsend, Iletta Townsend, Patti Ballou.

7th Grade:
Frederick Close, Glenn Owens, Doris Casey, Theodore Dupnik, La Verne Thompson, Mildred Wilkinson.

6th Grade (Mrs. Hart):
Camilo Delgado, Dan Corpus, Janet Gentry, Thyra Jean Butler.

6th Grade (Mrs. Gunter):
Julianne Richardson, Gene Smith, Ruby Mae Wilkinson.

5th Grade (Miss Clarke):
Kathryn Atwood, Mary Ann Close, Bettie Lou Garrett, Charlotte Anne Gunter, Marjorie Hunt, Ruth Glenda McShan, Berta Gene Shults, Irene Rethmeyer, Joyce Nell Townsend.

5th Grade (Mrs. Cavitt):
Nellie King

4th Grade:
Rosa Faye Hamblin, Tommie Cron, Dorothy Baker, Elsie Blackwell, Carol Townsend, Gary Smith, Leslie Crawford, Lupe Solis.

3rd Grade:
Alma Jean Ratliff, Bonnie McGregor, Ro Jean Mikael, Dora Belle McLester, Hazel Young, Joe Herring, Mitchell Butler, Charles Hammond Smith, Johnnie Joe Atwood, Cloyce Hayden, Joe Earl Hunt, Robert Cornett.

2nd Grade:
June Perrin, Lola Jean Ballou, Charlie Garrett.

1st Grade:
Billy Buckley

1st Grade LA:
Bernard Pena.

Before he became an inventor, Robert Fulton was a portrait painter.

Rockport Man In South Pacific Says Red Cross Doing Real Job

(Editor's Note: The following is an unsolicited letter received here this week by Mayor Travis Johnson from Lyle Diederich, who is in the South Pacific. It should inspire everyone to be generous in their contributions to the Red Cross.)

Hello Travis:
I am sitting out here in the middle of nowhere and naturally my thoughts are at home. I think of my wife, my folks and all my friends. I live over and over the past and can picture practically everything that has ever happened there.

All of you are working just as hard as the boys who are overseas. You, as treasurer of the Red Cross, and all the others who work on it, are doing a swell job. But I wonder if you really know what a jam

up job you are doing. I'll try in a way to tell you just what you are accomplishing through your efforts.

An island is no sooner taken by the Allies, and there is the Red Cross right there to help everyone. The things which mean so much to us such as books, records, pipes and papers which we can't carry with us is all furnished by the Red Cross.

We went to New Zealand for a rest. Naturally we were happy to get out of the islands for awhile but everyone was pretty much down-hearted because we didn't come home. One of the representatives of the Red Cross came to our camp and told of the many places we could spend our time. They made arrangements for train tickets, picnics, dances both sail

and motor boat rides, hayrides, places to stay, restaurants to eat in, and even had a large place of their own with American cooked food. All the restaurants served tea, but the Red Cross had good old American coffee and as much of it as you wanted. You and many others know how I love my coffee and that alone was really something for me.

If one of the boys wanted to spend his time on a farm, they spend his time on a farm, they made arrangements for that. In other words they just work day and night to see that everyone is as much at home as possible. The boys who didn't have enough money, were given money by the Red Cross and told there was no hurry about paying it back, as it wasn't

a loan, but just an assurance that everyone would have enough while they were there. It wasn't only us, but all the service men who were there. I can't begin to tell you all they do to help all of us and I want you all to know what a swell job you are doing.

This is no sales talk, because I can see one isn't needed, it's just a letter from one of the many thousands who are having dull moments brightened every day by the Red Cross.

Tell everyone hello for me and I hope this finds you and yours in good health.

When you get time drop me a line.

Sincerely yours,
Dago

Morgan Wheeler Re-elected As Superintendent

State Inspector Commends Progress Made in Work, Checks Affiliations

Morgan C. Wheeler, was re-elected last week as superintendent of the Rockport schools for the 1944-45 term, according to T. C. Kelly, president of the school board. Wheeler is serving his first year here as school superintendent. He came here to accept the post last summer. Previously he was principal of Banquete high school.

