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Dec. 12	70	46	0	29.84
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Henry R. Garcia County's First Vietnam Death

Army S. Sgt. Henry R. Garcia, 26, Rockport, is the first Aransas county man to be killed in the Vietnam conflict.

Garcia was killed Sunday in an ambush by hostile forces. He was serving with Advisory Team No. 70 of the Army's III Corps. The Rockport native had been in the Army since September of 1958.

Garcia's survivors include his wife; two sons, Henry Garcia, Jr. and Pete Garcia, all of Rockport; his parents, Henry P. Garcia of San Antonio and Mrs. Trinidad Garcia of Rockport; five brothers, S. Sgt. J. T. Garcia with the U.S. Air Force in Dover, Del., Spec. 4 Joe. Garcia, with the U.S. Army in Thailand, Pvt. John Garcia, with the U.S. Army in Arizona, Gilbert Garcia of Port Lavaca and Richard Garcia of Rockport; four sisters, Mrs. Manuel Quintana of Dover, Del. and Misses Linda, Sylvia and Patricia Garcia, all of Rockport.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by Cage-Marshall Funeral Home in Rockport.

Nav. Commissioners Get \$25 Raise

Commissioners Matt Scott, Ted Little and Dick Fox of Aransas County Navigation District No. 1 have had their salaries increased from \$100 to \$125 a month.

Approval was given Monday by Aransas County Commissioners Court after the Navigation District attorney, Ellis L. Clark pointed out that the Navigation commissioners' responsibilities had increased considerably during the past few years. Their last salary increase was granted in 1961.

In other actions, the Commissioners Court:

—Awarded a contract to Commercial Motor Co., Aransas Pass, on its low bid of \$4,000 difference for two 1968 police cars for the Sheriff's Department, with the county trading in a 1965 Ford patrol car.

Other bidders were Atzenhoffer Chevrolet Co., Victoria, \$4,141.84 difference; George Motor Sales, Aransas Pass, \$4,269.08 difference; Geo. Clark Chevrolet, Aransas Pass, \$4,527 difference; and Lew Williams Chevrolet, Corpus Christi, \$4,800 difference.

—At the request of M. W. Cochran, granted permission to J. O. Enider to erect a new pier in Copano Bay, and to Col. C. A. Gray to erect a new pier in Aransas Bay.

—Approved the following fee reports: County Clerk W. E. Beasley, \$1,394; Justice of the Peace Lawrence Miller, \$103.50; Sheriff Joe Earl Hunt, \$98.15; Justice of the Peace J. Paul Rogers, \$84.00; and Justice of the Peace E. B. Crawford, Sr., \$10.50.

—Received a report from James W. Hunt, County Service Officer, that during the month of October veterans in Aransas county received financial benefits totaling \$14,886.

At a recent meeting of County Commissioners, they voted to accept the streets in Oak Terrace subdivision.

Mrs. Marie Fincher Gets CP&L Award

Mrs. Marie Fincher received a 10-year CP&L service award Tuesday night at the annual Christmas party and awards program of the company's Gulf Coast district at Americana Motor Hotel in Alice. The award was a bracelet.

Also present from Rockport were Mrs. Fincher's husband, D. M. Fincher, and John E. Ross, manager of the local CP&L office.

A total of 38 employees were honored with service awards from 5 to 40 years. Barney Davis, assistant to the president of CP&L, made the presentations.

The awards were presented following a steak dinner. The Christmas theme was carried out for the decorations.

Living Tableau To Be Presented By Presbyterians

As it does each year, the Senior High Fellowship of First Presbyterian Church will present a Living Tableau—a live presentation of the major events surrounding the birth of Christ—on the front lawn of the church at 7 and 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 18 and 19.

Even a live donkey will be included in the presentation. Two performances will be presented each evening, lasting about 35 minutes. The audience generally drive up, park and remain in their cars during the performance.

The only condition for canceling a performance would be rain or rain-soaked ground which would endanger the health of the performers. Cold weather will not cancel a performance.

Aliens Must Report Addresses

District Director Joe P. Staley, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service stated that the annual alien address report program usually causes a sharp rise in the number of applications for naturalization.

The law requires all aliens in the United States, with few exceptions, to report their addresses each January. Throughout the United States, almost thirty percent more applications for naturalization are received during the months of January, February and March than are received during other months. Mr. Staley attributes this sudden rise to the Alien Address Report Program.

Aliens not required to make this report are diplomats and those persons accredited to certain international organizations.

Forms for making the reports will be available to aliens at all Post Offices and offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service where personnel trained in these fields will be available to answer inquiries.

Fire Department Elects Officers

The Rockport Volunteer Fire Department met Dec. 7. Meeting called to order by President Benny Bloomer. Regular routine business carried on, and committee reports were given.

Rockport Lions Club will furnish a blood type list for the department. James Richard Fox, Jr., came back into the department as a member. The department wishes to thank CP&L for hooking up the Christmas lights.

Election of officers was held for 1968: Chief Johnny Ray, Jr.; first assistant chief, Benny Bloomer; second assistant chief, Gary Smith; captain No. 1, J. C. Gurley; captain No. 2, Cecil H. "Bopie" Cole; president, Richard Fox; vice president, Charles Hammond Smith; secretary, Mike Tedder; treasurer, Jimmy Little; sergeant-at-arms, Raymond Wolf; chaplain, Cecil V. Gray. Appointed officer: Publicity and public relations, Bill Gray.

Cakes were furnished for refreshments by Mrs. Jimmy Ankele and Mrs. Bill Gray.

TEEN DANCE AT VFW

There will be a teen dance at the VFW Hall on Saturday, Dec. 16, 8 p.m. to midnight.

Sponsoring and playing for this dance will be "The Complex 5" of Rockport. Admission will be \$1.00.

Youth membership cards are not necessary, but there will be a minimum age limit of 14 years.

LAMAR FIREMEN ELECT OFFICERS

Lamar Volunteer Fire Department held its regular meeting Dec. 7. New officers elected were:

Bill Williams, chief; A. Y. Wofford, assistant chief; Daugherty Roberts, treasurer; L. V. Clark, secretary; Pete Gibson, sergeant-at-arms.

Talk Presented On Highway 35

The Portland Chamber of Commerce was told Tuesday that eventually Highway 35 should be divided from Gregory to north of Tivoli.

Travis Long, district engineer stationed at Corpus Christi, said it was his personal opinion that the divided highway will be needed.

Such a highway would bypass both Aransas Pass and Rockport and other developed areas.

"There is nothing on paper but we have bought aerial photographs trying to find the best location," he said.

Long said he is concerned that he has not heard of Ingleside, Aransas Pass or Rockport talking about master drainage plans to prevent standing water.

"We have had many complaints since Hurricane Beulah about drainage and I don't blame people for complaining. Some people were hit hard," he said.

Long ditches along highways cannot adequately drain large amounts of water.

"I feel there has to be help from somebody, either at the state or national level, to help finance drainage projects," Long commented. — Callertimes.

Christmas Decoration Contest Underway

The Chamber of Commerce again this year will sponsor a Christmas decoration contest among business establishments and homes.

A total of four prizes, each one a turkey, will be awarded for the most outstanding and most unique exterior decorations in the two categories.

Judges already have been selected. Shortly before Christmas they will drive around in this area, viewing the yuletide decorations in the residential areas and in the business district.

In both home and business firm categories, two prizes of turkeys will be awarded: One for what the judges call "best display" and one for "most original."

No entry blank is necessary to enter this contest. Just decorate the exterior of your home or place of business. However, if you think there is any chance that the judges might not see your display, call the Chamber of Commerce (SO 4-6445) and the judges will be asked to view your entry.

Pilot Receives Service Award from Post Office



PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD is presented by Postmaster Rowan to Roy Woods (left) and Roy Rogero, Publishers of The Rockport Pilot.

Postmaster Maynard A. Rowan this week presented to Roy Woods and Roy V. Rogero, publishers of the Rockport Pilot, the Post Office Department's Public Service Award Certificate in a ceremony at the Pilot Office.

In presenting the award, Postmaster Rowan stated, "Recipients of this certificate are very selectively chosen for their truly outstanding contributions toward enhancing postal activities by contributing time and effort in assisting in the advancement of postal policies."

Rowan said, "It is with much pleasure that this token of appreciation can be presented for an outstanding service to the Post Office and the information published for the benefit of the postal patrons of Aransas County."

Candlelight Service At First Methodist Sunday Evening

A candlelight service will be held at First Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Sunday evening, Dec. 17.

The Carol, Youth, and Adult Choirs will sing special music appropriate to the Christmas season.

