

BATH-HOUSE, PAVILION PLANNED AT BEACH

NAVY ASKED REMOVE ARANSAS BAY BOMBING RANGE

Wardens File On Fisherman And Hunter

Charges were filed this week with Judge Joe Smith, justice of peace, against a hunter and a fisherman by state game wardens.

Dr. E. G. Ferguson of Oklahoma was charged with possessing over the bag limit of wild ducks Nov. 16. Game Warden T. A. Harris filed the complaint. The case is cooperative between state and federal authorities. Papers will be served on Ferguson by a federal game management agent.

Vernon Yelton, U. S. Game Management agent at Corpus Christi who worked with Harris on the case alleged Ferguson shipped 52 ducks in one day when the limit was 30. He added that if the doctor did not plead guilty or return for trial in state court, federal charges would be filed against him and he would be extradited for trial in federal court.

The other charge, filed by M. B. Mullinax, was against Guy Hanks local fisherman. He pleaded guilty to netting in closed waters April 30. County Attorney Emory Spencer, acting for Judge Smith in his absence, suspended the fine and charged Hanks with \$9 costs.

Chief A. R. Kane Returns After 29-Month Service With Seabees in Atlantic

Chief Boatswain Mate A. R. Kane, who returned to the United States two weeks ago after 29 months in the Atlantic, visited his mother, Mrs. U. L. Kane, in Rockport this week.

Kane has been on duty with the Seabees and was on the water during all of his service abroad. He participated in a number of the campaigns, including North Africa and Sicily.

The former cafe owner here is spending his leave in Refugio with his wife and child. He will report for reassignment at Camp Parks, Calif., May 17.

Steffler Opens Midway Inn On Highway 35 Monday Afternoon

Charles P. Steffler, for 20 years president of Saint Charles Bay Hunting Club and owner of a chain of bakeries in San Antonio before he moved here 15 years ago, has taken over management of Rainbow Inn one mile from town on Highway 35 and will open it as Midway Inn at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Steffler leased the property and purchased the equipment and supplies from C. D. Box who is moving to Indiana.

The inn has been completely remodeled with exterior and interior freshly painted, furniture redone and new rest rooms built.

Open hours will be from 1 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock at night, six days a week for the present.

Donald McBride Reports For Instructors Duty

Donald Calvin McBride, radio-man first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. McBride of Rockport, has reported for duty at the Naval Training Center as an instructor in radio school.

McBride, who has a sister Marmette, serving in Africa, enlisted in the Navy July 3, 1940. He has seen active service at sea with the fleet at Hawaiian Islands and Midway Islands.

Construction Begins

An apartment garage is being constructed on a bayfront site north of Fulton where E. F. White of Houston plans to build a summer home after the war. White's carpenters out of Houston and Fulton helpers are doing present construction work. The bluff property was purchased last fall.

Fishermen Suggest Copano Bay Offers Better Target

Half-Buried Bombs Constitute Hazard to Fishing Trawls

The Texas Fishermen's Association has sent a request to the commanding officer of the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi asking that the hazards in Aransas Bay caused by practice bombing near Rockport be eliminated by a transfer of the bombing range to Copano Bay.

The letter signed by W. D. McMillan, association president, said in part, "these bombs when released bury themselves only partly in the bottom of the bay, leaving a good portion extending above the bottom. This constitutes a great hazard to the trawls of fishermen, either tearing them or in some cases causing their loss entirely."

"These bombings are also hazardous to fishermen, hamper their efforts to make a living, causing them monetary loss and a subsequent loss of badly needed foodstuffs."

"It is extremely difficult to obtain materials for trawls as much of the webbing, cork and rope is being diverted for use in the armed services. So you can see the loss of a trawl is to the fishermen a serious thing."

"We recognize the need of a training program and we know that in the interest of the country at large we must suffer some inconvenience and some loss; however we wish to point out that Copano Bay immediately adjacent to Aransas Bay is not used by commercial fishing boats because of the extreme shallow draft, that it affords a large expanse of water surface that bombs could be dropped in without injuring the fishermen, their nets, or anyone or thing."

Another letter was sent by McMillan to J. B. Arnold, coastal director of the Game Fish and Oyster Commission, asking him as a friendly gesture to the fishermen to contact the commanding officer of NAS and point out to him the practical purpose that would be served by the move to Copano Bay.

The association is compiling a brief from information furnished by fishermen of Rockport and this area.

City Drainage Improved In Three Sections

Drainage in three sections of Rockport will be improved by work being done under direction of Tom Shults, water superintendent.

Seventy-five feet of 18-inch concrete drainage pipe has been substituted for 15 inch pipe at the intersection of Magnolia and Market Streets. Ditches on both sides are being cleaned out for three blocks.

At Wood and Cedar Streets in the north end of town, a 15 inch pipe was installed where there was none in the past. The intersection had been impassable frequently because of sand. The sand was removed and the pipe covered with shell to eliminate the traffic hazard.

The next project Shults will undertake is relaying or laying of new pipe at Magnolia and Wharf Street behind Aransas Gas and Hardware Company where present pipe is broken.