"Everything seems to be running very nicely at school", Kelly said.

John B. Hayes, deputy state superintendent, was in Rockport this week on an inspection. He reported that school work has greatly improved since his earlier visits. He checked all departments and reported that every affiliated credit is being maintained.

Hayes praised the school for improvement in organization, the emphasis that is being placed on war work including observation tower, bond sales and the organization of a Victory Corps; maintenance of teacher personnel, definite organization of playground and athletic set-up, and teacher and student activities.

Sparks Dry Goods Store Now Moved To New Location

The Sparks Dry Goods Store is now located in a building adjoining the post office, moving from the Bushart building. The barber shop formerly in the new Sparks location and operated by R. M. Maize has been moved to the Bushart building.

J. M. Sparks, owner of the store, purchased the building for his store from Wm. Mayer.

Calling All Knitters

Mrs. Fred L. Booth wishes to call the attention of all knitters to the fact that a new shipment of wool has been received and the Tuesday knitting classes have been resumed—time 3:30 o'clock. There are orders for sweaters, helmets, mufflers and gloves.

Chief and Mrs. Raymond Owens have gone to Florida, where Chief Owens is stationed. He came here for a visit and his wife accompanied him back to his station.

Price Panel Head Warns Violators

George Lilly, chairman of the price panel of War Price and Rationing Board, today issued a warning to business establishments who are not complying with price ceilings. He said that checking had been carried out in cafes and found their prices "very unsatisfactory". "They have had all this time—about eight or nine months—and it Lilly said.

"I hope that everybody will fall is the same old story," Lilly said. "We have been checking cafes as to prices they are charging and found them very unsatisfactory", he continued. "They have given no cooperation. They say they will do things and then don't do it."

A check is still going on at present into all other types of business, including dry goods stores, drug stores, garages and others, in line and we won't have to call a special investigator here to file charges," the chairman continued. "We on the price panel have been assigned to do this job for the war effort. We can't afford to go on giving our time and worrying with a few people who won't fall into line."

"The grocery stores have been doing their best to comply and have for the most part. They are always willing to cooperate."

Home Economics Class Presents Show For PTA

PTA to Top Tennis Court And Buy Library Books

The Parent-Teacher Association met in regular session Wednesday afternoon in the school auditorium. After the assembly song and a prayer by Supt. Morgan Wheeler, the program was sponsored by the Home Economics department under the direction of Mrs. Crockett McManus.

During the presentation of a style show, garments made by members of the home making class were modeled, including skirts, blouses, jumpers and dresses.

Following the style show a group sang "The Last Time I Saw Paris". Dressed in floor length blue gowns the girls sang "Sweet Little Alice Blue Gown" and led the assembly in "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet".

Mrs. Loraine Harmon addressed the organization on the topic "Teen Age Problems."

During the business session the association voted to top the tennis court and to spend \$100 for the purchase of books for the elementary library. Mrs. Houston Ratliff, Ways and Means chairman announced that the sum of \$66.45 cleared at the cake raffle and food sale at the Victory Concert would be applied on the indebtedness of the band uniforms.

The 3rd grade was awarded the attendance prize. During the social hour refreshments consisting of punch, cookies and cheese crackers were served in the Home Economics room by Billy Jean Sears, Dorothy Lee Shaver, Fern Rethmeyer, Charlotte Cron, Patsy Davis, Charlyne Davis. Mrs. Morgan Wheeler presided at the punch bowl.

One 18-year-old Registers in February

February was a light month for eighteenth birthday anniversaries in Aransas county. Only one registrant was reported by the local Selective Service Board. He was Cecilio Rudy Nava.

Judge and Mrs. Fox Entertain Friends

Judge and Mrs. B. S. Fox entertained a small group of friends at luncheon in their home Sunday. Those present included Mayor and Mrs. Travis Johnson, Mrs. R. C. Schmeling, Mrs. McVivar, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox and small son.

