

Volunteers Hire Paramedic To Run Ambulance Service

Bill Aston, a paramedic with more than five years' experience directing operation of a municipal emergency ambulance service in Luling, Texas, has been employed by Aransas County Hospital Volunteers, Inc. to set up and operate a similar service for Aransas County.

His employment, starting Dec. 21, was approved at a meeting of the Hospital Volunteers board of directors last Friday at First National Bank. Aston's salary will be $13,000 a year and he will be on call 24 hours a day.

Aston developed and directed all phases of the Luling operation. He was also responsible for a major share of the training of those who worked under his direction. He is skilled in the operation of the most advanced mobile life saving and life sustaining equipment and communications devices with which the new Aransas County modular ambulance will be equipped.

The new Modulance, as it is popularly known, is in Austin for examination and certification by the State Health Department. It is hoped to have the emergency medical system in operation late in January after the staff has been assembled and an orientation program completed, Board President James H. Sorenson, Jr., said. He added that a second and less completely equipped standby ambulance has been ordered but delivery has been delayed by a strike. It is planned to man both ambulances with volunteers.

The emergency room staff at Spohn Hospital in Corpus Christi with which the local organization will work, already has approved Aston's credentials and will provide an orientation program for him at the hospital.

Aston has state certification as an Emergency Medical Technician and more than the required training and practical experience for state certification as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician. Two Luling physicians with whom Ashton worked are preparing the necessary papers to obtain advanced certification for him. They view it as a mere formality and anticipate no difficulty in view of Aston's experience and technical qualifications.

Because of this technical situation the local hospital volunteers board decided to hire Aston on a conditional basis for the first 90 days pending official certification.

Dr. Jerry Shaw of the committee responsible for screening and interviewing applicants for the paramedic position, reported Aston was outstanding in comparison with all other candidates for the position. The committee's choice of Aston was unanimous, Dr. Shaw added.

The board authorized Conwell Smith's ambulance committee to develop a policy and procedure statement under which the emergency medical service will be operated, subject to approval by the board. Dr. Shaw was named Chief of Operations to provide liaison between the board and Aston.

Aston, 25, will move to Rockport with his wife, Jeanne, and their sons, Andy, 3½, and Aaron, 16 months, as soon as he completes purchase of a home for which he is negotiating, the board was told. Aston attended San Antonio College.

The feasibility of setting up a stabilization clinic was discussed by the board. Dr. Jim Wideman, chairman of the clinic committee, said he believed such a facility, possibly in rented space, could be started at relatively low cost. He added, however, that the problem of manning it with volunteer physicians would be a difficult one.

It was suggested that recent

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Notable Notes

Santa Claus!

The Rockport Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual Christmas tree giveaway for local children at the Fire Department building Thursday, Dec. 16. Santa Claus is expected to arrive at 7 p.m. with a load of Christmas candy and fruit.

RFTA Game Night

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

Tourist Party

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

Queen Contest

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

Dress Rehearsal

A dress rehearsal for the Christmas pageant at the St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Rockport is planned for Saturday, Dec. 18 at 10 a.m.

Choirs To Sing

"I Believe He's The Son of God," a choral experience for Christmas written by John F. Wilson, will be presented by the combined choirs of the First Baptist Church of Rockport Sunday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. Eddie Bradley, Linda Bradley and Joyce Brown will have solo parts in the special evening service. Charles Fake, pastor will narrate. The choir will be under the direction of Mrs. Wanda Fake.

SS Representative

A representative of the Social Security Administration will be at the Courthouse in Rockport on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at 9 a.m. The representative will answer questions and also will help claimants file applications for the regular Social Security benefit payments as well as for Supplemental Security Income benefits.

Tax 'Hot Line'

The Comptroller of Public Accounts wants to help you cut government red tape, and he's installed a toll free number, 1-800-252-5555, for your questions. Current call volume is 8,000 a month, and there has to be a reason.

Xmas Tree Party

The Fulton Volunteer Fire Department and the Ladies Auxiliary will hold their annual Christmas tree decoration party and gift giveaway at the Fulton Harbor, Thursday, Dec. 23 at 7:00 p.m. All children are invited to attend.

Box Top Redemption

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

Shadowbox Showcase

The Art Community Center at 902 Park Avenue, Corpus Christi, is scheduling tours for its annual Christmas Shadowbox Showcase. All schools and other groups are invited to participate. The exhibit will be from Dec. 2-29. Hours are Tuesday though Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday 1-5 p.m. Call Fred Orchard, 884-6506, for appointment.

Pilot Sightings

TEXAS HIGHWAYS is doing a special issue devoted entirely to the Rockport area. Watch for it soon...**MRS. JIM LITTLE** and **MARIE LONG** won the door prizes awarded at the recent Christmas open house held at **MERLE NORMAN COSMETICS** ...**RICHARD J. [DICK] FOX** has attained membership in the **FORD SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SALES COUNSELORS** for 1976. **FOX** is employed with **COMMERCIAL MOTOR COMPANY** of **ARANSAS PASS**, and also serves as a **NAVIGATION DISTRICT NO. 1 COMMISSIONER**...**RICKY LITTLE, RONNIE ROE, DAVID LANG, ALFRED McMURTRY** and **LOIS ROZZELL** all celebrating birthdays this week...**DAVID** and **MARY LOU TINER, MR.** and **MRS. HARRY THOMAS, W.C.** and **MAURINE UNDERWOOD** and **MR.** and **MRS. VERNER SHURMAN, JR.** celebrating anniversaries...

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EXTERIOR DECORATORS. Christmas decorations went up Monday, Dec. 13 in the Rockport and Fulton areas. It took some good old fashioned pole climbing and knee skinning on the part of workers for the George Miller Company to get the mock trees, lamps and holly where they belonged, and it's safe to say that not even Santa would have liked the kind of weather which these civic minded installers had to fight. The man on the pole is Danny Trevino.

City Feeling Few 'Growing Pains'

You can almost hear the bit being chomped these days at city hall as Rockport waits for its population to top 5,000. City Council ranged far and wide Monday night in its regular meeting, but the common thread that ran through most of the agenda items was accelerating community growth.

Save Our County Committee (SOCC) chairman Jim Hutt opened the Monday night meeting with a thank you to council and Mayor Walter Falk for assistance in changing Houston Oil and Minerals Corporation's mind about drilling near the Rockport Cemetery.

Only a handful of SOCC members appeared at the council meeting, but Hutt assured council that the group did not feel the battle won, and was in the process of drafting proposals to serve as guidelines for the city in its future relationships with interested industries.