Father Kelly's Nephew Reported Killed In Action

Pfc. Richard Denny, nephew of the Rev. J. H. Kelly, priest of the Sacred Heart Church, was killed in action April 11 in the Philippines with the infantry. His parents live in Sunnyside, Utah. Father Kelly said a mass for him at 10 a.m. Sunday soon after he received the message.

ROBERTS PURCHASE PALM COURTS

ROCKPORT'S BEST STUDENT VOICES TO BE HEARD IN 'SUNBONNET GIRL'

Rockport students will raise their solo and chorused voices tomorrow night at 8:15 o'clock when the Choral Club climaxes weeks of practice with a cheerful little curtain opener, "The Sunbonnet Girl."

The youthful singers will have the opportunity to fill the auditorium with lyrics and melodies that combine a touch of the melodramatic with the more usual chorus effects.

Costumes will range from calico to silk, while Shirley Rattisneau as Susan Clifton and Bert Haney as Bob Coleman sing their way through the trials of musical contests and a battle of wits for name and fortune.

Soloists who will take their share of the spotlight will be Elmer McLester, Winola Stewart, Charlotte Cron, Dexter Wright, David Herring, Jo Ann Amidon, Charlyne Davis, Juanita Pitchke, Lucille Haynes, Harris Pollard, Tommy Blackwell and Wilbern Hamblin.

Coming in with mass voices all during the two acts will be Patsy Davis, Mary Ruth Dervage, Elizabeth Freeman, Iletta Townsend, Wilma Rouquette, Coleen Smith, Jean Marie Roberts, Mary Lou McLester, Louisa Robinson, Rowena Posey, Margaret Stewart, Pauline Wahler, Patti Ballou, Patricia Wallace, Shirley Jones, Phillis Walker, Barbara Dickens, Mildred Wilkinson and Bertha Faye McElwee.

Jackie Dietrich, Gene Lassiter, Russell Rowe, Jack Davis, Jack Blackwell Jr., Norman McLead, Jimmy Little, Bobby Joe Hewitt, Everett Perry, Bobby Morrison, Sam James, Glen Owens, and Bobby Landrum.

Directors are Miss Mona Ruth Butcher and Owen James.

Edwin Mundine will handle footlights and curtains.

Proceeding the opera from 6 to 8 o'clock, the Parent-Teacher Association will serve a dinner in the lunchroom. For the opera itself, there will be a family rate.

War Bond Quota Of \$125,000 Set For May Drive

Sale of \$60,000 E Bond Minimum To Be Emphasized

An overall quota of \$125,000 for Aransas county in the Seventh War Loan Drive was assigned this week to Fred Bracht, chairman. Emphasis is to be laid on the sale of E bonds as these smaller denomination securities carry a \$60,000 quota.

This will be the last drive this year, Nathan Adams, state chairman, informed Bracht. The county is expected to show the same response to the larger quota as it has shown in the past by going over every quota assigned, all of which have been smaller than this.

The success of the war in the West leaves on the screen the hard, probably long fight in the east, Bracht said. Nor can the post-war period be minimized. The communities in which War Bonds are widely held will be the best fortified to meet the post war adjustment period. Rockport can take advantage of opportunities to grow and prosper and individuals can take their places in the development if War Bonds are on hand to be converted to cash.

Opening March 17, the drive will be handled as have all others in the past. Mrs. F. L. Booth, women's chairman, will have tables in local stores where applications for bonds may be drawn.

Nephew of Roden Is Missing in Action

Sgt. Wilbur Roden, nephew of J. M. Roden of Rockport, has been missing in action in Germany since April 8, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Roden of Hallettsville, have been informed by the War Department.

The 21-year-old gunner on a B-17 has been overseas two years and with half his missions complete, has been awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

DREDGE CHRISTENED

The dredge "Roy Miller" was christened at an informal ceremony at Aransas Pass Tuesday afternoon. The Bauer-Smith Dredging Company has the dredge in operation there. Mrs. Conn Brown, wife of the mayor of Aransas Pass, broke the bottle of champagne, while Roy Miller, acting president of the Intracoastal Canal Association, for whom the dredge was named, stood by her side.

NO OBJECTIONS MADE AT ARANSAS PASS CANAL HEARING

At a public hearing held in Aransas Pass by the U. S. Engineers Tuesday afternoon, no objections were filed to a proposed alternate channel of the Intracoastal Canal.

Officials and representatives of industry from this coastal section voiced approval of a channel to enter Turtle Cove and pass in front of Aransas Pass, intersecting the Corpus Christi ship channel south of Aransas Pass.

FOUR INDUCTED

Four men were sent to Fort Sam Houston for induction Monday by the local Selective Service Board. Edward Deenard Dowdy, Elmer Frank Burley Jr., and Louis Longira Rodriguez were local registrants and William Geter Bardwell Jr., was transferred to the board.