Aransas Gas and Hardware Is Now Firestone Store

The Aransas Gas and Hardware Co. is now an affiliated Firestone Store, according to Ben Brown, owner. In this week's issue of the Pilot the store is carrying a large advertisement of specials and hard-to-get items.

Brown said that affiliation with the Firestone system would enable the store to provide more merchandise for his customers here. The store is now well-stocked with other items arriving daily.

"We cordially invite everyone to come in and visit our store and see the line of merchandise we have to offer", Brown said.

Mrs. Simmons Given Surprise On Birthday

Mrs. Reid Simmons was pleasantly surprised Thursday afternoon when five of her friends called and began wishing her "Happy Birthday" and then backed up their words by bringing all the makings of a happy party.

"I never was so surprised in my life", said Mrs. Simmons. "They brought in a big angel food birthday cake that had my name on it, and candles, too. And, besides that they brought sandwiches and coffee. We sure had a big time."

Those providing the surprise party were Mrs. Houston Ratliff, Mrs. R. H. Dickens, Mrs. Earl Wright, Mrs. A. M. McNatt and Mrs. Ed Pritcher.

Two Aransas Pass Youths Killed In Truck Accident

Two Aransas Pass youths, Barney Ray Perkins and Douglas Briscoe were killed last Saturday when the gasoline truck in which they were riding overturned on a curve a mile east of Aguilares, Texas, on the Laredo and Corpus Christi highway.

Perkins was killed outright and Briscoe passed away Sunday afternoon in a Laredo hospital from a skull fracture and other injuries received in the fatal crash.

No details as to the cause or circumstances of the accident are available here.

Perkins Funeral Monday
Funeral services were held for Barney Ray Perkins, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Perkins of this city, Monday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church with the Rev. Frank M. Taylor officiating. Interment was in the Prairie View Cemetery under the direction of Cagle Funeral Home.

Perkins was born in Beeville, Jan. 17th, 1926, moving with his family to Aransas Pass in 1929 where he has made his home ever since. He attended the Aransas Pass schools up until 1942.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Perkins, three sisters, Mrs. C. E. Brooks of Rockport, Miss Susie Elizabeth Perkins and Mrs. T. K. Wood both of Aransas Pass; two brothers, J. D. Perkins of Rockport, and H. D. Perkins of Sinton.

Public Invited To Inspect Field Sunday

CAA Accepts Field From Contractors Monday

Aransas county people are invited to inspect their new million dollar air field Sunday afternoon from 2 until 4 o'clock. After that time the field will be in use by the Navy for the duration of the war.

County Judge B. S. Fox said that arrangements have been made with the Navy for the public inspection Sunday afternoon. During the two hour period there will be no planes using the run-ways to insure safety for the visitors.

Monday the new air field was accepted from the contractors by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. The contractor was Heldenfels Bros. and CAA officials expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the field.

Nestling in a curve of the blue waters of Copano Bay, the new field was completed at a cost to the CAA of approximately one million dollars. Land for the field was purchased by the county and title to the field remains in the county.

"You have the most beautiful field in South Texas," said C. A. Willis, airport engineer of the CAA, who made the location for the field over a year ago. "Because it is so ideally situated and is such a good field, I believe the Navy will put it to much use."

Judge Fox said that he had been informed by Navy officials that a small group of men would be stationed at the field and that facilities would be provided for its care and operation as a landing training field. It will be used by big twin-motor planes.

The field has three 4,500 foot runways, taxi ways, aprons, etc. On Sunday afternoon the public may drive over the runways and see the entire field. There will be persons about the field who are acquainted with the layout to answer questions, and assist people in seeing the field.

Survey work on the field started in February of last year and a brush contract was let and clearing of the land began on March 25. During the latter part of April Heldenfels Bros. was given a contract to level the field and construct the runways and work was started immediately.

Citizens here voted \$40,000 in bonds to purchase the land for the field.