Mayor Falk, ever eager for volunteers, told Hutt that Rockport had spent approximately $10,000 several years ago on a long range community plan, and that any SOCC recommendations would hopefully fit into that plan. He also said he hoped the SOCC members would make themselves available in the future for

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Donations Asked For Area Needy

The Aransas County Sheriff's Department and the local division of the State Welfare Department are asking the people of the Rockport-Fulton area to help donate and distribute the yearly Christmas toys to needy area families. Any gifts (toys or clothing) are appreciated.

The distribution will begin Wednesday, Dec. 22 at the local Sheriff's Department. Gifts should be brought to the Department headquarters before Dec. 22.

The Departments welcome all volunteers to help make this another "Merry Christmas."

Juvenile Board Probes Suicide

Area probation supervisors met Monday night with the Aransas County Juvenile Board in the wake of the suicide by hanging death of 15 year-old Katherine Shedd in the Aransas County Juvenile Shelter Saturday, Dec. 11.

The Board, composed of District Judges John Miller and Rachael Littlejohn, and Aransas County Judge John Wendell, heard one and one-half hours of testimony and review from Justice of the Peace Lawrence Miller and examining physician Dr. L.G. Wood.

Their findings and recommendations are expected at the end of the week, according to area probation head Dana Hendricks.

No juveniles are being placed in the shelter until the review is completed.

Katherine Shedd, the maternal granddaughter of San Patrico County Attoney Richard Hatch, was discovered at 3 p.m. Saturday by Don Cureton, a probation supervisor for the 36th Judicial District.

Miss Shedd had been placed

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Board Accepts Construction Bid

The Aransas County Independent School District School Board of Trustees Monday night accepted a bid by Southwest Building Systems of San Antonio for a new High School Industrial Arts Building and additions to the Junior High girls' dressing room.

Southwest bid $64,597 on the two projects. Hunt Building Company of Corpus Christi, the only other bidder, submitted a figure of $79,999 for the same work.

The proposed Industrial Arts Building contains approximately 3,750 square feet and will cost approximately $11.95 per square foot. It is basically a metal building on a concrete

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Navigation District Joins Drilling Fight

The Save Our County Committee (SOCC), which spearheaded the drive which resulted in an about face by Houston Oil and Minerals on proposed drilling near the Rockport Cemetery, had its eye on the future Tuesday night, Dec. 7 in an appearance before Navigation District 1 commissioners.

After 45 minutes of courteous pressure from SOCC spokesman Cam Leonard, commissioners agreed to meet with counsel David Connery and two SOCC members to word a resolution urging limitations on, and greater local control of, well drilling and related construction in offshore and inland Aransas County.

The resultant meeting was held Thursday morning, and included SOCC members Leonard and Bob Dingenary, as well as Navigation board members David Maguglin and Bobby Landrum. Also present were SOCC counsel and incoming County Attorney James Anderson, and Assistant County Attorney Reese Rozzell.

It was decided that SOCC members to be chosen later would conduct extensive research into existing regulations and possible regulatory alternatives and draft a joint resolution with the Navigation District to be presented to all elected bodies in Aransas County (Commissioners' Court, Rockport City Council, the Independent School District and the Navigation District board).

Additional copies would also go to state and national legislators and to state regulatory boards such as the Texas Railroad Commission if the SOCC or county representatives felt such an approach effective.

Board members were at first reluctant to pass a resolution because they felt it would be ineffective. The state Land Office or the state Railroad Commission issues all drilling permits and controls most related construction. Board Chairman David Maguglin told SOCC members that other correspondence and calls to state officials had been fruitless, and

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PUC Slashes Bell Rate Proposal

The new Public Utilities Commission followed its staff recommendations to the letter Monday in handing down its first rate decision.

The Commission approved a rate increase of $57.8 million for Southwestern Bell Telephone, approximately one-fifth of the $298.3 million the company had requested.

If Bell appeals, the order will not go into effect, but will be transferred to district court, where Attorney General John Hill says he feels confident of being able to uphold the commission's case against most of Bell's proposed increases.

If Bell does not appeal, the rates could go into effect as early as Jan. 1.

If the rates are accepted by Bell, Rockport area users will be paying less for their basic phone service. Private line residential customers will be paying $5 per month, down a full $2 from the current $7 charge, and down $2.40 from Bell's original proposal.

Two party residential users will be paying just $3.25 for basic service, down $1.75 from the current rates, and down $2.10 from the Bell proposals.

Businesses will be paying $10.50 for a single private line, down $4.20 from the current rates, and $7 from the Bell proposals.

No other specific figures for the Rockport area were available, but the overall settelment points to increases in almost all other categories. Intrastate

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Santa Letters

Children are reminded that the deadline for Letters to Santa is Monday, Dec. 20. The Pilot will be publishing all children's letters to the Great Red Nosed One and then forwarding them straight to the North Pole so the elves can go wacko trying to fill all the orders. So keep those cards and letters coming, friends, but be sure to have them here by Dec. 20 or Christmas will be cancelled.

Weather Report

Date		Hi.	Lo.	Prec.	Bar.
Dec. 7	—	55	40	.05	30.22
Dec. 8	—	59	32	.00	30.34
Dec. 9	—	64	43	.00	30.02
Dec. 10	—	67	59	t	30.10
Dec. 11	—	65	45	.80	30.10
Dec. 12	—	51	42	1.03	30.16
Dec. 13	—	55	48	.27	30.18



ALL STATE. Rockport-Fulton High School senior long distance runner Raul Ramirez took fifth place in the state cross country meet, held Saturday morning in Austin's Zilker Park in pouring rain and near freezing temperatures. The win ended five years of hoping for Ramirez, and won him a bear hug and a proud pat from his mother, one of several family members and friends who saw him run. For more on Rockport's first state track entry, see the Sports pages in this issue of The Pilot.

(Staff Photo by Mark Simmons)

The Rockport Pilot

Editorial

Making Waves

Rockport needs a community swimming pool, and several ideas have been put forth, including a large saltwater facility, which is possibly the least expensive way to go.

The city has been unable to follow up any of the ideas because it lacks funds.

But there is a possible solution one step beyond the ordinary splashing and diving pool.

Rockport should invest in both a pool and an automatic wave machine like those currently in operation successfully in Arizona and California. Such a facility would be a tourist attraction potentially as formidable as the Zurich municipal pool and would draw year round traffic from area surfers if properly heated. The all but guaranteed success of the facility would make it easy to obtain long term financing, and voter approval if it comes down to a bond issue.