Floyd Smith Discharged After 17 Months Service With Army Transportation

Pfc. Floyd Smith after 17 months service with the Army has received an honorable discharge and returned to Rockport, where his wife and two sons, Pat and Mike have lived during his absence.

Smith was employed at the shipyard here before enlisting. With the transportation Corps of the Army, he was stationed in the state of Washington and on Angel Island, Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith of Rockport.

Hunt Advanced In Rate for Valor

Gene Elmo Hunt, son of Mrs. Velma Malchar of Rockport, has been advanced to Pharmacist's mate second class, USNR, for "meritorious conduct in action against the enemy."

His advancement in rating was authorized by the commander-in-chief, Pacific Fleet, when Hunt "comported himself with valor and repeatedly demonstrated an outstanding ability to perform the duties of caring for the wounded while under enemy fire."

Born in Taft, the 20-year-old pharmacist's mate enlisted in the Navy here Oct. 27, 1942.

Awarded Bronze Star

Pfc. Eugene Kennemer of Rockport has been awarded a Bronze Star for participation in campaigns in Germany with the 30th Infantry Division.

FULL TRUCKLOAD OF OLD CLOTHES COLLECTED HERE

Clothes from the backs of Rockport and Fulton residents were neatly packed in boxes and cases marked "womens," "mens," "childrens" and "infants," at the City Hall this week, and will make a full truckload for shipment to Corpus Christi.

Used clothes destined for destitute homes across the ocean were packed Wednesday and Thursday by Mrs. Hugh Morrison, Mrs. Henry Ballou, Miss Mabel Bracht, Mrs. Fred Brundrett, Mrs. Charles Picton, Miss Velma Picton and Mrs. Albert Collier.

Heldenfels Issued Temporary Permit For Reef Dredging

Grass Island Chain Studied in Compliance With New Ruling

The first case to apply rulings of the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission last week protecting live oyster beds, was heard here Monday afternoon and concluded by the temporary grant of a permit to Heldenfels Brothers for dredging on the Grass Island chain of reefs.

Granting of a blanket permit to Heldenfels to dredge in Aransas Bay had resulted in the objections of fishermen to dredging for mud-shell on Long reef, a live oyster bed. The Commission cancelled that permit and at a meeting a week ago went on record as opposing in gall blanket permits.

They ruled that before any permit was granted, the reef considered for mudshell operations must be studied by a representative of the oyster industry and the mud-shell industry, an employee of the Coastal Division and C. S. Rudasill, director of the shell, sand and gravel division.

Monday these provisions were put into effect for the first time in Texas.

Rudasill came to Rockport and went out on the commission boat with James Heldenfels, Joel Hedgpeth, marine biologist, Wallace Lassiter, Benny Earp, and Bruce Evans, commission workers in this district, and several fishermen. They studied the site Heldenfels proposed to substitute for Long Reef where they will no longer be allowed to dredge.

That afternoon, at a meeting held at the commission office a unanimous agreement was drawn up for Heldenfels to operate north of Ship Island on the Grass Island chain of reefs, and if necessary to cut a channel 100 feet wide through the same reef on the route to St. Charles Bay. All parties involved agreed they had no objections to the dredge operating on Teal Reef in St. Charles Bay.

The waiver of objections was signed by S. F. Jackson of Jackson Wholesale Seafoods; Ray Wendell of Rouquette and Wendell; Frank Casterline of Casterline Fish Company; and Y. D. Dawson, fisherman.

J. B. Arnold, director of the Coastal Division, said a temporary permit was issued to Heldenfels by Rudasill who will furnish his information to the commission at the July meeting. If the site is approved, the commission will issue a permanent permit.

Eighteen barges of shell are now being put on location by Heldenfels after a 10-day lay-up for repairs, then equipment will be moved to Teal Reef.

Mrs. Joe Smith, who underwent an operation two weeks ago at Fred Roberts hospital in Corpus Christi, is improving and expects to be brought home Sunday.

Stefka Family Return to Temple After Deal Closed

Four San Antonions Take Over Management of Property

San Antonio apartment house owners this week closed a deal for the \$65,000 Palm Courts in North Rockport on Aransas Bay including 28 of the most modern tourist units in this part of the country.

Purchasers were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Roberts of San Antonio. Selling their interest were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stefka of Temple who bought the cottages and duplexes from J. C. Hunt last September.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roberts will maintain their home in San Antonio but will live at the courts as managers. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Roberts will remain in San Antonio where the family has wide spread real-estate interests. Henry Roberts has been an employee of Guarantee Shoe Co. in San Antonio for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Stefka will return to their home at Temple where they own a grocery store. They have spent part of their time in each town operating the two businesses. Their managers, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Greenawalt, will remain in Rockport for the present.

The transaction closed by Arthur Biard, San Antonio real estate man, called for "\$65,000 and other considerations."

This is the third time the valuable bayfront property has changed hands in as many years. In May 1943, Hunt purchased the courts from H. E. Stumberg who had built them 10 years before.