Members of the Carol Choir are Bobby Agler, Robin Crisp, Sherry Demory, Jo Ann Freeborn, Carol Kelsa, Kerrie Mosier, Susan Mosier, Brian Pohlman, Curtis Pohlman, Carolyn Prophet, David Prophet, Debbie Sanders, Cindy Schendel, Pat Schendel, Bob Smith, Stephen Stafford, Susan Stafford, John Sprigg, and Ralph Weekley.

Members of the Youth Choir are Cindy Agler, Beth Bohmfalk, Carol Crisp, Ada Demory, Annette Demory, Jeanette Demory, Pat Harist, Mary Frances Harist, Renee LaBounty, Kaye Lauer, Lura Leisenheimer, Barbara Marshall, Jeanie Prophet, Paula Rogers, Beverly Young, and DeLois Young.

Members of the Adult Choir are Mr. and Mrs. George Rhoads, Mrs. Jo Ann Sanders, Mrs. Ruby Bohmfalk, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Young, Mrs. R. E. Massey, Mrs. Thomas Jesse, Mrs. Minta Lancaster, Mrs. Thelma McCoy, Mrs. H. A. McDonald, Mrs. H. C. Bristow, Stan Heath, A. C. Glass and Dick Weekley.

The Carol Youth Choirs will be directed by Mrs. W. J. Sprigg with Mrs. Jack Pohlman as accompanist, and the Adult Choir will be directed by R. E. Massey with Mrs. E. G. Cooke as accompanist.

Everyone is invited to attend this Christmas program.

X'mas Program

The Public School music classes of the Rockport Elementary School, under the direction of Miss Alva Henley, will present the Christmas Program for the school at 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 19 and at 9 a.m. on Dec. 20.

The programs are open to the public so anyone wishing to attend may do so.

Fire Department Christmas Tree

The annual Christmas Tree of the Rockport Fire Department will be held Thursday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. Santa Claus will arrive at 7:15 to distribute gifts to all the children of Aransas County. This is the sixteenth year for this event.

'Tourists of Week' From Minneapolis



TOURIST OF THE WEEK—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams of Minneapolis receive a "ticket" from Chief of Police Bob Hewes informing them that they have been selected as "Tourists of the Week" in the Rockport Chamber of Commerce's new hospitality program. The honor carries with it numerous free prizes supplied by Chamber members, such as free night's lodging, meals, etc.

COUNTY \$9,469 OVER BUDGET

Aransas county spent \$9,469.23 over its budget during the period, Jan. 1-Nov. 30, according to the latest financial report by County Auditor R. D. Mosier, Jr.

The budget for the 11-month period was \$422,873.77, whereas the expenditures totaled \$432,343.

The reason for expenditures exceeding the budget is accounted for by the necessity of spending \$175,218.93 in road and bridge funds as compared to the budgeted figure of \$139,443.26. Hurricane Beulah and flooding increased the required work.

Expenditures from the general fund exceeded the budget by \$371.43. In other funds (excepting road and bridge), expenditures were below the budgeted figures in the following amounts:

Jury fund, \$964.88; mosquito control, \$409.96; airport special, \$21,871.19; library, \$3,370.58; and law library, \$61.26.

Deadline on X'mas Mailings Near

This week is the deadline for most Christmas mail, according to Postmaster M. A. Rowan.

The Post Office Department nationwide is handling more mail than ever before and suggests that all holiday mail be in the post office by the end of this week.

During the month of December the U. S. postal system will handle over nine billion pieces of mail which is more than most countries handle in an entire year.

This year Christmas comes on Monday and since there will be no delivery of Christmas parcels on Sunday, Dec. 24, it is very important that all mailings be made in order that gifts can be delivered prior to that date.

Only delivery of perishable and special delivery articles will be made on Sunday, Dec. 24.

The high volume of mail now being processed at the Rockport Post Office clearly denotes that the postal patrons are cooperating by mailing early and that these early mailers will have their gifts and Christmas cards delivered on time. This splendid cooperation is greatly appreciated by all the postal employees.

Faith Lutheran X'mas Activities

On Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. Faith Lutheran Church in Aransas Pass will have a Christmas party with the program to be presented by the youth of the church.

The program will consist of readings relating to the birth of Christ to be presented during the showing of a film strip. Christmas carols will be sung during the program.

On Sunday, Dec. 24, services will be held at the regular time of 11 a.m. Christmas Day will be concluded with a candlelight service at 9 p.m.

New City Map Required for Grant

Navigation District Gets Federal Aid

The Board of Navigation and Canal Commissioners met in regular session at the District's office at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, with Chairman Matt W. Scott presiding. Also present were Commissioners Ted R. Little and Richard J. Fox, Attorney Ellis L. Clark and Harbormaster B. C. DeForest.

Minutes of the November 1 regular meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was reviewed and placed on file.

It was recommended that the \$5,587 recently received from the Office of Defense and Disaster Project Application covering part of damages from Hurricane Beulah, be put in the 1958 Construction fund.

The Board has completed its negotiations with the office of Emergency Planning and has been awarded a further settlement of \$9,929.99, covering expenses incurred in repair of roads, docks, wages and miscellaneous items.

Written acceptance was received from Col. Robert Stroot of terms stated in letter to him dated Nov. 3, concerning operation of beach concessions for 1968 season.

Two contracts were awarded J. Carroll Weaver—one in the amount of \$1,685 and the other for \$2,500 for replacing sand fill and shell in washed out areas at Rockport and Fulton Harbors.

In his report Harbormaster B. C. DeForest reported that repairs have been completed on the fishing and swimming beach piers at Fulton and on one dock at Rockport Harbor. All usable cabanas and picnic tables have been replaced. The Board commended the harbormaster and crew on their good work in making repairs to Navigation property damaged by the hurricane.

Then he handed them the envelope with the coupons for free gifts and gave them the locations of the various business places participating in this promotion.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams selected a motel for their free night's lodging, unpacked, and then got started on collecting their "loot."

Williams said, "This is the first time in our lives that we ever won anything and we sure do appreciate the hospitality of Rockport and the Chamber of Commerce. We like the looks of your city and we sure will boost it to our friends in Minnesota."

Eighteen business establishments that are members of the Chamber of Commerce are taking part in the "Tourist of the Week" promotion.

Members who have contributed to Tourist of the Week project, and their prizes are:

Highway Hosts, Inc.—One (continued on page 8)

VFW to Solicit Donations for TVs

Commander Bob Hewes of the local VFW post announced today that the VFW will be soliciting voluntary donations for television sets to be placed in the United States Naval Hospital Surgical Wards at Corpus Christi.

Hewes stated that after a visit to the Naval Air Station wards he saw a marked lack of entertainment for bedridden victims of the Vietnam War. The TV sets would be a 15-inch type so that they could be used next to the beds of the patients.

The VFW visited at its regular meeting Tuesday night to solicit donations and to have a plate placed on each set showing who the donors of the set were.

Hewes stated that he hoped to be able to deliver at least five TV sets to the hospital.

Any person or firm wishing to make a donation, small or large, can contact any members of the local VFW post or send a check made payable to Stewart-Wendell VFW Post 3904, Naval Fund to Box 183, Rockport.

NEW NURSERY TO OPEN JAN. 2

"Mother GooseLand," a new nursery and kindergarten for children 2 to 6 years old, will open Jan. 2.

Operated by Mrs. Pat Mielulka, the nursery will be located at Doughty and Cedar Streets. It will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Mothers should enroll their children now by calling Mrs. Mielulka at SO 4-6720.

As one of the government requirements to apply for a \$315,000 federal grant, the city will soon prepare a map showing where every Negro lives within the city limits of Rockport.

This was reported at the city council meeting Monday night by city tax assessor-collector Herman Johnson who attended a grant application conference at Ft. Worth arranged by the Housing and Urban Development Agency (HUD).

A government spokesman said the map requirement was instituted nationally to prevent any possible discrimination in any part of the country.

The city's application for a HUD grant is a move to get \$315,000 to help finance projects involving water line extension and replacement and sanitary sewer line extension and replacement.

Johnson said that in addition to the map, another requirement was for the City to pass a resolution stating that no land purchases will be needed in connection with the proposed projects. The council passed such a resolution.

Mayor Delmar R. Hiller said that if the grant is received, the city would have to finance \$400,000 as its share of the projects, \$200,000 of which is available in previously unsold water and sewer bonds and from water and sewer budget sources. This would leave \$200,000 to be financed.

In other actions at the council meeting:

—Col. Harry C. Kautz withdrew his request to have a portion of Cherry Street closed.