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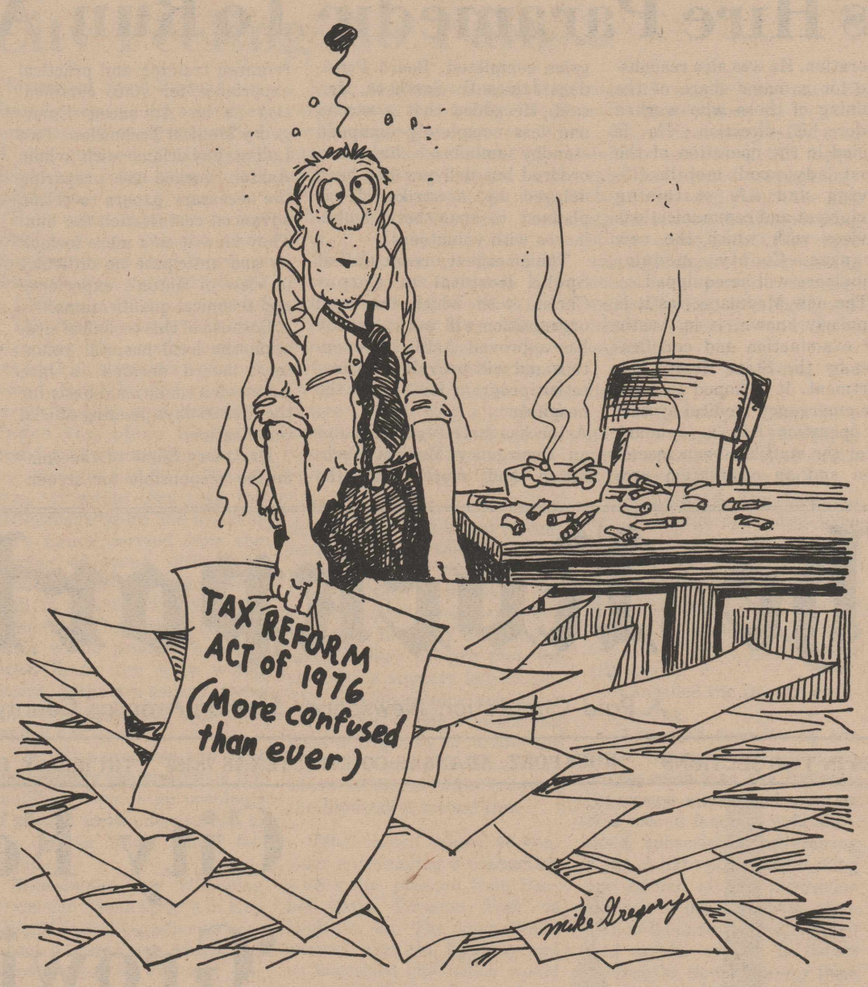
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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We have been receiving the Rockport Pilot up north here for two years now. It used to come rolled up so tightly that it was an effort to get it unrolled to read it, almost easier to throw it away than to struggle with it. Now, it comes nice and flat in a white envelope, it's a pleasure to unwrap and read now, thank you for that.

Another compliment, your newspaper has taken on a neat, interesting-to-read appearance. Lots of newsy little tidbits here and there. Have saved the SeaFair edition to show off to our friends up north. Although we've only been winter residents at Key Allegro for the past two winters we are contemplating making Rockport our future home. It appears to be a growing, enthusiastic, alive area. Mostly, I admire the fighting spirit of the people in the Rockport area. Noticed when the electric rates were to take a decided jump, the people "jumped" right in there with fighting opposition. And lately have been as concerned as your Rockport citizens have over the Houston Oil and Minerals Corporation plans to drill there. Rockport needs the HOMC like they "need another hole in the head" or another "hole in the ground" so to speak. It's plain to see, Rockport doesn't need HOMC and doesn't want them. And, as a future home owner of Rockport, I don't want you either, HOMC!.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Eugene Cowell
1049 Jackson St.
Pecatonica, Illinois

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This little advisory comes to all of the Winter Visitors in Rockport from a friend, and one who welcomes you to the community.

In Texas the speed limit on all highways in and around Rockport is 55 m.p.h. Many of us do not always obey that law and when we do break it we are the ones that would have to pay if stopped by the police. There has been some criticism of the Winter Visitors driving too slow--especially along the waterfront where it is dangerous to do so and to stop to look at the ducks without pulling off the road.

There is an unwritten law in this part of the state that when you are driving down the highway at the legal 55 speed limit and a car comes up from behind that you pull over onto the shoulder and led them pass. It is just Texas Courtesy which most of us practice.

We do want you to drive safely, we are glad you are here, and hope you enjoy your stay in our area.

I know many of you personally, therefore this special little advisory comes from a friend.

Sincerely,
"Uncle John" Leslie

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The Speaker Reports

AUSTIN--New legislators got a thorough glimpse as to the rules and procedures of the House and Senate during pre-Thanksgiving orientation at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs.

Since 1970 the school has sponsored the conference which this year drew more than 100 of the state's 181 legislators. There was an especially good turn out of House members-elect. Of the 36 freshman members, 34 were able to attend.

First day of the three-day pre-session conference was given over to discussion of the rules by the director of the Texas Legislative Council, Bob Johnson. Workshops throughout the afternoon gave new members an opportunity to gain firsthand knowledge of the workings of the legislative process.

After participating with these dedicated and hard-working men and women, I am convinced that they will be coming to Austin with a singleness of purpose, and that is to provide the people of their district with effective representation.

My feeling about the freshmen was reinforced after the general session for all members. At that time I had the opportunity to discuss some of the pertinent issues of the comming session with the group as a whole. I have the impression that many of us are in the same ballpark as to the issues which will in all likelihood have priority in the legislative session.

The conference also provided a forum for a fiscal and economic size-up of the state. Comptroller Bob Bullock confirmed what many of us had felt for a long time. We will have about $3 billion in umencumbered funds for the next biennium.

State Of The Region

By Juliet K. Wenger
Coastal Bend Council
Of Governments

Local governments and agencies of the Coastal Bend have filed applications with the Economic Development Administration for a total of $40,549,163 to finance 62 proposed projects in the region. Chairman J.M. Attaway of Aransas Pass said that the Coastal Bend Council of Governments has reviewed the applications and forwarded comments to the Austin office of EDA.

Attaway said that money to carry out the projects which are approved will come from a total of $55 million authorized for the entire state of Texas.

The Public Works Act of 1976 sets out guidelines for projects which would be eligible for funds allocated to help alleviate unemployment. One of the requirements is that the applicant must be ready to break ground on the job within 90 days after approval is received, to gain immediate advantage from employment.