Oklahoma Girl And C. E. Herzfeld Are Married

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Herzfeld were married recently in Oklahoma. The bride is the former Miss Helen Louise Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry J. Morris of Shattuck, Okla. The groom is a son of the late J. Herzfeld and was born in Rockport. His father, the late J. Herzfeld, was at one time city secretary here.

Herzfeld is a nephew of Mrs. Sam Prophet of Rockport.

Boy Scouts To Collect Waste Paper

Scoutmaster Evans Corbin states that arrangements are being made for the local Scout troop to handle the collection of waste paper in Rockport. He urges that people who have substantial amounts of waste paper to hold the same until arrangements can be completed to collect and store it.

The Scouts will collect the paper and sell it to a concern in Corpus Christi. The problem now being solved is a place to store the paper so that it will not be a fire hazard. Full details will probably be available by next week.

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Harvard celebrated its 300th anniversary in 1936.

The man in the next block says that chemistry's most outstanding contribution to the world is blondes.

DeForest Brothers Entertain For Group of Friends

Bernie and Glenn DeForest entertained a group of school friends at their home in Fulton, Friday night. After an evening spent in playing games, cake and punch were served to Miss Jean Marie Roberts, Miss Wilbern Hamblin, Miss Lucille Haynes, Miss Lorena Crozier, Miss Sissie Rowe, Miss Frances Roe, Miss Bertha McElwee, Miss Elaine Madden, Miss Bonnie Cron, Miss Mary Ruth Dervage, Miss Ottie Mundine, Miss Wilma Rouquette, Edwin Mundine, Nathan Sprinkle, Clarence Sprinkle, Russell Rowe, Jesse Mayer, Charles McGee, Charles Dietrich, Jack Dietrich, Donald Weber, Dexter Wright.

Members of Cemetery Assn. Urged to Pay Dues

The Cemetery Association met in regular session, Monday afternoon with the president, Mrs. John C. Sorenson, presiding. Routine business was conducted and some plans for future development discussed. Payment of dues from some of the members were reported and the reporter was asked to urge all members to pay same at their earliest convenience.

Baptist Sunday School Class Has Party

Members of the Intermediate Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church had a party at the Recreation Hall Saturday night, with the sponsor, Mrs. L. W. Hunt, chaperoning the group.

Stunts and games were the evening program and hot chocolate and cookies were served to Miss Elizabeth Freeman, Miss Dorothy Stone, Miss Loretta Townsend, Miss Iletta Townsend, Miss La Verne Thompson, Miss Mildred Wilkinson, Miss Coleen Smith, Miss Mary Isabel Mullinax, Alva Freeman, Charles Brown, Vernon Brown.

University Students Visiting at Home

A group of students from the University of Texas, Austin, is here to spend a few days between trimesters.

The group includes Miss Shirley Johnson, Miss Anne Ruth Jackson, Miss Mary Virginia Jackson, Miss Lorraine Steffa, Miss Marilee Bachman, Billy Ferris and Delo Caspary.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Facing an oncoming tank at 30 yards with a tommygun, 24-year-old Lieut. David C. Waybur, Piedmont, Calif., knocked that tank out of commission and was responsible for the capture of three others in the Sicilian campaign. Now recovered from wounds received, he is the first to win the Congressional Medal of Honor on European soil. Let's all Back the Attack with that extra War Bond.

U. S. Treasury Department

Local Red Cross Workers Put In Over 7,000 Hours Sewing, Knitting to Help Those in Need

The Volunteer Special Service committee of the local Red Cross chapter has just closed a very busy year. The ladies working with this committee have spent 7025 hours. Some have cut the garments, some have made them, others have knitted and a few have done both sewing and knitting.

The sewing group which was composed of 64 ladies has completed the following garments—649 girls blouses, 209 childrens slips, 32 mens hospital bed shirts, 27 mens convalescence robes.

The knitting group of 27 ladies has completed 42 mens sweaters, 46 mufflers, 11 helmets, 29 pairs wristlets.