—Council passed an ordinance closing that part of Hackberry Street between Austin and Water. This was done at the request of James Hunt.

—Council approved the following recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission:

1. Passed amendment to city zoning ordinance No. 150 by: a. Addition to table A, section IX to read: "R-1 and R-2 residential districts—detached accessory buildings, side-yard set back line 3 feet.

b. Sub-section C—The first sentence amended to read: "A side-yard shall be provided on each side of a building in accordance with Table A of this section, except that the building width of a lot of record having less than herein required shall not be less than 40 feet, but in no case shall the side-yard be reduced to less than 5 feet for the main structure and less than 3 feet for a detached accessory building.

2. Approved application from Emory M. Spencer for the rezoning of outlot 18, outlot 19, the north 280 feet of outlot 17, and lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of block 112 in the D&M Division, from R-2 residential to B-1 business to allow a mobile home trailer park.

3. Approved application from C. C. Lipe for special permit to locate a mobile home adjacent to his home at 1209 Omohundro with the understanding that the mobile home be removed when the present (continued on page 8)

Six Accidents In November

Six auto accidents occurred here last month, injuring three persons and causing \$2,705 in damages, according to the monthly police report of Chief of Police Bob Hewes.

Hewes also reported the following violations: Failure to control speed, 1; speeding, 2; illegal turn, 2; defective stop lights, 2; no inspection sticker, 1; no driver's license, 1;

Failure to appear, 2; wrong way on one-way street; defective turn signals, 1; and failure to yield right-of-way, 1.

Do You Remember?

From The Pilot Files — 10 Years Ago

FIERY BOMBER CRASH TAKES NINE LIVES

Fire and crash trucks from the naval installation at Aransas County Airport were the first fire fighters to reach the scene of a crash that snuffed out the lives of nine men when a P5M Navy patrol bomber crashed in flames about three miles southwest of Aransas Pass.

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LOCAL OFFICERS AND ARANSAS PASS POLICE SOLVE CASE

Deputy Sheriff Sherman Mundine of the Aransas County Sheriff's Department and V. R. Patterson, assistant chief of police at Aransas Pass, and their aides solved a theft case which involved cars belonging to Raymond Diffie, St. Joseph's Island foreman and his son. The cars had been parked at the Richardson and Bass docks south of Rockport. Six Aransas Pass youths were arrested in connection with the case.

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ENGINEERS STUDY CEDAR BAYOU PASS

A preliminary survey is being made of Cedar Bayou in an attempt to perfect plans for opening the pass, according to the executive secretary of the Game and Fish Commission.

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SCHOOL BOARD INTERVIEWS APPLICANTS

Most of the meeting of the Aransas County Independent School District Board was taken up with interviews of applications for the position of superintendent of schools. Supt. Pat. H. Greene will retire at the end of the 1957-58 school year.

In other business Mrs. Fred C. Diederich was named census trustee for the coming year.

Also, a textbook committees was appointed, consisting of Greene, Miss Norma Jarboe, Mrs. Golda James, Mrs. Louise Pritchett, Mrs. Etna Rees-Jones, Mrs. Suzanne Sorenson, Mrs. Ruth Hayden, Mrs. Daphne Mitchell, Mrs. Jan Bates and Chester Barre.

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NEW UNITED FUND OFFICERS ELECTED

New directors and officers for the United Fund were elected, as follows:

Directors, J. B. Jackson, Harold Picton, Dave Segler, Arthur Bracht, Mrs. Melba Mills, William N. Sanders, W. L. Jones, T. J. Johnson, Byron Hardeman, Everal West and Mrs. William Clark.

The directors elected the following officers: E. T. White, president; Jack McDavid, vice president; Deane Steele, secretary; and Harold Picton, treasurer.

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HIGH SCHOOL GROUP PRESENTS YULE STORY

A pantomime presentation of the Christmas story was presented at the Aransas County High School auditorium. The Scripture narration was given by Barbara Schuster.

Background music was furnished by a choir of 20 voices directed by Loretta Wilson. Solos were sung by Miss Wilson and Rosemary Whitehall. Mrs. Jack Horton sponsored the event.

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INJURES NECK

Tom Davis tripped and fell, pulling ligaments in his neck which necessitated application of a brace at Elliot-Hughes Clinic.

From The Pilot Files — 20 Years Ago

TWO MILLION DUCKS ON COAST

Hunting camps and guides are busily engaged in repairing their blinds in preparation for the final "salvo" at the ducks which begins next Tuesday.

A recent waterfowl survey indicated more than two million ducks on the coast at this time, more than 126,000 of which are in the Rockport area.

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NEW GYM AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC ACTIVITIES

The School Board has issued regulations governing the use of the new high school gymnasium. According to J. F. Harbin, school superintendent, the public is urged to take advantage of these facilities for any group at any time.

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BOND ELECTION SET FOR DEC. 20

The School Board is calling a school bond election for Dec. 20 in the amount of \$15,000.

The money is to be used for the purchase of a new school bus, to make repairs on present equipment and to complete the industrial arts shops. No increase in school taxes will be required.

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HAMBLIN HOME GOING UP

Work on the new B. W. Hamblin home got underway this week. Bill Winslow was awarded the contract to construct the six-room concrete block house.

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LOCAL MEN BAG TWO LARGE DEER

E. W. "Shorty" Townsend and George Adolphus returned from a hunting trip at the Maltberger ranch, 30 miles south of Cotulla, with two nice bucks. Townsend's was a 9-pointer which dressed 150 pounds, and Adolphus' 6-pointer weighed 120 pounds.

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MRS. BAKER TAKES UP PILOT REPORTER DUTIES

Mrs. Byron Baker, wife of marine biologist Baker, has taken over the duties of reporter for the Rockport Pilot.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker came here from Seattle, Wash. Mrs. Baker worked as society reporter on a daily newspaper in her home town, Caldwell, Idaho, while going to college there.

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ARTIFICIAL ISLAND BEING CONSTRUCTED

A contract for construction of a road, causeway and T-head or island in Copano Bay was awarded to Heldenfels Brothers by the Atlantic Oil Co. to facilitate the drilling of their well in Copano Bay.

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DREDGING CO. CLEANING INTRACOASTAL CANAL

Bauer and Smith Dredging Co. of Port Lavaca started work dredging and cleaning the intracoastal canal from Rockport up to the land cut.

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ROCKPORT PLACES THREE ON ALL-DISTRICT TEAM

Vicente Corpus, Pete Sprinkle and Clifton Evans were named to the All-District football team.

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FIRE DEPT. TO GET HIGH PRESSURE FOG TRUCK

Bids have been accepted by the county for a new fire truck and it has been ordered from a Houston concern that specializes in such equipment, according to Fire Chief Lloyd Lassiter.

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This Christmas traffic has been so thick and heavy you definitely can't get there from here.

Editorial

OUR LETTER TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus:

We know you've been around for a long, long time, and while you are a progressive old chap, you may not be fully abreast of the times here in our neck of the woods as we are.

Of course, you keep up with changes and you always bring the latest gadgets when you come down through the chimney, by-passing the modern thermostat somehow, and you never get tangled with the TV antenna on top of the building.

But just the same we're worried. You see, we've been reading the newspaper ads on gift suggestions. As busy as you are you can't possibly keep up with all that's going on in the gift world.

Please, Santa, for goodness sake! Don't forget the batteries this year.

Last year you did and it looked as if every other package we opened was a gadget operated by a "C" or a "D" battery. Did we have an ample supply of "C" and "D" batteries? We did not!

This year the situation is even more critical. There are gobs of new things on the market operated by these cells, and Santa, we have no idea at all as to how many different things we're going to get. It's possible that we'll get cordless toothbrushes, hair-brushes, back scratchers, shoe shiners, watches, tape recorders, radios, each one wrapped beautifully—and without a cotton pickin' battery!

In the world of toys, well, surely the situation is more critical this year. You name the toy and the chances are it runs with power supplied by, you guessed it, a battery.

Last Christmas the folks around town had to dash out before noon to the few stores that were open to buy cells. Fellow at the convenience store down at the corner said he sold more batteries than he did cigarettes.

So please, Santa Claus, pack an extra supply of them and place them carefully, and conspicuously by the tree. Then we won't have to shed our pajamas and head for the store.

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HE SHOULDN'T HAVE ASKED

A fellow's wife asked him for \$10 and like a good husband he wanted to know for what she wanted the ten spot.

Her excuse was that she was going to the beauty parlor and wanted to look good afterward for she was joining a picket line at the supermarket to protest the high cost of living.