In Austin, information on the projects proposed in all parts of Texas will be fed into a computer. Projects proposed in all the regions of Texas would cost $600 million. Attaway said it is obvious the competition will be stiff. The computer will show which projects rank highest according to established criteria.

A city, county or district receives a 30% credit for the larger number of unemployed living within the jurisdiction; a 25% credit for a higher rate of unemployment; 30% for labor intensity or the fact that most of the money will go for wages and salary rather than materials; and 15% for lower per capita income of residents of the political subdivision served. This income figure is established by the Bureau of Census for revenue sharing formulas.

Some of the applicants may receive a post Christmas present. Attaway explained that Dec. 26 is the deadline for the Economic Development Administration to notify successful competitors. The money will be dispersed by Feb. 2. It will be lost if the ground breaking deadline is not met.

The Nueces County Navigation District is asking for more money than any other single entity, $5,527,112 for five construction jobs. The City of Corpus Christi has applied for the largest number of projects, 20 totalling $5,436,590. The largest single project is proposed by the Taft Independent School District, a vocational complex costing $3,941,448.

The Consumer Alert

By John L. Hill
Attorney General

If you're among the many Texans who haven't finished Christmas shopping yet, you may be close to panic as you battle the crowds in stores and shopping centers to hunt for something "just right" at a reasonable price.

Our Consumer Protection Division attorneys say "panic buying" almost always results in later dissatisfaction--either with the product or with the price you had to pay for it.

It's still not too late to get organized, though. You may find that a few simple precautions can help to prevent mistakes that could cause you to start off the New Year in a department store exchange line. Or what's even worse, in line for an emergency loan to pay off debts.

The first and foremost step, say our attorneys, is to make a realistic decision about how much you can spend on remaining Christmas gifts. You should arrive at a total for all gifts and holiday expenses that is compatible with your budget--don't make financial commitments you cannot meet!

This means that if you charge purchases at several stores with extended payment plans, you must be able to meet the minimum required payments at each store, plus be able to meet your other monthly bills.

Next, make a list of everyone you need to shop for and allocate a certain amount to spend that will keep you within your budget. This will make shopping easier, since you can eliminate any gifts over that amount. Stick to your list when you shop; however, if you can't find an item or if you spot a good bargain on another, be flexible and take advantage of it. Just be sure it is a bargain.

If it's on sale, it may be marked "not returnable" or there may be a notice that "all sales are final." Even if an item isn't on sale, though, you should check the store's return policy before buying something that may need to be exchanged or returned later. Stores are not legally required to refund money, exchange merchandise, or accept returned goods for credit unless the item is defective or is not as represented.

If you find your gift list exceeds your funds, you may want to try cutting back a bit. Some families or groups of friends draw names for Christmas. Or you might like to make some simple gifts, if not too pressed for time. Talented cooks often give homemade holiday foods and special baked goods. This is a nice gesture, but if you're trying to save money, you should first figure up the cost of ingredients. Quite often, that delicious fruitcake may end up costing more (and taking much more time!) than a "store-bought" gift.

Our attorneys also suggest that you ask yourself some searching questions before setting out on a last-minute shopping spree. Your answers could spell the difference between a Christmas you'll enjoy remembering and one you'll try hard to forget.

--Is this a gift someone really needs or can use?

--Am I paying more than I can afford for a gift because someone "expects it"?

--Am I sacrificing quality for quantity in my buying?

--Will I end up paying double for a gift that I've charged when all the carrying charges are added?

--Will it take me until next Christmas to pay for this one?

--Will my Christmas spending mean my family and I have to do without some necessities during the New Year?

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September Bond Sales $3,258

September sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bond in Aransas county were reported this week by County Bond Chairman Fred Bracht. Sales for the nine-month period totaled $59,786 for 50% of the 1976 sales goal of $120,000.

Texas sales during the month amounted to $21,049,995, while sales for the first nine months of 1976 totaled $198,746,369 with 73% of the yearly sales goal of $272.4 million achieved.

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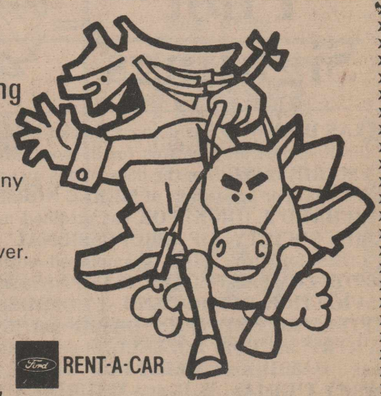
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Library News

Statistics for the month of November reflect an increase in the use of the library. Some 2,056 patrons visited the library, 67 of this number were registered tourists. 2,157 books, periodicals, films and albums circulated.

"What Really Happened to the Class of '65?" by Michael Medved and David Wallechinsky has been added to the collection. Time magazine selected the class of '65 at Palisades High School in suburban Los Angeles as an example of American youth "on the fringe of a golden era." Time believed that these affluent and sophisticated young people were the vanguard of a new and better age. Ten years later, thirty members of that same class describe their lives then and now, and what it was like to come of age in the 60's and 70's. The result is a social history of a generation--a history touched by humor, hope and pathos--and of the America in which it came of age.

Mrs. French Smith read stories from "Uncle Remus" to 29 children and adults at Story Hour Friday, Dec. 10. Story Hour is not scheduled this week due to conflicting events. The library thanks Mrs. Smith for this service to the community.

The library gratefully acknowledges donations and memorials from the following: Mr. Henry Hopkins, Robert McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Schmidt, Mrs. Roy L. Hart, Alice L. Moore, Mrs. William Blanton and Rotary contributions from Shelley Roaten, Jack Horton and Walter Clark, Jr.

BEST SELLERS
FICTION

SLEEPING MURDER, Agatha Christie.

TRINITY, Leon Uris.

STORM WARNING, Jack Higgins.

SLAPSTICK OR LONESOME NO MORE! Kurt Vonnegut.

TOUCH NOT THE CAT, Mary Stewart.

THE CRASH OF '79, Paul E. Erdman.

ORDINARY PEOPLE, Judith Guest.



ROTARIANS. The Rockport Rotary Club recently inducted four new members. Shown being welcomed by the club's vice-president, Mick Ladner, are, L to R, Perry Carter, the publisher of the Rockport Pilot and a former La Porte Rotary Club member; Mayor Walter S. Falk, Jr., honorary member; Jimmy Luigi, Director of Special Education for the Aransas County Independent School District; and John Kinsey, retired editor of the Rockport Pilot.