Purple Heart Medal Awarded Posthumously To Cotton Sanders

A Purple Heart medal and certificate of award were received this week by Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Sanders in the name of their son, Bryant Lannon (Cotton) Sanders, aviation machinist mate first class, USNR, killed in action Oct. 25, 1944.

The certificate, signed by James Forrestal, secretary of the Navy, said the award was given for "military merit and for wounds received in action resulting in his death."

Saski Trailer House Destroyed By Early Morning Fire Saturday

A trailer home belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Saski was destroyed by fire about 8 o'clock Saturday morning. The fire was beyond control when the fire department reached the location north of the school, but the volunteers prevented spread of the blaze.

Saski is serving in Germany with the Army, and Mrs. Saski was away from the house when the fire started from a lighted stove. All her personal belongings and clothes were lost and the built-in furniture in the trailer.

Johnson Promoted To Staff Sergeant

Roscoe S. Johnson, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Johnson, of Rockport, has been promoted to the grade of staff sergeant. A tail turret gunner on a B-24 bomber, he is stationed with the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy.

Johnson has completed more than 20 bombing missions against vital German-held targets and in support of the Russian armies. He holds the Air Medal. Enlisting Jan. 19, 1944, Johnson received his gunnery training at Laredo Field.

The regular first Sunday Community Singing will be held at Fulton church at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, Joe Smith, president announced this week.

Duck and Simpson Lease Bayfront Land From City

Construction On Three Units to Begin At Earliest Possible Date

Tourist attraction of Rockport's beach will be greatly enhanced when terms of a 10-year lease executed by the city this week are carried out and a bath house, dance pavilion and drive-in are constructed on the north end of the seawall, to revert to the city at the termination of the lease.

C. A. Duck and Francis Simpson of Rockport signed the lease for 185 by 150 feet of the seawall area, extending south from the northeast corner.

They agreed to build a bathhouse which would give adequate service to the public such as rental of floats, beach umbrellas and suits. The drive-in and dance pavilion must also meet public needs. Expenditures on the three units must be \$6,000 or more. Plans for each unit are to be submitted to the city council for approval before construction begins.

The lease calls for payment to the city for \$10 a year but actual consideration is in the buildings which become city property at the end of 10 years.

Another clause provides that Duck and Simpson will build and maintain public rest rooms.

Construction will begin as soon as labor and materials are available. The buildings will be concrete block structure throughout.

Rockport's last bathing and pleasure facilities on the beach were a wooden pavilion and bathing house which were washed out in the 1942 storm.

M. K. Hunt Wounded Third Time In Action

Cpl. Melvin K. Hunt, whose wife lives in Rockport and Corpus Christi, has been wounded and hospitalized for the third time since he went overseas almost three years ago.

The War Department informed his wife and mother, Mrs. Sarah Hunt, now living in Corpus Christi, that the infantryman had received a minor injury from a gunshot wound in his left arm April 13. He is in a hospital in Northern Italy. He received a more serious injury two years ago while serving with the anti-aircraft corps in Africa. Since then he has been hospitalized one other time.

Hunt worked for the State Highway Department here before going into service.

School Board Posts Unchanged

The Rockport School Board was reorganized at a meeting Tuesday night, and each officer reelected to the post he held during the last year.

T. C. Kelly will again serve as president, Reed Simmons as vice-president and Ted Little as secretary. Lloyd Smith and Virgil Mullian, reelected as school board trustees April 7, were sworn in at the meeting after the votes had been canvassed by the board.

At the request of the Parent-Teachers Association, the board agreed to manage the school lunchroom next year. The P.T.A., which has handled the management in the past, will maintain sponsorship. The high school home economics teacher will direct operations. Mrs. M. C. Wheeler is serving in that capacity this year.

Monthly bills were approved by the board for payment.

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H. P. Phagan returned today from Tucson, Ariz., where he visited his brother, L. W. Phagan, critically ill in the hospital there.

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LAWN PARTY HONORS MRS. LOMAN, GUEST OF MRS. HAYDEN

Mrs. M. C. Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hayden honored Mrs. Loman's sister, Mrs. Hugh J. Loman of Victoria, with a luncheon party at the Hayden home last Wednesday night.

High score was won by Iris Sorenson and low score by Mrs. Joe Johnson. Mrs. Loman was presented with a gift prize.

Served punch and angel food squares from a lily and fern decorated table on the lawn were Miss Sorenson, Mrs. Bertha Harper, Miss Katie Lee Clarke, Mrs. Lillian Sorenson, Mrs. Charlene Hunt, Mrs. R. L. Hart, Mrs. Susan Butler, Mrs. Lucy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

MARRIAGE LICENSE
Charles Lambeth and Patricia Maxine Power.

Camp Fire Girls Go On Hike and Wiener Roast

Twenty-four Camp Fire Girls and guardian, Mrs. R. L. Hart met at the school Friday evening and hiked to the roadside park for a wiener roast.

Games were played at the park and later on the beach. Refreshments of weiners, buns, pickles, cookies and cold drinks were served.

Chaperones were Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Tom Shults, Mrs. Charlie Garrett, Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson and Mrs. Charles Roe.