Fire Department Holds Dinner

Dinner was held at Sea Gun Sports Inn Dec. 9 for the Rockport Fire Department and the Auxiliary. Prayer was given by Chaplain Cecil V. Gray. A talk was given by President Benny Bloomer, and the meeting was turned over to the new president, Richard Fox who gave a talk on the Fire Department history from 1938 to the present time.

Then he introduced Miss Iris Sorenson who is an honorary member and was secretary for 15 years. She was presented with a dozen red roses and a miniature fire truck by Chief Truelove for the department's appreciation of her work.

A fine dinner of turkey and all the trimmings was served. Next a poem on what a volunteer fireman is was given by Bill Gray.

The department wishes to thank the Sea Gun for the lovely dinner and courteous service. Also, Vernon Kley-pas and Peeewe Parr for furnishing the music. Dancing and refreshments followed.

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Presbyterian Circle Holds Meeting

Circle 3, Women of the Presbyterian Church, met at the home of Mrs. Volney Cavitt on Shadyside Circle Monday evening, Dec. 11. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mrs. Fred Clobardants, after which the 15 members present answered roll call with a Scripture verse. Mrs. Robert Harrell read a meditation by Farida Meyer of Jordan as a part of the Least Coin Fellowship program.

Mrs. Owen Brymer, chairman, conducted the business meeting and gave the monthly emphasis on ministerial relief. A church-wide family night supper is planned for Sunday evening, Dec. 17, at which time the Joy Gift program will be presented, with the offering benefitting retired ministers and their wives.

It was also announced that the Living Tableaux will be presented by the young people on the church lawn Monday and

Tuesday evenings, Dec. 18 and 19, between the hours of 7 and 8 p.m.

Mrs. I. E. McLester led the Bible study on "The Holy Spirit—the Gift of God to His Church."

In keeping with the Christmas season, the group joined in singing carols, accompanied by Mrs. J. Allen Frye at the organ. Refreshments were served during a social hour.

Mrs. Robert Harrell will be hostess at the January meeting, with Mrs. Hugh Morrison as Bible lesson moderator.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Meredith announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jo Ann, to William Dupnik, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Dupnik. Friday, Dec. 15 is the wedding date.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clobardants, of San Antonio, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Clobardants.

Lamar Woman's Club Holds Christmas Party

The Emerald Room at Sea Gun Sports Inn was the setting Dec. 9 for the Christmas party of the Lamar Woman's Club. A cheerful looking Santa perched on the piano amid silver tinsel and a gold candelabra greeted the guests as they entered.

The table was beautifully decorated with a white ceramic Christmas tree with blue lights placed on a white felt skirt with Merry Christmas written in silver beads as the centerpiece and red and green candles with pine cones, ribbon and holly surrounding them spaced down the middle, each place marked with an original paperweight with a gay floral design swirling inside.

The traditional Christmas dinner of turkey with dressing, Virginia baked ham, an assortment of red, green and white salads with choice of vegetables was served buffet style, topped off with fruit cake and roasted nuts.

The group was entertained by Mrs. Pete Gibson and Morris Gregory, taking turns at the piano playing Christmas carols, Chopsticks and Home Sweet Home to bring the party to a close after several games of bingo had been enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Morgan of Plum, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Gregory and Mrs. Ed Layshock were guests bringing the attendance to 32. Members were joined by their husbands to celebrate the holiday luncheon.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Batsell, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Clark, Mrs. James G. Eller, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hall, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hedrick, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wofford, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Greeson, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cabaniss, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie A. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Gabe French and Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Brown. Hostesses were Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Hedrick.

Philip Miculka Four Years Old

Mrs. Pat Miculka honored her son, Philip, who was 4 years old Wednesday, Dec. 13, with a birthday party.

The party theme was a Santa Claus done in red and white. Santa Claus was a very special guest, arriving in time to take the boys and girls orders for Christmas.

Cake and punch were served to Priscilla Albers, Theresa Roberts, Mike and Tim Arthur, Dianna Fake, John McLain, Ricky Hill, Leia Hunt, Susan Carrico, David Hill, Ruby Jordan, Lane Hiller, Keith Matchekski, Kathryn and Lori Morgan and Priscilla Carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sickler of Dunnell, Minn., arrived here to spend the winter. They are staying at the Roy Hinton home. Their son, George, Jr., a student at the University of Minnesota, will fly in Friday to spend Christmas with his parents.

Engagement Announced



Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Garrett announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Janice Faye Garrett, to Stephen P. Beauchamp, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Beauchamp of San Antonio.

Miss Garrett is a 1964 graduate of Aransas County High School and is attending South-

west State College at San Marcos, where she is a senior.

Beauchamp is a graduate of Jefferson High School in San Antonio and is a senior at Southwest Texas State College.

The wedding is planned for Jan. 21 in First Methodist Church here.

Josephine Ward Circle Meets

The Josephine Ward Circle of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Melvin Moore with 15 members present.

Mrs. T. L. Beedy conducted the meeting in the absence of the circle chairman, Mrs. R. F. McKnight.

Mrs. Lee Cookston led the opening prayer.

After the business session, Mrs. Ruth Mills led the prayer for the missionaries on the Calendar of Prayer for the day. She also gave the program on "Culture and Worship Ways in Nigeria and Yugoslavia" in the absence of Ann Dillman, program chairman.

Mrs. Josephine Cox led the

song "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Refreshments of coffee, punch and cookies were served to Mrs. T. L. Beedy, Mrs. Melvin Moore, Mrs. C. O. Lutz, Mrs. Georgia Haynes, Mrs. Tiney Gayle, Mrs. Johnnie Dunbar, Mrs. Neal Jordan, Mrs. Lee Cookston, Mrs. Sommerville Ballou, Mrs. Alice Ballou, Mrs. Josephine Cox, Mrs. J. T. Patton, Mrs. Ruth Mills, Mrs. Lillie Calvert and Margie Reid.

L. B. Kinsey of Long Beach, Calif., arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kinsey.

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Woman's Club Holds Party

The Aransas County Woman's Club held their weekly tourist party at the club Monday afternoon. Hostesses for the party were Mrs. W. L. Franke, Manitoba, Canada; Mrs. Tom Davison, Saubel Beach, Hepworth Ontario Canada; and Mrs. Tom Davison, Saubel Beach, Hepworth Ontario Canada; and Mrs. A. L. Bachman of Fulton.

The club was decorated for Christmas with the traditional decorated tree and the table was laid with a Christmas cloth. Mrs. A. B. Garner presided at the tea table.

There was nine tables of bridge players and five tables of canasta players.

Mrs. J. M. Pepper of Fulton was high in bridge and Mrs. Charles Ross of Lindsay, Okla. second high.

Mrs. H. Stump of Wahoo, Neb. was high in canasta and Mrs. Chris Kofod of Des Moines, Ia. was second high.

Final prizes went to Mrs. C. W. Brisin and Mrs. Hazel Bennett of Rockport.

Woman's Club Christmas Party

The Aransas County Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party Tuesday evening with Mrs. H. T. Bailey as program chairman.

Rev. Ben Bohmfalk gave the invocation and led the group in community Christmas carols.

Mrs. Alva Henly played and sang Christmas songs and also accompanied the carol singing. Mrs. N. F. Jackson told a Christmas story.

Jeannie, David and Carolyn Prophet gave a few accordion selections.

The Carol and Youth Choir from the First Methodist Church sang carols directed by Mrs. William J. Sprigg.

Green and red punch, coffee and cookies were served to over 130 including guests from seven states and Canada.

Mrs. A. B. Garner was at the refreshment table which was laid with a red and white Christmas cloth with a white miniature lighted tree. Mrs. Walter Hatley was at the table which held Mexican Christmas trees.

Rev. Ben Bohmfalk gave the invocation.

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There is no such thing as an all-purpose shotgun! If there were such a firearm, there would be no need for different gauges to fit specific circumstances.

Unfortunately, few of us can afford the luxury of more than one shotgun. So, we look for the one gun that will satisfy most of our desires and serve our needs adequately, even though it may excel only in one or two uses.

Not too many years ago there was a little choice. A person bought a 12 gauge. He used this weapon for everything from geese to doves.

The 12 still is popular. But advances made in guns and ammunition in recent years puts the sweet handling 20 gauge right in its class.

The 12 gauge with magnum loads still is the ticket for pass-shooting geese. But this is about the only place where it outshines the 20.

So, unless you do a lot of goose hunting, it might be wise to consider the 20 rather than the 12 if you are buying a shotgun for all your needs.