Rotary Club Elects 1977-78 Officers

Rockport Rotary Club officers and directors for the 1977-78 year were elected at a luncheon meeting of the civic club Dec. 8 at Sandollar restaurant. Mick Ladner was named president, Bill Janecek, vice-president; Steve Mahnke, secretary-treasurer; and Pat Daly, sergeant-at-arms. In addition to the officers, directors will be Jack Horton, Raulie Lee Irwin, Dave Crooks, Pat Farley, Bill Wilson and Bill Christian, retiring president of the club. The new officers and directors will take office July 1, 1977, the beginning of club year.

Rotarian Jerry Shaw, who has been active in the campaign to obtain emergency medical service for Aransas County reported on current status of the project, including selection of a paramedic to direct the operation and purchase of two ambulances.

A more complete report on the subject appears on page 1 of the Pilot.

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Home Owners Donate Funds To ACHVI

The Oak Terrace Property Owners' Association held it regular membership meeting Dec. 9 at the Peace Lutheran Church.

Dr. Martin Shaw and Peggy Bloch of the Aransas County Hospital Volunteers, Inc. were guest speakers, and gave a history of the corporation and its proposed emergency ambulance service for Rockport and Aransas County.

Following the presentations, the Property Owners donated a check to the organization, presented by Jim Steelhammer.

Original A&M "Twelfth Man" Dies

The man who began one of the most talked about "Aggie" legends died Tuesday, Dec. 7 in his Rockport home following a sudden illness.

Dr. Earl King Gill, 74, was a longtime Corpus Christi physician who moved to Rockport in 1970 after Hurricane Celia damaged his Corpus Christi home.

He is remembered throughout the state as the famous Texas A&M "Twelfth Man" because he was called out of the stand to fill in if needed during the January, 1922 "Dixie Bowl" football game in Dallas.

Since that day, members of the A&M Corps have stood throughout the game, symbolically ready to enter the game if needed.

Gill was on the basketball team at the time and was serving as a spotter in the press box when a rash of injuries left the A&M bench empty, and Coach Dana X. Bible called Gill down from the stands to suit up. He gave his clothes to an injured player in return for a uniform, and spent the second half on the sidelines, ready to play if needed. As it turned out, A&M won the game and Gill was not needed, but his willingness started a tradition of selfless spirit that serves the Aggie Corps, band and football team to this day.

Gill went on to earn eight letters in football, basketball and baseball at the university, and was inducted into the A&M Athletic Hall of Fame.

In 1941, a song called "The Twelfth Man," based on Gill's deed, was accepted as the A&M school song.

Gill graduated in 1924 with a degree in engineering, coached a year, and then entered the Baylor College of Medicine. He began his medical practice in San Antonio in 1929 and moved to Corpus Christi in 1935.

Rockport Fire Department Elects Officers

The Rockport Volunteer Fire Department elected new officers at its regular business meeting held Dec. 2.

Gilbert Hill, Sr., was chosen chief. Outgoing Chief Johnny Ray was named assistant chief. J.C. Gurley was selected treasurer, Ronnie Roberts secretary, Buc Davis sergeant-at-arms, and Les Crawford and Elmer Redden, chaplains.

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County Tackles Drainage Problems

Commissioners' Court dealt with a variety of "people problems" Wednesday, Dec. 8 in regular session.

Disgruntled homeowners on Shaffer, Lee and Avenue A between Rockport and Aransas Pass told commissioners rains had made the streets into mudslides in recent weeks, and complained of getting stuck in the potholes and washes while trying to get to work or take their kids to school. One woman told commissioners she had been shovelling a small drainage ditch several mornings in a row in order to allow her daughter to reach her bus stop.

Commissioner Erie Eller, Precinct 1, told the homeowners he would do everything he could when the rain stopped, but that it would be useless to try and repair the roads until the standing water dried up and the weather broke. Commissioners Raymond Owens, Charlie Hale and Ray Longino also pledged their help when the weather cleared. Repairs will include the laying of drainage pipe in critical areas, and fill-work on road spots with oyster shell, or some other effective material.

In a related action, commissioners rented a 14-foot blade motor grader from Anderson Machine which will allow them to begin additional road work immediately when the weather clears. The rental price was $300 per month, and County Judge John Wendell told the court funds might be available to purchase the machine when the next revenue sharing check arrived.

Captain William Donnell, who owns "Captain Billy's" restaurant on Fulton Beach Road, came before commissioners with a request to expand his sewage system.

Donnell was threatened with closure by the state health department because his system, constructed before the present guidelines were made law in 1945, is in violation of several minor state regulations, most regarding distances between the water and property lines, and between the system and the building foundation.

Commissioners approved on a trial basis Donnell's request to raise the effective level of his septic tank 14 inches, giving him what he feels will be a safety margin. Complaints had been lodged against the restaurant several weeks ago when sewage from the tank ran out onto the ground, across the road and into the bay.

Since then, Donnell cut his water consumption from 1500 to 300 gallons per day, cleaned the lines and otherwise complied with or exceeded regulations. He told the court he would appear before Navigation District Commissioners the following week to request permission to install field drainage lines which would further increase his capacity.

In other business, the court:

--Approved a request by Dennis Land of Palm Village to install a six-inch forced water main between the subdivision and lift station number six in Rockport.

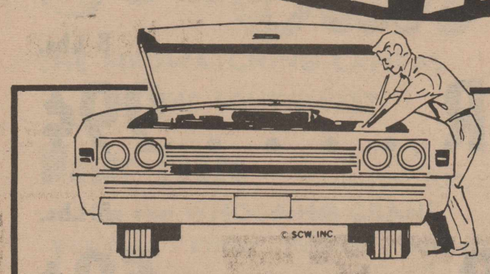
--Closed the compactor station on Sundays.

--Asked a representative from Blue Cross-Blue Shield Insurance to write several proposals for county hospitalization insurance. The representative told the county their present plan was excellent except for an outmoded room rate of $25 per day. Costs now vary from $50 to $75, and the representative said he would include in his proposals provision for 100 percent payment with now stated dollar amount.

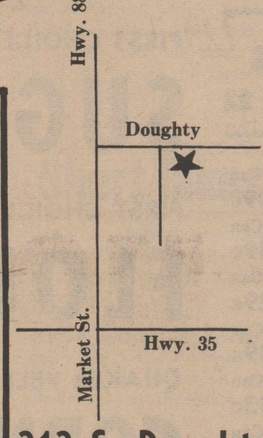
--Drafted a letter to the State Welfare Department asking it to seek payment of a hospital bill for care of a child from the child's father. County Sheriff's Department deputies found the dirty, undernourished child under a house recently and sent him to Lyman-Roberts Hospital. The bill for his stay was $346. The Welfare Department had requested that the county pay the bill. Sheriff Bob Hewes told the court the child's father was capable of working and should be required to pay.