Campfire girls enjoying the event were Vaunda Smith, Dolly Lee Hart, Norma Lou Rowe, Ruby M. Wilkinson, Mildred Wilkinson, Jewel Murphy, Thelda J. Haynes, Peggy Owens, Ruth Ann Davis, Bonnie Jean Spencer, Betty Lou Garrett, Loyce Mae Shults, Justine Mixon, Betty McGregor, Marjorie Mixon, Carol Townsend, Helen Landrum, Virginia Easter, Rosa Faye Hamblin, Kathryn Atwood, Elsie Blackwell, Berta Gene Shults, Joyce Lassiter and Mary Ann Close.

Seventh Graders Dance At Pirate's Cave

Students in the 7th grade and their guests enjoyed a Class party and dance Friday night at the Pirates' Cave.

Mrs. Houston Ratliff had charge of the arrangements and was assisted by Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson, Mrs. Somer Smith and Mrs. Pat Mixon.

Bunco and dancing provided the entertainment and refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and punch were served.

Forty-six 7th graders and guests were present.

Surprise Birthday Party Given for Mrs. Frank Walker at Weber Home

A surprise birthday party was given for Mrs. Frank Walker recently at the home of Mrs. John Weber. Members of the Fulton Study club were hostesses for the affair.

The dining room table held the large white birthday cake which was decorated with pink sugarpans roses and inscribed in pink with "Happy Birthday Maxine."

A refreshment course of cake and punch were served to the following guests: Mrs. E. B. McHaley, Mrs. Tom DeForest, Mrs. Annie Weber, Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mrs. Fannie Marrs, Mrs. Chris Hattenbach, Mrs. Conrad Day, Mrs. Ruth Weber, Mrs. Arthur Davis, Mrs. C. L. Harris, Mrs. Marion Johnson, Mrs. Johnny DeForest, Mrs. Allen Johnson, Mrs. John Weber, Mrs. Edwin Mundine, Mrs. Mattie Cole, Mrs. E. G. Cooke, Mrs. Charles Keefer, Mrs. Bert Johnson, Mrs. Audrey Ivy, Mrs. Fannie Dietrich, Mrs. A. G. Collin, Mrs. G. R. Rowe, Mrs. Raymond Owens, Miss Dixie Mundine, Junita Pitschke, Mary Elise Rowe, Wilma Rouquette, Fay Nell Cole and Miss Hetty Weber.

Mrs. Norvell Jackson and daughter, Mary Lucille, and Miss Mary Virginia Jackson, who is attending the University of Texas, will come down Saturday from Austin to visit Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jackson. Miss Jackson will be here for the week-end, but Mrs. Jackson and daughter will remain for an indefinite visit.

LAWN SHOWER AT McCLURE HOME HONORS MRS. WOODAHL, BRIDE OF LAST MONTH

Mrs. Annie McClure, Mrs. Cleo Smith and Miss Mary Frances Ferris entertained Monday night on the McClure lawn with a wedding shower honoring Mrs. Lester G. Woodahl, who before here marriage last month was Miss Mary Ella McElveen.

Chairs were placed in a large circle about the lighted lawn and three tables were laid with colorful cloths to hold the many wedding gifts. As the guests arrived they signed a register presided over by Miss Mary Frances Ferris.

Then, Isham McElveen, the honoree's brother, pulled out a wagon holding a boat lettered "Woodahl" and flying a small United States flag. The boat was filled with gifts. Other gifts were also brought out and placed on the tables to be opened by Sp. (Y) 3-c and Mrs. Woodahl.

After the gifts were admired, refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, cookies and punch were served from a table by Mrs. McClure and Mrs. Smith.

The group then enjoyed talking and listening to some accordion selections by Miss Mona Ruth Butcher who played a request program.

Those signing the guest register were: Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Ghormley, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hamblin, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bracht, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Curry, Mrs. E. L. Criteer, Miss Margaret Schuster, Mr. and Mrs. Julian C. Thompson, Mrs. J. T. Bryant, Mrs. James Lathrop, Miss Ruth Lipscomb, Rose Posy, Melba Phagan, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Fox, Mrs. G. W. Bennett, Mrs. M. E. Elveen, Mrs. Bertha Harper, J. W. Bodgett, Isham McElveen, Miss Iris Sorenson, Mrs. W. F. Cane, Jack Sampson, Mrs. J. D. Haseman, Mrs. Roy Hinton, Mrs. Charlie Garrett, Mrs. Jane Eller.

Miss Katie Lee Clarke, Mrs. Don Alger, Frances Ewart, Mrs. Nada Jean Hawes, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sparks, Mrs. R. C. Schmeling, Jr., Miss Mary Beth Picton, Mrs. R. M. Pitenger, Mrs. Fred Bracht, Miss Mary Jo Bracht, Miss Marilyn Brown, Miss Mary A. Deane, Miss Veronica Kleaser, Miss Mona Ruth Butcher, Mrs. C. L. Harris and Mrs. E. G. Cooke.

Miss Dorothy Bissett of Corpus Christi spent last week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bissett.