The 16 gauge is a hybrid of the two and really is a compromise. Since it can't do anything the 12 or 20 can't do and because of its dubious resale value, the 16 really isn't a

good choice.

As to the advantage of the 12 over the 20—ammo for the 12 is more readily available; there is more shot in comparable shells; and it will reach a little farther with more power. Theoretically the 12 throws a better pattern with the same amount of shot, since the shot column is shorter and there is less friction. However, this factor depends on the gun.

On the other hand, the 12 gauge has more recoil (kick) makes more noise, the shells are bulkier, and the typical 12 is heavier and has less trim.

All modern 20 gauge shotguns will take the 2½-inch magnum shell (some are chambered for the three-inch magnum). This magnum shell makes the 20 gauge comparable in performance for express (high-velocity) loads in the 12 gauge.

A 20 gauge chambered for three inch magnum shells is more than adequate for goose shooting.

Most Texans use shotguns primarily for hunting upland birds like quail and doves. The 20 gauge will equal or outperform the 12 on birds. Its lighter weight and trimmer design makes it handle faster. It also is good for close-range cooing ducks and small game



JOB HUNTING now that the circus season is past, professional fat man Clyde (Tiny) Hicks of Warren, Ill., cases the help wanted ads. The 500-pound Hicks is interested in a winter job as Santa Claus.

animals like squirrels and rabbits.

But the shotgun is only part of the story and the type of action is personal preference.

Equally as important is the choke: improved cylinder, modified or full.

With improved cylinder, the shot spreads out immediately after leaving the barrel, for a liberal pattern at close ranges.

Full choke, on the other hand, holds the shot together, resulting in more pellets in a tighter pattern at long ranges. Ideally, the pattern should have most of the shot evenly distributed within a 30-inch circle at the prescribed optimum performance range. Consequently, any bird caught in this 30-inch circle, even on the fringe, should be a dead bird.

Improved cylinder gives the best pattern out to about 30 yards; modified choke from 30 to 40 yards; and full choke for 40 yards and beyond. Yet the modified is adequate for about 20 yards to 50 yards, although it may be a bit dense from 20 to 30 and a mite thin from 40 to 50.

So if only one choke would go on the all-purpose shotgun, it would be the compromise modified.

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Seaman Jerry Lee Fischer who is stationed at Ford Island, Hawaii is home on a 24-day leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Peters.



A COMEBACK on the bowling lanes meant learning a new style for Kay Vandiver of Denver, a top bowler before and after losing her arm in a traffic accident.

Coming Events

Dec. 15: Commissioners Court will meet. Shirley Trimyer will celebrate her birthday. Mr. and Mrs. I. Cruz will observe their wedding anniversary.

Dec. 16: Just nine days until Christmas.

Dec. 17: Happy birthday to Clair Slocum, Lisa Sparks and Rhonda Bauknight.

Dec. 18: Fulton Lions Club, B&PW, Eastern Star and VFW Auxiliary will meet. Birthday greetings to Marie Medina, Clyde Barre, Lindy Wallace, David Lang and Michael Gerhart. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Petty on their wedding anniversary.

Dec. 19: This is Jerral Hawes' birthday.

Dec. 20: Mike Kelsay and Bob Mosier will observe their birthday.

Dec. 21: Rebekah Lodge No. 88 and Rockport Lions Club will meet. Jack Jeffers (in service), and Marcella Wendell have a birthday.

CONGRATULATIONS

Rev. and Mrs. A. Edmund Folkner are the proud parents of a seven pound, three ounce boy born Dec. 2. He has been named Brett Hunter Folkner.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Myron Bessner of Cleveland, Ohio and paternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. N. C. Folkner of Indianapolis, Ind.

Lady Pirates In

Cage Tournament

The Rockport-Fulton Lady Pirates took part in the seventh annual Gregory-Portland Cage Tourney Friday and Saturday at Portland.

They played West Oso Friday afternoon and were defeated 46 to 32. High scorer was Johnnie Grossman with 13 points, Linda Harris 9, Kay Sparks 7, Patsy Ramsey, 3. Outstanding guard was Dolores Setterbo. High scorer

for West Oso was Beverly Jackson.

Saturday morning the Lady Pirates played Ingleside and were tied 34 at the end of the game. The game went into a 3-minute overtime and the Lady Pirates came out ahead, defeating the Fillies 39 to 37.

High scorer was Linda Harris with 20 points, Kay Sparks 16, Patsy Ramsey 2 and Johnnie Grossman 1. Outstanding guards were Dolores Setterbo and Sue Clark. Judy Keese was high for Ingleside with 25 points.

Saturday afternoon the Lady

Pirates played Flour Bluff and were defeated 41 to 32. Top scorer was Kay Sparks with 17 points, Patsy Ramsey 11, Linda Harris 4. Outstanding guard was Sue Clark. Mercile Kennedy was high for Flour Bluff with 19 points.

Gregory-Portland won the tournament as they did last year with the Calhoun Sandies second, West Oso third and Flour Bluff consolation winner.

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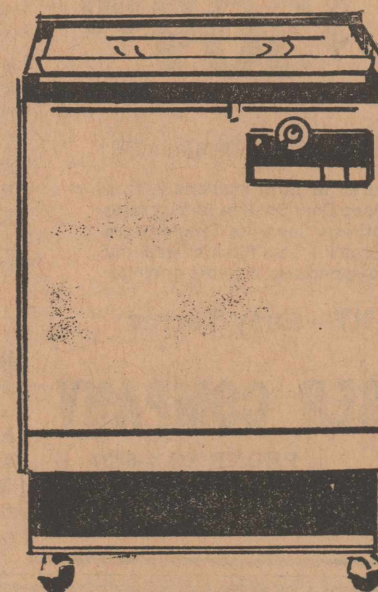
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Ginger Rogers, eternally young and always amazing, will bring her entertaining talent to Dallas Dec. 26-30 in Broadway's smash hit "Hello Dolly." The State Fair Music Hall in Dallas will be one of the few places in which producer David Merrick will present Miss Rogers, who has starred in the famed musical in New York and comes to Dallas direct from Las Vegas and the West Coast. Tickets may be obtained by writing to the State Fair Box Office at Titcher's, P. O. Box 895, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Firemen's Auxiliary Elects Officers

The Ladies of the Rockport Firemen's Auxiliary held their last meeting of the year on Dec. 11 in the Studio Club at the Sandollar.

This was a business meeting and Christmas party combined. The election of the new officers for 1968 was held. New officers are: President Mrs. Edward Truelove; vice president, Mrs. J. C. Gurley; secretary, Mrs. Elva Mullinax; treasurer, Mrs. Gilbert Hill, Sr.; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Bill Gray; reporter-historian, Mrs. H. J. Gurley; and parliamentarian, Mrs. Velma Malchar.

The treasure chest was furnished by Mrs. Edward Truelove and won by Mrs. Gene Howland. The meeting adjourned for Christmas dinner and party.

Secret pals exchanged gifts and revealed their identity and drew names for the coming year.

On the table was a beautiful arrangement of carnations. The Auxiliary would like to thank everyone for the help they have given during the year and to Mrs. Gilbert Hill, Sr., for a job well done as their president.

Members attending were Mrs. Jimmie Ankele, Mrs. Bill Gray, Mrs. J. C. Gurley, Mrs. H. J. Gurley, Mrs. Gilbert Hill, Sr., Mrs. Gilbert Hill, Jr., Mrs. Elva Mullinax, Mrs. Jimmy Lukehart Jr., Mrs. Velma Malchar, Mrs. Sadie Smith, Mrs. Edward Truelove, Mrs. Coy Truelove, Miss Sarah Belle Smith and one guest, Mrs. Joe Earl Hunt.

Rebekah Lodge Holds Meeting

Miss Ruby Lawson, noble grand, opened the Rockport Rebekah Lodge meeting Dec. 7. The officers were elected for the 1968 term. Mrs. Ora May received the flower gift.

Miss Lawson was elected as representative to the Rebekah Assembly which will meet in March at Fort Worth and Mrs. Gladys Mullan was elected as alternate representative.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Thompson, Mrs. Bonnie Scott and Bob Knoblock of San Antonio spent the weekend with Mrs. Della Scott.

UNCLE SAM'S SELECTIVE SERVICE

Editor's note: Below are questions now being asked at draft boards. The answers are by Col. Morris S. Schwartz, State Selective Service Director, 209 W. Ninth St., Austin, Texas 78701. He will welcome your questions.