A shipment of yarn has recently arrived which the knitting group has started on and at present the sewing group is making kit bags.

Mrs. Fred Brundrett is chairman of the Volunteer Special Service committee with Mrs. John C. Sorenson serving as production chairman and Mrs. Fred Booth as chairman of the knitting department.

Miss Iris Sorenson, chairman of

Faculty Club Meets Thursday For Game Party

The Faculty Club met Thursday night at the High School with Mrs. Julian Thompson, Mrs. Roy Lee Hart and Mrs. Charlyne Hunt as co-hostesses.

The affair was designated a "game party" with bridge, buncio, "42", hearts and chinese checkers furnishing the evening's entertainment. Hand-painted tally cards featured assorted holiday motifs. Refreshments of heavenly hash, angel food squares, sandwiches and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Butler, Mrs. Lorraine Harmon, Mrs. Clara Seaton, Mrs. Bertha Harper, Mrs. Crozier, Mrs. Crockett McManus, Miss Katie Lee Clarke, Miss Florene Page, Julian Thompson.

The Home Service Department has reported receiving letters from service men from a number of different states acknowledging the kit bags and expressing appreciation. Each bag is marked with a tag showing where it was packed.

Mrs. Blomquist Hostess For W. S. C. S. Social

Mrs. John Blomquist was hostess to the members of the Woman's Society for Christian Service of the Methodist Church for the regular social meeting of the organization, last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. John Haynes gave the devotional, "God's Truth Abideth Still" and Mrs. R. A. Phelps gave the invocation. "Youth of Other Lands" was presented by Mrs. C. G. Raulerson, Mrs. R. R. Ghormley, Mrs. Fred Brundrett, Miss Lucille Haynes and Bert Haney.

A salad course was served to the Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Ghormley, Mrs. R. A. Phelps, Mrs. Clarke Rooke, Miss Minnie Friend, Mrs. L. J. Hartin, Mrs. Fay Reddock, Mrs. Gilbert Carver, Mrs. E. S. Coghlin, Mrs. J. A. Rogers, Mrs. Ed. Moore, Mrs. C. L. Harris, Mrs. E. G. Cooke, Mrs. Fred Brundrett, Mrs. John Haynes, Mrs. W. H. Graham, Mrs. H. B. Butler, Mrs. L. F. Reddock, Mrs. C. G. Raulerson, Mrs. H. B. Stanley, Mrs. T. W. Berry, and Mrs. Paul Plummer.

Alice Ballard Honoree At Birthday Party

Little Alice Ballard of Beeville, who has been visiting for some time in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Edmison, was honored Saturday afternoon when her grandmother and her mother, Mrs. Jim Ballard, gave a party in her honor on her 7th birthday anniversary.

Indoor and outdoor games were played and prizes won by Peggy Joyce Owens and Frances Lee Deason. The white and blue birthday cake was served with punch to Iva Lee Haynes, Frances Lee Deason, Linda Beth Deason, Lola Jean Ballou, Peggy Joyce Owens, Virginia Lee Meider of Robstown and Carol and Clydene Sparks of Refugio.

Mrs. Travis Bailey Honoree At Surprise Party

Mrs. Fancher Archer and Mrs. Pat Hooper honored Mrs. Travis Bailey with a surprise birthday party at the home of Mrs. Archer, Saturday afternoon.

It was a gala occasion when the honoree opened her joke gifts from a small group of close friends and the white and pink birthday cake with its glowing candles was served with coffee.

Present were Mrs. L. M. Bracht, Miss Mabel Bracht, Miss Genevieve Bracht, Miss Vivien Picton, Miss Velma Picton, Miss Iris Sorenson, Miss Carolyn Ada Hooper, Mrs. A. L. Bruhl.

Personals

Mrs. Norvell Jackson of Austin, University of Texas student and baby daughter, Mary Lucille, are visiting in the S. F. Jackson home this week.

Pvt. Roger Bracht, in the Marine Reserve, studying at Georgetown University, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bracht this week.