Bonnie Cron Competes In Austin Contest

Bonnie Cron, freshman, will compete today in the Girl's division of extemporaneous speech contest at the State Interscholastic League Meeting to be held at the University of Texas in Austin.

Dr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Cron, Mrs. M. C. Wheeler and Bonnie left Wednesday afternoon for Austin so that Bonnie could register and participate in the State meet. They will return home tonight.

Game Party Given Faculty Club At Pirate's Cave

Miss Katie Lee Clarke and Mrs. Bertha Harper entertained the faculty club in the Pirate's Cave at the school Thursday night.

Games of "Cootie" were enjoyed. Lloyd Smith won the high score prize for men and Mrs. Charlyne Hunt won the high score prize for the ladies. Consolation prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wheeler.

Refreshments of cake squares and punch were served from a lace covered table which was centered with a crystal bowl holding a lovely arrangement of Easter lilies and lace fern. Tall yellow tapers guarded the centerpiece. Mrs. Harper served the cake and Miss Clarke presided over the punch bowl.

Invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Ted R. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Reid Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Mundine, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Mullan, Mr. and Mrs. Algie Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Q. J. Lowman of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. Owen James, Mr. and Mrs. Fred James, Mrs. Charlyne Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Lee Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, Mrs. Roy Lee Hart, Mrs. Bill Cavitt, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Mixon, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Gunter, Mrs. W. F. Harmon, Mrs. Lucy Roberts, Mrs. C. O. Lowery, Mrs. Susan Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan C. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Phagan, Miss Mona Ruth Butcher, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Fox and Mrs. Clara Seaton.

Church In Europe Studied By W.C.S.

The Woman's Christian Society of the Methodist Church held its social meeting last week in the Educational Building at the church. Mrs. E. G. Cooke, Mrs. C. L. Harris and Mrs. John Young were hostesses.

Mrs. Clark Rooke had charge of the program "The Church in Europe" and parts were taken by Miss Minnie Friend, Mrs. R. A. Phelps and Mrs. R. R. Ghormley. Those attending were Mrs. Reid Simmons, Mrs. E. G. Cooke, Mrs. C. L. Harris, Mrs. John Young, Mrs. John Townsend, Mrs. Raulerson, Mrs. R. A. Phelps, Miss Minnie Friend, Mrs. C. C. Loveless, Mrs. Clark Rooke, Mrs. Ed Moore, Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. C. Murphy and Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Ghormley.

Lt. and Mrs. Maynard L. Abrahams are arriving today from Kansas to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Jackson, for a few days. Lt. Abrahams returned recently to the States after 8 months of overseas duty.

Personals

Mrs. A. L. Bruhl and Mrs. F. L. Booth spent Wednesday night in Corpus Christi with Mrs. Charles Gibson.

Seaman 1-c Malcom Bocquet, who is stationed at Port St. Jo, Fla., spent the week-end here with his wife and daughter.

Mrs. Bert Ballou has received word that her grandson, Seaman 1-c Howard L. Goforth, has been reassigned to a carrier. Goforth is a survivor of the St. Lo which went down in the Battle of the Philippines.

Mrs. Bert Ballou returned home Monday from Refugio where she had been visiting for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Corcoran Drake of Ganado visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brundrett and Mr. and Mrs. George Lee Brundrett over the week-end.

Mrs. Charles B. MacKeen of Hallettsville returned home Monday after a week's visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jolly. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. W. F. Cain, who will visit in Hallettsville for two weeks.

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Mrs. Arley Shivers and children and Mrs. James Truell of Corpus Christi left Monday for Woodville to visit relatives for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ingle Turner and children of Refugio were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith.

J. W. Rhodes of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived here Friday to visit his daughter and family, Mr. Mrs. Hugh Morrison, for an indefinite time.

J. E. Fuller of Palacios was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Allemang.

Chief Boatswain Mate Robert R. Owens returned to his station in Miami, Fla., by plane Saturday after a visit here with his wife and young son.

Davis Girls Were Hostesses At Social

Seventeen members of the Presbyterian Young People's Association met at the Manse last Wednesday night for their weekly social. Hostesses were Charlyne and Patsy Davis.

Mrs. T. H. Pollard conducted the lesson on "Luke" and then a social hour was enjoyed. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and punch were served.

Woman's Auxiliary to Celebrate Birthday At Jack Hagar Home

The Annual Birthday Party of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hagar.

Mrs. Jim Hooper will have charge of the program and hostesses will be Mrs. Pete Richardson, Mrs. Marshall Anderson and Mrs. M. C. Wheeler.

All members of the congregation and friends of the church are invited to attend.



MARINE SERVICE

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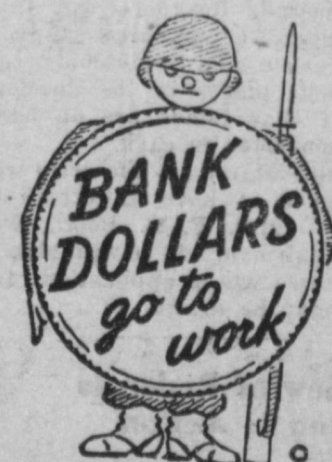


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Mrs. Jeffries Takes High Prize At Ballou Bridge Party

Cape jasmynes, bougainvillea and lillies featured in the decorations Saturday night when Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ballou entertained with a bridge party at their home.