Q—I'm a college student. My draft board deferred me in Class II-S Nov. 25, 1966, until Nov. 1, 1967. I've been told that, because of this, if my wife and I should have a child, I could not be deferred for the child because I was placed in Class II-S. Is this correct?

A—It is not. The board took classification action before July 1, 1967. If the board takes action after July 1, 1967, to classify you again in Class II-S, then you may not be deferred thereafter in Class III-A as a father.

Q—I'm 27 years old and was deferred in Class III-A as the sole support of my invalid mother. My mother died and I was placed in Class I-A. What are my chances of being called?

A—At present, monthly draft quotas are being filled from men 19 through 25, the oldest first. If calls increase, and there are not enough men

of the younger ages, available men 26 to 35 will be called, the youngest first. The Department of Defense may specify a particular age group, but isn't doing so now.

Q—Is there any written material available about appeals?

A—A pamphlet, "Taking Appeals from Selective Service Classifications," is available without charge at State Selective Service Headquarters, or at draft boards.

High-Low Bridge Club

Mrs. F. L. McCord entertained the High-Low Bridge Club at her home last Wednesday.

Members playing were Mrs. Arthur Bracht, Mrs. Charles Cleveland, Mrs. H. H. Dick, Mrs. H. F. Elliot, Mrs. Chester Johnson, Mrs. Virginia Miller, Mrs. J. H. Mills, Mrs. Harry McDow, Mrs. Lois Rozzell, and two guests, Mrs. Tom Smallwood and Mrs. Katy Johnson.

Mrs. Harry McDow was high scorer and Mrs. Chester Johnson was low.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burke have returned from Amarillo where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Burke's sister, Mrs. A. E. Armstrong.

B&PW Holds X'mas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Business and Professional Women's Club, held Dec. 6 at Marie Tong's home, was a unique and enjoyable event.

The theme was "Christmas is for Children," and all members and guests dressed like little girls and boys. First prize for a girl's costume was awarded to Mary Lake Segler,

and first prize for a boy's costume went to Audrey Thomas. Favors consisted of all-day suckers. Refreshments of Christmas cookies, punch and coffee were served. Music was furnished by Deane Steele playing an organ from Morrison's Variety Store.

The evening ended with a cookie exchange with everyone picking out three dozen to take home.

Bernita Kinsey and Marie Tony were co-chairmen.

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TOURIST OF WEEK—

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 Suttles Dress Shop—One box Hanes Hose or Magic Lady Girdle.
 Mary Lou Charter Boat—One fishing trip.
 Sandollar Motel—One night's lodging and breakfast.
 Idylwild Motel—One night's lodging and coffee in a.m.
 Sea Gun Sports Inn—One night's lodging and breakfast.
 Surf Courts—One night's lodging.
 Mary's Malt Shop—Two double hamburgers, two double

shakes, two bags potato chips.
 Roatan Drug Store—Merchandise up to \$3.00.
 Roe's Food Store—Merchandise up to \$3.00.
 Whooping Crane—Two free fishing trips or two free whooping crane cruises.

Oak Terrace Decorates for X'mas

Once again the residents of Oak Terrace are taking an active interest in decorating their homes for Christmas and almost every home now has some decoration, with more appearing daily.
 Among the variety of displays to be seen are a life-size moving Santa, lawn and rooftop displays of Santa and his reindeer, lighted snowmen, manger scenes, and beautiful strings of lights in the trees and framing windows and roof lines. One striking window display is a silhouette saying "God Has Blessed This Home." If you have not yet caught the Christmas spirit or felt the urge to decorate, a drive through Oak Terrace will be worth your while.

VFW Holds Regular Meeting

At its regular meeting Tuesday night, Stewart-Wendell VFW Post 3904 was visited by District No. 6 Commander Bob Lyons of Kingsville.

He told the members that the post was in excellent shape and he commended the members.

The post voted to participate in the Christmas Basket program for the needy. This program will be in conjunction with the St. Vincent DePaul Society of the Catholic Church.

Jimmy Hunt reported that the post to date had 114 paid members.

A letter is to be sent to all of Aransas County servicemen in Vietnam urging them to join the local VFW post.

The next scheduled meeting for the post will be Jan. 9, 1968.

James Baugh was registered by the Draft Board at Sinton last month.

SKATING NEWS

The members of the Library Club of Rockport-Fulton High School were entertained Dec. 9 with a skating party at Lawson's Roller Rink for their annual Christmas outing. After skating, they had supper at the home of Mrs. Loyd Branch, librarian and sponsor of the group.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Pridgen and baby Trisha Gaye of Dallas spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Gayna Pridgen.

Mrs. Ray Boone who has been seriously ill in the Spohn Hospital has been released and is now recuperating at home.



Most Studies on 12 County Coastal Bend Plan Completed

All planning studies except those on colleges and universities have been completed for the development of a 12-county regional master plan, Bob Grossman told the Coastal Bend Regional Planning Commission Dec. 8.

Grossman is local planner for the St. Louis planning firm of Harlan Bartholomew that will prepare the plan for the regional commission.

Grossman said the work schedule has been slowed because of assistance requested by the state planning group in processing assistance applications from cities that suffered flood damage from Hurricane Beulah.

Dr. W. Armstrong Price reported on a study of abating the nuisance of blowing sand in the Kenedy Ranch area of Laguna Madre.

Price said the intracoastal canal dug through the area in 1949 drains wind-blown sheets of water off the mud flat areas and has eliminated the stabilizing algae mat.

Price said the most feasible solution to the sand problem appears to be construction of a dike north of the Mesquite Rincon Island mass and shorter dikes at the north and southwest and installation of pumping facilities to flood the flats to a contour level of four or four and one-half feet during most of the summer period.

This flooding, Price said, will restore the growth of algae, stabilizing the area and promote accumulation of clay to cover the low-lying sand areas. He estimated cost at \$1.25 million.

The meeting was held at the Sandollar Restaurant with Emory M. Spencer of Rockport as host. The January meeting is to be held in Corpus Christi.

GARY STRYKER HOME FROM VIETNAM

Warrant Officer Gary Stryker, 48th Assault Helicopter Co., Vietnam arrived home for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter I. Stryker. Gary has served one year in Vietnam and will be going to the 8th Inf. Div. in Germany on Jan. 15.

NEW CITY MAP—

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need no longer exists.
 —Council set Jan. 8 as the date for a public hearing on a request of E. H. Teng to repair a storm-damaged pier extending from Water Street.
 —Authorized Vickers Co. to proceed with drilling test holes and analyzing the water at the site of a possible new well in the Peninsula Park area. Vickers will drill 200 feet. Cost of the drilling and testing will be \$1,750.

—Authorized purchase of a tractor blade from International Harvester Co., Corpus Christi. Cost of the blade, including hydraulic valve, framework and installation, will be \$445.
 —Cancelled last council meeting of the year which was scheduled for Dec. 25.

—Authorized Commissioner of Public Works Tom Shults to patch up Water Street.

—Voted to invest \$5,000 from general funds, and reviewed the November financial statements which Mrs. Mary Lake Segler, City Secretary, prepared on the city's new accounting machine.

Aldermen Charlie Garrett, N. F. Jackson, Mrs. J. W. "Tony" Harden and N. C. Vandagriff commented that the new type financial statements give a complete "picture" of the status of all funds and accounts, expenditures to date and corresponding budgets. The new machine also saves a considerable amount of time.

Mrs. Wood Hosts Bridge Club

Mrs. L. G. Wood was hostess to the Tuesday Bridge Club at her home.

Members playing were Mrs. Homer Faber, Mrs. Chester

Johnson, Mrs. Harry Mills, Mrs. Tom Rogers, Mrs. Roy Woods and two guests, Mrs. George Dickey and Mrs. R. E. House.

Mrs. Faber won high score and Mrs. Chester Johnson was second high.