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John Coats, Local Sailing, Tennis Enthusiast, Dies

John E. Coats died Tuesday afternoon in a Corpus Christi hospital.

He was 76, and a resident of Fulton for the past 18 years. He was a member of the Scottish Rite, and a 32nd degree Mason. He was a veteran of WWII with the U.S. Navy.

Coats' lifelong hobbies were sailing and tennis. He owned the ocean-going yawl, "Silhouette," which he largely built himself, from selection of its timbers and planking to painting and varnishing the superstructure. He was considered one of the best "blue water" sailors in this area, and with Mrs. Coats made a number od cruises to and from Florida. In the course of one such trip he brought the "Silhouette" safely through the hurricane that devastated the Biloxi, Mississippi coastal area several years ago.

An active tennis player for more than half a century, Coats played in tournaments throughout the country as a representative of the U.S. Navy. During his tennis career he played against most of the nationally ranked players of the twenties and thirties. For several years he was singles champion of the Navy.

In recent years Coats was active in encouraging beginners to take up the game. Several members of the current Rockport-Fulton High School tennis team received their early training in the fundamentals of the game from him. Although in his middle seventies, Coats played most of the local tennis tournaments until early this year.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Coats, Fulton; five sons, John Ellis Coats, Jr., Clairmont, California, Clarence Ernest Coats, Whittier, California, Dr. David Alexander Coats, Tyler, Texas, Jon Byron Coats, Brenham, Texas, James Lawrence Coats, Tehran, Iran; one brother, James C. Coats, Shreveport, Louisiana; three sisters, Mary Elizabeth Ross, Shreveport, Louisiana, Marjorie Johnson, Washington, D.C., and Janie Warren, Refugio, Texas; four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at the Marshall Funeral Home Chapel in Rockport with Rev. John Bradshaw officiating. Interment followed at Fulton Cemetery.

Samantha READS YOUR STARS

If you were born this week: *You are sensitive and take life seriously. Being somewhat shy and reserved, you often keep your true feelings to yourself. You have enormous strength of character and a definite ethical code. You are ambitious and once you decide to do something, there's no stopping you!*

ARIES (3/21-4/19): For some reason, Aries, you like to picture yourself as the strong, silent type. You therefore tend to view displays of affection as sentimental nonsense. Rubbish! You know, deep down, they're everything but! This week your lovin' heart shows, and the result is pure joy!

TAURUS (4/20-5/20): You like to remain in the thick of things, Taurus. This week you take a step back and, instead of falling off a cliff, you gain much-needed perspective. Hurrah! Then, cosy duet in front of Yule log. Hummmmmm!

GEMINI (5/21-6/20): Are you playing Miss Independence to prove an intellectual point or because you really feel that way? Think hard and be honest, Gem, if you care about the relationship. Other person is not impressed by mental games! An unexpected gift and a warm embrace put stars in your eyes!

MOONCHILD (6/21-7/22): Opposites attract, Moonbaby, and this week there's no denyin' that romantic pull. Surrender and go for a merry romp around the holly bush! Later, print a P, for party, practical, and phooey!

LEO (7/23-8/22): Tend to business early, li'l lion, to give yourself ample time to roar! Play it cagey with one you wish to woo. Cool and casual oils the lock; save hot and heavy to turn the key! Pace-setting week closes with an over-flowing stocking and heart! Have a Happy, Leo!

VIRGO (8/23-9/22): Bless your dear little pessimistic heart, Virgo! You always expect switches and coal and are so surprised to receive sugarplums! Just for kicks, try optimism. That way you won't be shocked when you get goodies, dearest!

LIBRA (9/23-10/23): Preparations to make, Libby, and don't put 'em off! Look for important news and be prepared to act on it. Venus makes you an extravagant gift and week settles down with a sigh of contentment. Pax!

SCORPIO (10/24-11/22): Bells jingle and you approached on a number of matters, both business and pleasure. Fair dealing is vital to a domestic tangle. Latter days can fulfill your heart's desire and make a sexy wish come true!

SAGITTARIUS (11/23-12/21): You have the gift of knowing what's really important in this life. Just listen to that wee, tiny voice within you. This week you realize your treasure-house if full. Agenda also includes several social affairs, a family matter, and lots of romancin'!

CAPRICORN (12/12-1/19): You remind me of that reindeer named Rudolph, Cappy. Like him, you don't broadcast your talents, so it may take others a while to appreciate you. Once they do, though, they realize you shine like the sun! Happy Birthday!!!

AQUARIUS (1/20-2/19): An exciting week, Aquarius, so look your smashing best for it! If that means splurging a bit, do it. You and that special person are more than worth it! Later, grab your hat; important call sets you scurrying!

PISCES (2/20-3/30): You'll probably always believe in Santa because you're one of the rare ones who knows his true meaning — the spirit of giving. You're a sort of Santa yourself, Pisces dear, and that's why you're such a treasure!

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James L. (Jim) Hall

James L. (Jim) Hall of Rockport died in Aransas Pass Saturday, Dec. 4.

He is survived by his wife Bessie of Rockport and out of town brothers and sisters.

Services were held at the Alamo Funeral Home in San Antonio Dec. 7 with Reverend Walter D. Clark, Jr., of St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Interment followed in Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio.

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COG Approves $5,000 For Council On Aging

Coastal Bend Council of Governments (COG) members approved a $211,941 application to the state for programs for the aging in its 12-county region at their regular monthly meeting Dec. 10 in Aransas Pass. Of the total, 40 percent, or $84,777, will be for the use of the Area Agency on Aging. Sixty percent, or $127,164, will be passed on to local governments.

Aransas County is one of two counties, the other being Refugio, which will receive the minimum allocation of $5,000.

The allocations were based on the total poor, minority and general elderly population of the participating counties. COG's formulations showed Aransas with a total of 529 elderly poor, 188 elderly members of minorities, and 1,770 general elderly for a total of 2,487, third smallest in the 12-county area.

The Aransas County Council on Aging currently maintains an in-town office and provides a number of services to area elderly, including transportation, assistance with forms and information requests, and a reassurance call network. The COG planning bulletin released with the fund approval notes that expansion of the current services and an in-town meeting center are "definite" needs.

COG members, including Mayor Walter Falk, also approved an overall budget for 1977 totalling $1,054,133, down from last year's $1.6 million budget. The decline reflects a modest drop in operating expenditures due to a staff reduction, and a decline of almost $600,000 in pass-through expenditures of money from state and federal governments.