Mrs. Charlyne Hunt, Mrs. Reid Simmons, Joe Earl Hunt and Jimmy Reid Simmons spent last weekend in San Antonio.

Marvin Pollard, Yeoman 3-c of Cabanis Field is spending a leave in the home of his parents, the Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Pollard.

Miss Genevieve Davis left Wednesday morning to visit friends in Seattle, Wash.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunt included Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Seacamp and baby and George Dahoe of Woodsboro, H. D. Highfill of Brownsville and F. W. Hunt of Beeville.

CAGE FUNERAL HOME Ambulance Service Gentry Reynolds Fred P. James

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bruhl had as dinner guests Sunday, Captain and Mrs. C. K. Bruhl and Lt. Chas. Medlick of the Army Flying Field at Cuero. Miss Welburn and Miss Kenedy of Houston; Mrs. Gladys Gibson and Mrs. Jean Allison of Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mullen and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Driscoll of New Orleans spent Monday and Tuesday in Rockport, guests of their cousins, Mrs. W. G. Cline, Mrs. Tom DeForest, Ray and Will Wendell.

Miss Yvonne Wendell and Mrs. Jack Sparks, Jr. visited in Corpus Christi Tuesday.

Mrs. R. R. Roberts and grandson, Roy Stanley Skinner of Corpus Christi spent the week-end in Rockport, guests of Forest Park Cottages.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Plummer and son Jimmy and Mrs. A. L. Bachman spent Saturday afternoon in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Travis Owens is visiting relatives in Robstown this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Meider have returned to Robstown after a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Edmison.

CAGE FUNERAL HOME Ambulance Service Gentry Reynolds Fred P. James

Mrs. A. R. Stewart is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Hemmi in Brownsville this week.

Mrs. Jim Barber and Mrs. Clarence Hardgraf spent Monday in Refugio.

Mrs. L. V. McLester, Mrs. Jim Barber, Joyce Ann Barber and R. R. Barber were recent visitors to Beeville, guests in the home of Mrs. V. G. Thoms.

According to legend, Davy Jones is the mythical ruler of Limbo under the sea.



From where I sit...

by Joe Marsh

Lem Martin's dog went on a rampage last week...killed four of Ed Carey's best hens.

Naturally, Ed was pretty mad. Went around vowing he was going to get his shotgun and blow the blazes out of Lem's dog when he saw him. And Lem says, "Let him try it and I'll blow the blazes out of him. Ought to keep his chickens locked-up, anyhow."

But Ed and Lem are really mighty sensible fellows. And the whole thing was settled when Lem invited Ed over for a glass of beer, and they sat around

chatting over the quarrel as if it were a kind of joke.

"Shucks," says Ed, "them hens didn't amount to much now." And Lem says: "Just the same I'm bringin' you a barrel o' apples to pay for 'em."

From where I sit, it would be a lot better for the world if folks would settle their arguments peaceful-like—sitting around over a friendly glass of beer—instead of going off half-cocked, and making mountains out of molehills.

Joe Marsh

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Churches Join In Observing Day of Prayer

The World's Day of Prayer was observed last Friday afternoon at the First Baptist Church with members of the various denominations taking part in the program.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Mabel Bryant, Mrs. James G. Hooper led the services. The invocation was given by Mrs. R. A. Phelps and responsive parts were given by Mrs. H. B. Butler, Mrs. Kate Ezell, Mrs. McNatt, Mrs. L. A. Shuffield, Mrs. L. W. Hunt, and Mrs. Harry Mills.

The program was interspersed with congregational singing and prayers offered by the Rev. T. H. Pollard, Mrs. W. H. Morrison, Mrs. D. C. McBride, Mrs. George W. Walton and Mrs. C. L. Harris.

Mrs. E. John Meyers was in charge of the music and accompanied Mrs. Hooper who sang "The Prayer Perfect". The benediction was given by the Rev. Meyers.

Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. H. W. Schmidt of Taft dedicated the flowers on the altar to the memory of Mrs. E. H. Norvell as a tribute to her unceasing efforts to further the cause of her Lord and Saviour and her untiring labor of love in every church in the community and her work among the young people for their pleasure, uplift and cultural advancement.

"She is not dead, her memory lingers on. She has only laid aside her earthly care."

And to the Heavenly home has gone

To wait for all to join her there.

Mrs. Herbert Mills summarized the work that has been accomplished by the offerings from these services since it's beginning and reminded the audience that the benefit thus derived was used for Christian literature, union Christian colleges, migrants and sharecroppers and Indian students in U. S. Government schools. This movement is sponsored by the United Council of Church Women and 50 countries observed this occasion so the service was going all day from the Fiji Islands to Alaska.

Gonzales Party Guests Here of Mrs. Bryant

Guests in the home of Mrs. Mabel K. Bryant Tuesday included Chief H. L. Ramsay of Ward Island, Mrs. Ramsay and son, Bobby of Gonzales, Mrs. Dick Bainter of San Angelo and Mrs. C. C. Crippen of Clarkston, Wash.

Mrs. Bryant complimented them with a Mexican dinner, and other guests included Mrs. James G. Hooper, Mrs. Ella Kenedy and Miss Floy Kenedy. In the afternoon the party enjoyed a trip to Corpus Christi.

Wednesday morning Mrs. Hooper honored the visitors with a 9 o'clock breakfast.

First WAC Wins 'Soldier of Week'

POCATELLO, Idaho — There is no doubt about women are invading the man's world.

For months, various Army men have been named "Soldier of the Week" at Gowen Field. But the latest award, which is based on "soldierly appearance and knowledge of military courtesy", was made to Cpl. Elinor Price of Orangeburg, S. C.

She is the first WAC to receive the honors.

Berlin Furnishes Jewish Type Fonts

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High School Set Enjoys Party At C. R. DeForest Home

Mrs. C. R. DeForest was hostess to a group of the young high school set at her home in Fulton, Saturday night. After playing games for several hours, cold drinks were served to Miss Sissie Rowe, Miss Bertha McElwee, Miss Wilma Rouquette, Miss Frances Roe, Miss Wilbern Hamblin, Miss Elaine Madden, Miss Hazel Burton, Elmer McLeester, Ollie Mundine, Edwin Mundine, Clarence Sprinkle, Nathan Sprinkle, Russell Rowe, Jesse Meyer, Charles McGee, Charles Dietrich, Jackie Dietrich, Donald Weber and Dexter Wright.

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AUSTIN — Urgent need of the Army and Navy for 2,000 physiotherapists has prompted the University of Texas to open a new class in physiotherapy at the medical branch in Galveston, to start March 27, University offices announced here today.

Mrs. J. T. Clark and baby daughter have moved here from Berkeley, Calif., to make their home for the duration. Lieutenant Clark is on overseas duty with the Navy. Mrs. Clark is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sellers of Rockport.

Mrs. S. J. Baugh is visiting here in the home of her father, John Baugh for a short while. Mrs. Baugh resides in Oklahoma and her husband, S. J. Baugh, is now stationed in New Guinea.

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President Godfrey stated that his company has employed B. T. Miller of Florida who has had extensive experience in mackeral fishing along the Gulf Coast, who will be in charge of constructing special nets for use in this undertaking.

All material for making the nets have been secured and is now in Aransas Pass and Mr. Miller has started constructing the nets which will range from 1,000 to 1,500 feet in length. Mesh will be designed for mackeral.

Would Revolutionize Fishing
Success of the Western Shell Fish Co.'s undertaking would practically revolutionize the fishing industry along the Gulf coast, especially pertaining to mackeral fishing. The tonnage of fish possible by this method is practically unlimited as the Gulf waters swarm with mackeral during the height of the fishing season.

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"It all goes to prove what I've said time and time again, Chet...prohibition does not prohibit. It's been tried in this country 47 times in the last 33 years and discarded everywhere except in three states. Was found to be a failure and abandoned in Canada, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia, too."
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