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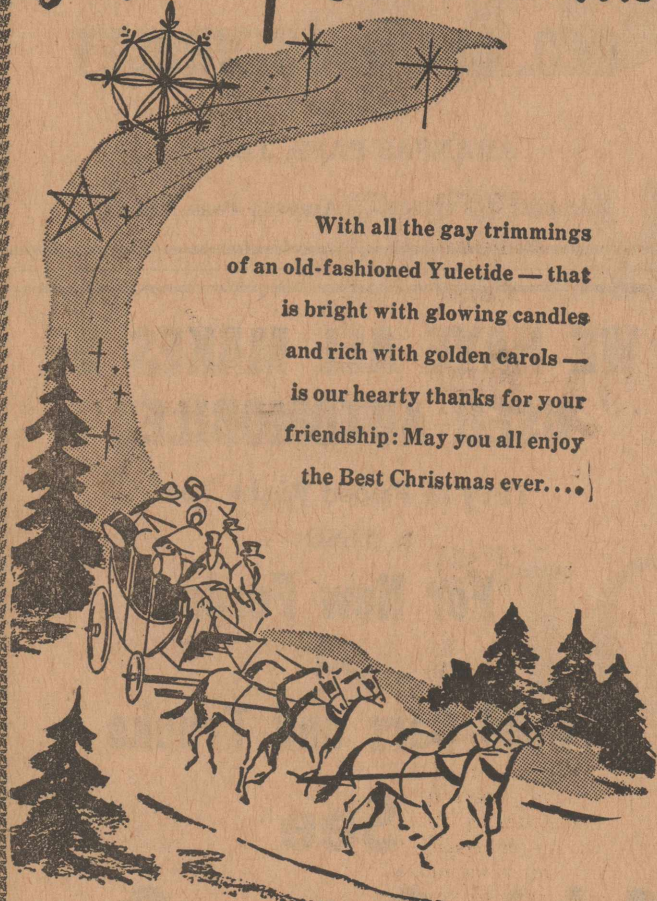
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Brief Articles
On the Draft Law
And Regulations

(Editor's note: This is one of a series of 10 short articles on the draft law and its rules and regulations.)

The draft law requires every man registered with a local board to report any change in personal status to his board.

"Young men have asked us just what changes they should report," Colonel Morris S. Schwartz, state draft director, says. "Generally, anything which has a bearing on classification should be reported."

The state director pointed to the following things which should be regarded as change of personal status:

1. Current change of mail address should always be sent to the board.
2. Marriage should be reported at once.
3. Pregnancy, births, dependency, and additions to the man's family must be reported.
4. Any and all deaths in a man's family should be reported.
5. If a man and wife are divorced or they no longer live together, this must be reported.
6. Permanent change of job



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should be reported.

7. Serious injury or physical defect should be reported.

8. If a man becomes a student in a college or university, or a high school graduate intends to go, this fact should be reported.

9. If a man enters the Reserves, National Guard, or ROTC, he should ask his commanding officer or other officer in charge to notify his board. He should assure himself that it is done.

10. If a man has attempted to volunteer for armed forces services and has just been rejected, he should advise his local board.

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Andy Anders, 1961 Oldsmobile 4-door.

Joe Dominguez, 1958 Chevrolet pickup.

Rodney Johnson, 1957 Ford 2-door.

Rodolfo Ramirez, 1962 Buick 4-door.

Zebdee Romans, 1965 Chevrolet pickup.

Joe Garza, 1962 GMC pickup.

Robert Ham, Sr., 1964 Ford pickup.

Haskell Jackson, 1964 Rambler 2-door.

Marwin Allison, 1958 Chevrolet 4-door.

Billie Cady, 1957 Oldsmobile 4-door.

John Bloomer, 1962 Chevrolet pickup.

Mrs. Ida Appelt, 1958 Buick 4-door.

Mary Cady, 1961 Chevrolet station wagon.

Leroy Domasch, 1961 Ford 4-door.

Joe Garcia, 1952 Buick sedan.

Joe Sanchez, 1954 Chevrolet 4-door.

Capt. Walter Newton, 1957 Volvo 2-door.

Milton Harrell, 1946 Willys 2-door.

Mrs. Johnnie Wright, 1950 Chevrolet 2-door.

David Tumilson, 1958 Volkswagen bus.

Earle Thomas, 1966 Chevrolet 4-door.

Fred Ashley, 1964 Chevrolet 4-door.

Susan Banks, 1957 Chevrolet station wagon.

Consuelo Cortinas, 1960 Ford 4-door.

T. C. Anderson, 1949 Willys pickup.

Eulogio Singleterry, 1959 Chevrolet 4-door.

Varlie Herron, 1963 Chevrolet pickup.

Leroy Dinger, 1955 Cadillac sedan.

Rogers Hadley, 1957 Ford 2-door.

Calvin Herron, 1960 Plymouth 4-door.

Ralph Garcia, 1960 Buick 2-door.

Jack Keller, 1959 Chevrolet 4-door.

Jim Bryan, 1958 Ford 2-door.

James Walls, 1957 Chevrolet pickup.

Larry Nelson, 1964 Ford 2-door.

Frank Kresta, 1956 Chevrolet 2-door.

Daniel Adams, 1964 Chevrolet pickup.

Billy Everett, 1955 Chevrolet pickup.

John Warden, 1964 Chevrolet pickup.

Duane Lewis, 1964 Volkswagen camper.

LeRoy Zemaalt, 1959 Pontiac 4-door.

Emilio Castillo, 1966 Chevrolet 4-door.

Charlie Walls, Jr., 1959 Chevrolet dump truck.

H. M. Teall, 1955, Plymouth 4-door.

Sidney Bishop, 1965 Chevrolet pickup.

Juan Valdez, 1964 Chevrolet sport coupe.

Thomas Dawson, 1955 Cadillac sedan.

May Townsend, 1964 Ford 4-door.

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New Superstitions
Still Popping Up

Old superstitions, unlike old soldiers, do not fade away. They are replaced by new superstitions and new misconceptions, says TODAY'S HEALTH GUIDE, the American Medical Association's manual of health information for the American family.

This is particularly true of superstitions and misconceptions about health. New scientific advances and discoveries breed a whole new crop of health superstitions.

Some of the new ones cataloged in the health book are—

Today, we have the mistaken idea that necessary and harmless chemicals used in processing foodstuffs may cause mysterious diseases like cancer. (They won't.)

We see people afraid to cook with aluminum utensils for fear of poisoning the food. (They will not.)

We observe people who refuse to wear glasses, and others who shun much-needed hearing aids. (Both are completely accepted by society today.)

People oppose fluoridation of public water supplies because the same chemical has also been used for poisoning rats, overlooking the fact that the whole difference lies in the matter of dosage. (Fluoridated water is completely safe.)

Many people blame climatic changes on the atomic bomb; past generations attributed such changes to artillery fire, to the use

of radio and television. (The bomb has not changed climate.)

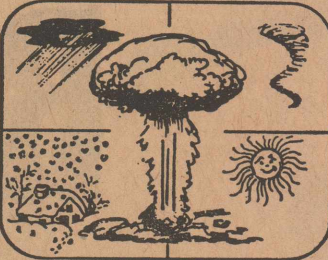
Countless mothers live in fear for their children's lives because a heart murmur had been reported. Although murmurs should be checked by a physician most heart murmurs are harmless.

There is still active opposition to the use of immunizing procedures, such as vaccination and immunization, because of a superstitious dread of introducing a poison into the system. (The vaccines now in general use are safe.)

There is a modern cult of naturalism which holds that only "natural foods" are wholesome because foods grown with the aid of chemical fertilizers are inadequate. (This isn't true.)

Many harbor prejudices against canned or frozen or otherwise processed foods, and even advocate eating raw food exclusively. (Processing does not affect foods substantially, nor does proper cooking.)

11/20/67



GIANT SPIDER WEB seems to have this unfortunate fellow trapped. Actually it's just a workman climbing on a scaffold at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Services Held For
G. S. 'Cap' Spinney

Funeral services for G. S. "Cap" Spinney, 80, were held Monday at First Methodist Church in Aransas Pass with Rev. Lin Loeffler officiating. Burial was in Rockport Cemetery with Masonic graveside rites. Cage-Marshall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Spinney, former port captain at Aransas Pass for Standard Oil Co., pilot for the Port of Corpus Christi for 18 years and captain of 36 different ships during his 44 years at sea, died Dec. 9 after apparently suffering a heart attack while deer hunting near Skidmore.

Spinney had made his home

in Aransas Pass for 31 years. He is survived by his wife, Clara.

Spinney was born in Nova Scotia in 1887. He went to sea at 16 as a cod fisherman out of Gloucester, Mass.

He came to Port Aransas as port captain for Standard in 1927 and designed the company's oil docks at Harbor Island.

In 1929 Spinney became a pilot for the Nueces County Navigation District and guided ships between the Gulf and the Port of Corpus Christi.

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Storm of 1919 Is Described

The following article in the 1919-1920 issue of the publication, The Texas Freemason, describes the relief work following the storm of 1919 which devastated Rockport:

ROCKPORT MASON WRITES OF STORM RELIEF

Story Told By One Who Suffered In the Disaster

By Bro. Tom W. Lillie, Editor Rockport Pilot

The Masons of Texas were very prompt in realizing that they had a duty to perform following the disastrous storm which swept the Texas coast on September 14, rendering many thousands homeless and taking toll of hundreds of lives. Great distress followed in the wake of the storm.