High score for the ladies went to Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries with Charlie Ankele receiving the award for the men.

A refreshments course of ribbon sandwiches, ritz crackers, white cake squares with vanilla sauce and punch or coffee were served.

Those attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. Arley Shivers, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ankele, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mills, Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries, Mrs. Edward Barnard, Mrs. O. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mills of San Diego, Cal., and the host and hostess.

Two Officers Elected And Committee Named By Fulton Bible Study

Mrs. Johnny DeForest was hostess Tuesday afternoon when members of the Fulton Bible Study met at her home. The devotional was given by Mrs. E. B. McHaley and Mrs. Frank Walker conducted the lesson.

During the business session presided over by the president, Mrs. Fannie Marrs, two new officers were elected. Mrs. Allen Johnson was elected reporter and treasurer of the organization and Mrs. John Cole was named chairman of the ways and means committee. Another officer in the organization is Mrs. Frank Casterline who is vice-president.

Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served to Mrs. Will Madden, Mrs. Chris Hattenbach, Mrs. John Cale, Mrs. John Weber, Mrs. Chas. Keefe, Mrs. Fred Weber, Mrs. Fannie Marrs, Mrs. Allen Johnson, Mrs. Condar Day, Mrs. C. R. DeForest, Mrs. S. Z. Bromley, Mrs. McHaley, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. DeForest.

Patti Ballou Wins High Score at Bridge Party

Charlotte Cron was hostess Saturday afternoon to members of her bridge group at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Cron.

Pink and white were carried out in the decorations, tallies, napkins and punch straws. Easter lillies and pink oleanders were placed in bowls about the rooms.

Patti Ballou received the high score prize and Sissy Rowe won second high. The consolation prize went to Lucille Haynes.

Refreshments of angel food squares, ritz crackers with cheese and punch were served to Colleen Smith, Mary Lou McLester, Sissy Rowe, Patti Ballou, Lucille Haynes, Wilburn Hamblin, Bonnie and Charlotte Cron.

Cadets Joe Mayo and Joe Minor of the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi spent Saturday here visiting with Mrs. Travis Bailey.



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LOCAL STUDENTS RUSH FROM ONE ACTIVITY TO ANOTHER AS CLOSING OF SCHOOL NEARS

Rockport high school students have been in a flurry all week and will probably continue in a whirl of excitement until school dismisses for the summer months.

The Seniors participated in their traditional senior day fun last Friday. That same night, the Freshmen Class held its class party and dance, on Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hamblin's lawn. Monday night, the Sophomores were feted with a weiner roast and dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and plans are underway for a banquet and dance for the 8th grade students who will graduate into high school this year.

In addition to all the socials, the majority of the high school students have been busily practicing for the Operetta "Sunbonnet Girl," which is slated for Friday night.

SENIOR DAY

Friday was Senior Day. At 11:30 o'clock, six seniors and their sponsor, Mrs. W. F. Harmon, boarded a bus for Corpus Christi and a gala time.

There they had lunch and then visited the Caller-Times Plant where they watched the presses roll, were served refreshments and given tickets to attend a movie.

Dinner at the Robert Driscoll hotel followed and then the group returned to Rockport on the 6 o'clock bus.

Seniors enjoying the fun were Lucy Delgado, Corrine Evans, Ollie Mundine, Harris Pollard, Wister Stevenson and Elmer McLester.

FRESHMAN CLASS PARTY

Outdoor games and dancing featured in the fun Friday night when members of the Freshman class and their guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hamblin for the final class party of the year.

Mrs. Susan Butler, class sponsor was assisted in the party arrangements by Mrs. Ted Little, Mrs. L. V. McLester, Mrs. Jack Blackwell and Mrs. B. W. Hamblin.

Refreshments of assorted sandwiches, pickles, olives, cookies and punch were served to Patti Ballou, Betty Joyce Dye, Patricia Wallace, La Nell Smith, Gloria Saleh, Melba Gwynn, Shirley Lassiter, Shirley Ratisseau, Jo Ann Amidon, Colleen Smith, Lucille Haynes, Wilburn Hamblin.

Ronnie Williams, Tommy Blackwell, Roy Lassiter, David Herring, Joe Johnson, Jr., Bert Haney, Bobby Morrison, Jimmy Little, Bobby Jo Hewitt, Harris Pollard, Albert Hunt, Jackie Blackwell, Norman

McLead, Alex Stewart, Bobby Landrum, Billy Jo Hunt and Robert Franklin.

SOPHOMORES FETED

Mrs. Joe Johnson, room mother, and Mrs. M. C. Wheeler, sponsor, entertained with a weiner roast and dance Monday night honoring members of the Sophomore Class and their dates. The affair was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

Weiners were roasted in the barbecue pit and served with buns, pickles, olives, salad, cookies and cold drinks.