The application which was not acted on drew the most fire at the meeting, hosted by outgoing COG Chairman J.M. Attaway, mayor of Aransas Pass.

Family Counseling Services of Corpus Christi submitted an application for $32,537 from the Texas Council on Alcoholism. The request had already been approved by COG's Human Resources Development Council, but was opposed at the meeting by the Coastal Bend Council on Alcoholism, which has state authority to oversee local alcoholism programs.

Members of the Council on Alcoholism board stated that the family counseling service would duplicate existing programs, that the program has not been jointly planned with other agencies, and was not listed in priorities set by the Alcoholism Council.

The Family Counseling Service withdrew its proposal in light of the criticism, saying it would redraw the request with greater input from the Alcoholism Council, and come before COG again at a later date.

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RockportGets Plumbing Company

Rockport's newest plumber is Albert Montez, 25, formerly of Corpus Christi. He has formed a partnership with local contractor Chuck Vermillion, and the result is V&G Plumbing, round the clock, full service plumbing company.

Montez will be on call from the offices in the Vermillion Construction headquarters in Fulton, and will be available for all types of plumbing work, including installation of appliances, contractual services, remodelling and drain cleaning.

V&G also provides a roto-rooter service for customers, with a maximum cleaning reach of 150 feet.

Montez is married, has a baby girl, and has been in the area for three months, and in business as V&G plumbing for less than one month.

Both Vermillion and Montez share the belief that because of recent growth the city is ready for such a service, and say they hope to provide first class work for fair prices.

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Presbyterian Circle II Announces Christmas Party, Plans Projects

Nineteen members of the Circle One of the First Presbyterian Church met Dec. 9 and were called to order by Sara Bates in the absence of Chairman Gertrude Mills. Gertrude Chambers and Jo Ison were cohostesses for the meeting.

Agnes Reasor opened the meeting with the Least Coin Meditation, and it was announced after the secretary and treasurer's reports that 11 members are subscribing to "These Days," the daily devotional.

Gifts were collected for presentation to residents of the Aransas Pass Nursing Home. Plans were also made to donate food to the family of John Coats of Rockport, who was recently deceased. Jeanette Stalker was named to purchase, prepare and deliver meat to the Coats' home.

Members were reminded of the annual Christmas party, set for Dec. 16 in the home of Neva Jackson.

A motion was made and approved to send $25 to the Itaska Home.

Ozella Schleider reported November proceeds form the Castaways totalling $158.88, and showed the gift to be sent to Carolyn Ada Hopper in Port Lavaca.

It was announced that Fannie Atwood will host the January meeting at the Church with Jeanette Stalker as Moderator. Ms. Stalker will have the Feb. 19 meeting at her home.

The March 10 meeting will be hosted by Alyne Sheppard in her home.

Margaret Hight led the group in the continuing study of Ephesians.



Thinking Slim

BY JEAN NIDETCH

Do you get the same impression I do every holiday season — that there's something wrong if your engagement calendar isn't brim full?

The feeling I get from the media — magazines, television, newspapers — is that there simply shouldn't be room in my book for another cocktail party, another formal dinner, or another open house.

Well, that may be true for some people, but I have a suspicion that many of us aren't running from one affair to another all the time. I know I don't, and I'm not all too sure I miss that kind of pace, in all honesty.

Of course, there have been years when I did seem to be on a continual round of party going, but as often as not, I stayed close to home with dear friends and family. And I had a lovely time of it all.

I'm bringing this up because I think it's possible to feel just a little left out of things during the holiday season, and for someone on a weight control program, that can spell trouble.

It can mean giving in to the temptation to fill in the empty spaces with lots and lots of food which, in the final analysis, only makes you feel that much worse.

So I think it's important to keep a couple of things in mind at this time of the year if, like me, you have some blank pages in your book.

First of all, don't forget that all those beautiful people at those beautiful parties you're seeing in magazines and on television are paid actors! They're trying to generate interest in a product: a dress, a piece of jewelry, even a bottle of champagne.

But even more important is to remember that it simply isn't true that the whole world is partying.

I know one movie star (and you wouldn't believe it if I gave you her name!) who once complained that she never got invited anywhere because people always assumed she was busy.

So don't feel blue if you seem to have more time on your hands than you'd like this holiday season — you're not alone. In fact, if you were to call a couple of people, you'd probably find them in the same situation!

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AARP Holds Card Party

Some 65 persons were on hand Dec. 9 at the Paws and Taws Building for the weekly AARP card party.

Hostesses for the party were Lorene King, Ellen Vernon, Leone Allen and Francis Tait.

In the ladies' bridge, Iva Nell Murphy was the high point winner and La Rue Nollan runner-up. In men's bridge, Gordon Cougar was the winner and Casey Edmiston the runner-up.

In ladies' canasta, Juanita Wright was first and Lorene Russell second. Bob Rowfe was first in men's canasta.

The bingo prize for the afternoon was won by Evelyn Moore.

The next party will be held Dec. 16. Starting time is 1:15 p.m.

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Anniversary Announced

T.H. (Casey) and Goldie Edmiston will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Dec. 15. The couple has three daughters, Gwynedd Atkins of Houston, Theda Edmiston of Richmond State School for the Retarded and Becky Blair of Spring, Texas. The couple also has three grandchildren, Jonna Gayle Atkins, Gary and Glen Blair.

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160 Attend AARP Dance

Approximately 160 persons attended the AARP dance Dec. 9 at the Paws and Taws Building on Fulton Beach Road. Gene Rickles provided a variety of dance music, and women from the Woody Acres Trailer Camp furnished the refreshments. The hall was decorated by various groups who have used it recently.

The next regular dance is scheduled for Jan. 13.

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Just One

Caddying is about the only business in which it pays to be left holding the bag.

-Journal, Milwaukee.

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The Rockport Pilot

Women's News

WOMEN'S NEWS DEADLINE, 5 p.m. THURSDAYS

Ballards Win December Yard Of Month Award

The December Yard of the Month award was given to Mr. and Mrs. James Ballard at 300 N. Laurel. The yard is very well planned for easy care with a variety of evergreens and trees on all four sides. A large Orchid tree shades one side of the front yard, a Ratama tree the other side. Many pot plants adorn the front porch, including the Bleeding Heart plant (Dicentra spectabilis), Ruffle fern plant, variegated Geranium plant, and a Cocoa plant. Buford Holly shrubs are on each side of the porch with a border of spider lilies on one side and Natal Plum on the other with two Ternstromia Japonica.