Masons realized this distress and their Grand Master, Dr. A. A. Ross, issued his call for financial relief and then visited the city of Corpus Christi, in company with other Masons, and decided that a relief committee must be placed on the scene to personally attend to the wants of unfortunate brethren.

The Grand Master appointed Bro. Lewis McVea as chairman of this committee, who made his headquarters in Corpus Christi, where Masonic relief was administered to the entire storm district. Bro. McVea represented all the Masonic bodies of both Rites and the Texas Shrines in his relief work, which extended over a period of seven weeks. Upon his departure from Corpus Christi, local Masons were appointed by him to further look out for the needs of any worthy brother who had failed to get his particular case before the Relief Committee.

A circular letter was given to every Master Mason in the storm belt, with certain questions printed there on to be answered and returned to Bro. McVea in Corpus Christi. The 1st of November these replies were gone into by the committee and each individual case was allotted a certain sum, according to conditions of health, age and general ability

to regain their former position in life prior to the flood. However, the above was only a part of the relief done. During the entire period of seven weeks following the storm the members of the committee visited every nook and corner of the coast country, searching out those to whom they could administer immediate relief in the way of clothing, bedding, provisions and even such things that go toward bodily comfort. The medical attention was also given lavishly, as doctors formed a part of the committee, and many people can recall that their first medical aid came from the Masonic doctor sent into the district by our great Order.

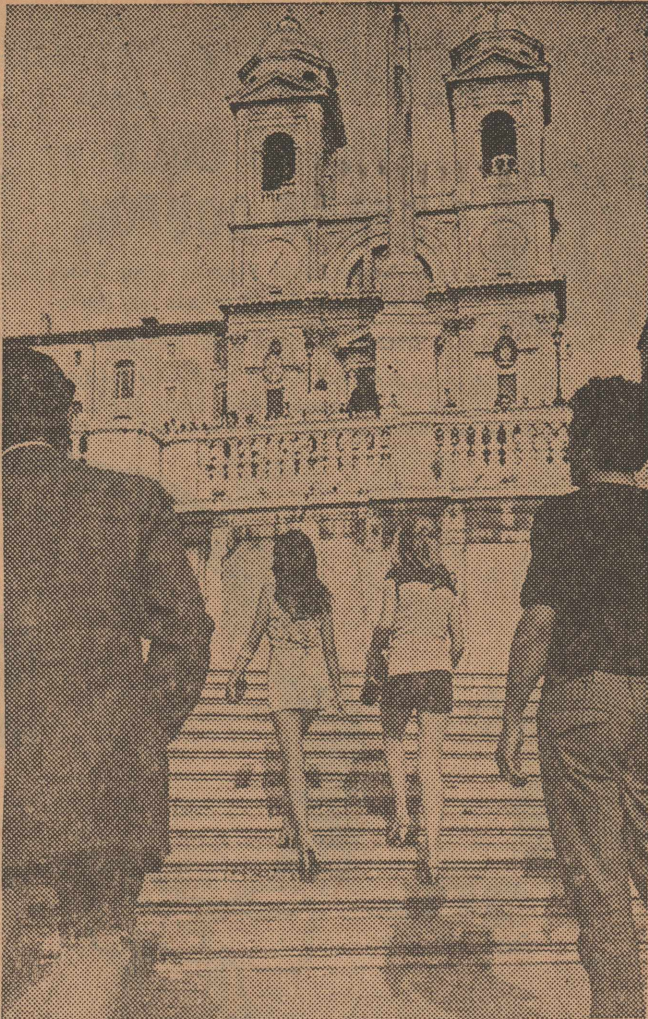
When the human mind of Texas can fathom the great distress in the storm belt then they can realize just how important this Masonic relief was and what a great task was placed on the committee. For days everything was in utter chaos and travel was had mostly by walking and swimming. Horses were used sometimes, but they had to be led part of the time. Boats were very scarce as everything of this nature was either destroyed or driven miles inland. The only craft in commission were small skiffs and they were used in the cities and hamlets in going from one place to another.

Grand Master Ross reached Corpus Christi on Friday following the storm and he at once started Masonic relief. Money, clothing, etc., were coming in from Masons all over the State.

The Order of the Eastern Star appointed Mrs. Mabel Eldridge as their chairman in charge of relief to assist Bro. McVea, and she remained in Corpus Christi until the end of the work.

Masonic relief was the first outside assistance to reach Rockport. Bros. Frank Newton, S. L. Batchelor, Dr. Wm. C. Farmer and I. Solomon of San Antonio, arrived in Rockport on Friday afternoon, September 19, and remained in the city several days. They brought money, clothing and medical supplies, and dispensed all freely to everyone in need regardless of color or creed, and many favorable comments have been heard on their generosity.

Dr. Farmer co-operated with



ANCIENT ARCHITECTURE is not necessarily what interests these fellows making the scene at Rome's Spanish Steps, which lead up to the famed church of Trinita dei Monti.

Bro. Dr. P. Worley of Rockport and gave him much needed medical supplies, as the one drug store of the city was a total wreck. Dr. Farmer also opened a relief station near the depot and gave medical attention to all comers, besides making many trips to nearby towns.

Clothing brought into the city in suit cases was placed in charge of Bros. Solomon and Batchelor and the former made many trips to Aransas Pass, the end of the railroad at that time, and brought in more clothing which the committee had left in that city for distribution.

Bro. Frank Newton took an active part in affairs of the city, helped to open the roads running to the outside world, and cooperated in every way possible with those in charge in the city.

Bro. Newton also sought out

many Masons and gave them immediate financial aid, which was indeed timely.

After these brethren left, the work in Rockport devolved upon Bro. W. E. Westmoreland, Master of Rockport Lodge No. 323, and he, with the other officers of the Lodge, gave ready assistance to all Masons and their families. Bro. Westmoreland was sent money from time to time by Bro. McVea and no Mason was allowed to want for anything for bodily comfort. Bro. Westmoreland is due the thanks and praise of all Masons for the efficient manner in which he administered, and is now administering, to Masonic wants.

Bro. McVea visited Rockport several times during his stay in the storm district, and he kept in close touch with the work. Report of his work and the disposal of the \$60,000

Full Retirement Not Necessary For Social Security

"Most people don't want to completely retire just because they are 62 or 65," said Tom Wilson, field representative in the social security office in Corpus Christi. "Some continue working full time, while others taper off by doing part-time or seasonal work. Many of these people are receiving social security benefits, and if you are one of them, it is important that you know how you may receive benefits while you are still working."

"The law provides that you may earn as much as \$1500 a year and receive all of your social security benefits," Wilson explained. "Even if you earn considerably more than \$1500, you may still receive some of your benefits. You receive all but \$1 of your benefits for every \$2 that you earn over \$1500 and up to \$2700. If you earn more, an additional \$1 in benefits is withheld for every \$1 earned over \$2700. There is an exception that provides that you will receive

your benefit for any month in which you neither (1) earn more than \$125 in employment nor (2) work for yourself. Also, beginning with the month you are 72, you receive all of your benefits regardless of the amount that you earn thereafter."

"Here is an example: If you are entitled to \$100 a month from social security and your wife to \$50 a month, this would amount to \$150 a month or \$1800 a year in benefits. If you continue to work, earning \$2800 a year, you and your wife would still get \$1,100 a year from social security—full benefits except \$600 (½ over \$1,500 up to \$2,700) and \$100 (all earned over \$2,700.) If you earn \$10,000 a year but work in only nine months, \$450 in benefits would still be paid for the three months that you do not work."

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sent into the storm belt by Texas Masons will be filed with the Grand Lodge. This is one report in which all Masons will be interested.

In conclusion, we who felt the full force of the disaster, can say that the Masons of the devastated area fell most grateful to our more fortunate brethren who came to our relief in time of need, and we are all proud of the part Masons played in the relief work and the prompt and effective action by our Grand Master.

only to the amount earned from employment and self-employment," Wilson explained. "It does not apply to other income such as interest, dividends, or income from another retirement plan."

Don't lose any benefits that you may be entitled to—see your social security representative and find out what you may receive.

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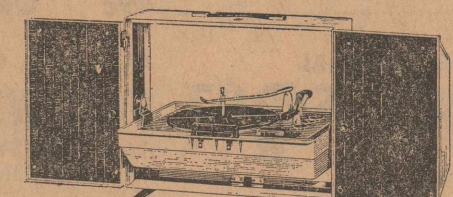
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