After the feast, guests went indoors for dancing. The Sophomores present were Jean Roberts, Wilma Rouquette, Colleen Smith, Lucille Haynes, Ella Mae Green, Olea Driver, Lucille Young, Bert Haney, Bobby Hewitt, Joe Johnson, Jr., Edwin Mundine, Roy Lassiter, Ronnie Williams, Dexter Wright, Ralph Hademan and Gene Lassiter.

Guests were Mary Elsie Rowe, Jo Ann Amidon, Patti Ballou, Charlotte and Bonnie Cron, Joyce Cron, Joyce Williams, Wilburn Hamblin, Helen Landrum, Charlyne Davis, Patsy Davis, Mary Lou McLester, Shirley Ratisseau, Elizabeth Freeman, Patricia Wallace, Albert Hunt, Elmer McLester, Tommy Blackwell, David Herring, Claude Roberts, Bobby Landrum, Jackie Blackwell, Norman McLead, Harris Pollard, Seaman 2-c Bill Johnson, Walter Gray, Jessie Wright and Everitt Perry.

Mrs. Morrison Leads Presbyterian Auxiliary Program Of Circle 2

Mrs. James Lathrop was hostess Thursday afternoon to Circle 2 of the Presbyterian Auxiliary. The reception rooms were decorated with bowls of Easter lillies, larkspurs, and ferns.

The program "Because I Am a Christian" was led by Mrs. W. H. Morrison. Parts were taken by Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Fred Clobertants, Mrs. T. H. Pollard and Mrs. Lathrop.

During the business session members voted to assist the other circle in sponsoring a Rummage Sale. Those appointed on the committee to work out details were Mrs. E. Watkins, Mrs. Houston Ratliff, Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Mrs. Harry Mills and Mrs. George Lee Brundrett.

A refreshment course of marble cake squares and coffee was served seven members and three guests. Guests were Mrs. Floyd Smith, Mrs. Ted Little and Mrs. Kingsley.

Legal Notice Order of the County Judge, Ordering Election.

This, this 13th day of April, A. D. 1945 came on to be considered by the County Judge of Aransas County, Texas, the petition of more than one hundred free holders of Aransas County, Texas, for an order of election in each of the precincts of Aransas County, Texas, for the purposes of enabling the freeholders thereof to determine whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle shall be permitted to run at large therein, and it appearing to the undersigned judge of such court that such petition was filed with the County Clerk of said County on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1945, and that the Commissioners' Court thereafter on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1945, heard and granted the same and ordered that such election be held on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1945, and that the Judge of the said County issue an order therefor and cause public notice thereof to be given as required by law:

Now, therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me under such order and the law, I, B. S. Fox County Judge of Aransas County, Texas, do hereby order that on the 26th day of May, A. D. 1945 in each precinct of Aransas County, Texas, an election shall be held for the purposes of enabling the freeholders of Aransas County, Texas, to determine whether horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle shall be permitted to run at large in Aransas County, Texas bounded by Nueces County, San Patricio County, Refugio County, Calhoun County, and The Gulf of Mexico.

That the polls shall be opened for such election at the regular voting places in each precinct more particularly described as follows: Voting Precinct 1, Box 1, Fire Station in Rockport, Voting Precinct 1, Box 2, Estes, Schoolhouse in Estes, Voting Precinct Two, the Courthouse in Rockport, Voting precinct Three, Fulton Schoolhouse in Fulton, and Voting Precinct Four, Concession Hall in Lamar; Fred Diederick, Box 1, Voting Precinct One and Virgil Mullan, Box 2, Voting Precinct One, Will Rooke, Voting Precinct Two, W. J. Charnley, Voting Precinct Three, and Otto Key, Voting Precinct Four, being proper persons for such purposes and freeholders and qualified voters of Aransas County are hereby appointed as manager of said election, and they shall appoint their own clerks.

No person shall vote at such election unless he is a freeholder, and is also a qualified voter under the constitution and the laws of the State of Texas. All votes of such election shall be by ballot, and the voters desiring to prevent the animals designated herein from running at large shall place upon their ballots the words, "For the Stock Law" and those in favor of allowing such animals to run at large, "Against the Stock Law."

On or before the tenth day after such election, the persons holding such election shall make due returns of all the votes cast at their respective voting places for and against said proposition to the County Judge of said County.

Public notice of this order shall be given for at least thirty days before the date of such election by publication thereof in the "Rockport Pilot", a newspaper published in said County of Aransas.

Witness the hand of the County Judge of Aransas County, Texas, this the 17th day of April, A. D. 1945.

B. S. FOX, County Judge,
Aransas County, Texas.
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Rockport Alumni Ass'n. Holds Annual Banquet

Mrs. R. L. Hart urges all members of the Rockport Alumni Association to meet at the school Monday night at 8 o'clock to make plans for the annual banquet.

The Association gives a banquet each year to welcome new graduates of the Rockport High school into the organization.

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