The left side of the house is lined with Viburnum, Mockorange, Loquat, large Pyracantha, and two wax leaf Ligustrum. Small pot plants of Oxlas, Geranium, Brazilian Pepper Tree, and Dracena are on the side patio with a trailing Honeysuckle vine covering the trellis. Several Oleanders line the side and back yard along with two small Tallow trees.

A Clematis vine is growing on the right side fence, which leads to the Scottish Broom tree, several Lilies, a split leaf Philodendron, Viburnum, and a Camphor tree brought to the Ballards from Beaumont. The Ballards enjoy doing their own yard work.

The Yard of the Month award is given by the Rockport Home & Garden Club each month. Any suggestions for future awards would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs. Donald Meek-729-6178 or Mrs. Thomas Rogers-729-6515.

Nurses Attend Conference

Mrs. Maurine Denniston and Mrs. Olivia Hayes, both retired nurses who live in Rockport, attended a two-day conference on the subject "Rural Health in South Texas, Its Complications and Its Cures." The women brought back voluminous notes and information for citizens interested in county rural health care.

Home And Garden Club Names 1977 Nominating Committee

The Rockport Home and Garden Club met Dec. 9 in the home of Mrs. Joe E. Meyer with Mrs. J.M. Shellenbergar as co-hostess. Christmas decorations adorned the serving table and the house.

Members and guests were served refreshments during the fellowship hour that opened the meeting.

Guests Mrs. Ed Janota and Mrs. O.C. Bailey were introduced to new members Mrs. W.S. Blanton, Mrs. Otto Brueggeman, Mrs. George Duggan and Mrs. Wesley Muecke.

A nominating committee was appointed by the president for the 1977-78 officers. The committee will report at the next meeting.

The club voted to send a contribution to World Gardening and to Texas Garden Clubs, District VII Scholarship Fund.

The program was presented by Mrs. Gene Garcia, who showed samples of Christmas Holiday decorations. Materials she used are easily available, and she added interest with a recreation of the Mexican legend of the poinsettia and how it came to be called the Christmas flower after a small boy gave the leaves as a gift.

Camping Family Style

BY ANGELA AND FORD BOTHWELL

Random camping thoughts:

What emergency items should a recreational vehicle driver carry as standard equipment? A state trooper friend wouldn't venture onto the highway in his personal RV without the following: jack and lug wrench, flashlight, several flares, battery jumper cables, spare fan belt, small set of tools (including pliers, screwdrivers and adjustable wrench), dry chemical fire extinguisher, electrical tape and wire, blanket for cold weather, coat hangers for emergency repairs and a white cloth for a distress signal.

Not a bad list, but we'd add one vital item — extra fuses. Particularly if pulling a trailer, because it's not uncommon for "trailer drain" on your electrical system to occasionally blow a fuse for such things as tail lights (easily fixed if you have a spare fuse).

A sewing awl is an inexpensive item that can make canvas repairs, particularly in hard-to-get-at places, and it also comes in handy for sewing belts, shoes and other leather pieces of gear. Also available are heavy curved needles to use with waxed and nylon thread. If you have a specialty item that needs fixing, remember you can buy kits that will repair or replace just about everything — canvas grommets, snaps and fasteners on clothing and gear, tent screening and doors, plus heavy duty zippers of all kinds. Check your camping store for the kit that will do your problem repair.

Look for more and more sliding doors on cars and RVs of the future, instead of conventional ones that open out. In fact, one company (GM) is heavily into research to reduce the cost of such sliding door mechanisms. They'll sure eliminate a lot of dents in parking lots, not to mention campgrounds, where you're invariably banging the door of an RV into the nearest available tree.

Speaking of vehicle improvements that benefit campers, we hope the inventor of swingaways were available, we hate to think of how many wooded campground lanes we had to avoid because the mirrors sticking out each side of our RV wouldn't clear the trees.

Christmas

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United Methodist Women Contribute To Learning, Concern Centers

The United Methodist Women contributed $300 to three area organizations, the Concern Center, the ABC Learning Center and the Laredo, Texas Holding Institue, in their regular meeting Dec. 7 in the church.

The women also announced that Reverend Boyd Harris will hold an installation service for United Methodist Women officers at the church service Dec. 12, and that the church Christmas program has been set for Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. W.M. Muecke was honored during the meeting with a special membership pin and certificate in appreciation for her contributions to the church and community.

Mrs. John Hancock, the outgoing president who presided over the meeting, expressed to members her pleasure in serving the past year.

The meeting program, presented with Christmas spirit, was entitled "Christmas Smorgasbord." Mrs. McCague played the piano, opening with a Christmas carol prelude. Mrs. Young presented "A Legend of Christmas," Christmas prayer and call to worship. Mrs. DeVoe, assisted by Mrs. Muecke, presented the "Meaning of Christmas." Christmas affirmation of faith was led by Mrs. Allemang and Mrs. Sorem read the scripture Luke 2 through 20. Hymns were sung and Reverend Harris prayed the benediction and blessing.

A covered dish luncheon followed for the 32 members present.

It was announced in closing that an executive committee meeting has been set for Jan. 5 and the next general meeting for Jan. 11.

Kam Heinshon Honored With Bridal Shower At Peace Lutheran

Miss Kam Heinshon, brideelect of Mr. Scott Waggert of Austin, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday, Dec. 4.

The shower was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Peace Lutheran Church of Rockport. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Mary Lou Ashley, Mrs. Penny Baldwin, Mrs. Susan Compton, Mrs. Jo Ann Carroll, Mrs. Becky Merritt and Mrs. Betty Thompson.

Cake, coffee and punch were served to approximately 30 guests. Out of town guests included Mrs. Jack Gideon, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Lynn Lang, Portland; Miss Linda Ballou, Ingleside; and Mrs. Eva Robertson, Mrs. Carries Smith and Mrs. Della Mae Baylor, all of Odem. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Baylor were Kam's second and third grade teachers, respectively.

Miss Heinshon is a graduate of Rockport-Fulton High School and Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches. She is now teaching sixth grade in the Austin School District and working on her Master's degree at the University of Texas.

Scott Waggert is an electrical engineer for IBM in Austin.

Circle II Plans Gift Presentation, Party

Circle II of the First Presbyterian Church met Dec. 9 with 13 members present. Hostess for the meeting was Margaret Hight.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of $32.79. Lorraine Winkler noted a check for $5 from Trulie Edler had been received for gifts to the nursing home along with a bill for $2 to cover cleaning aids for the church. Contributions for the month totalled $14.25.

The Circle planned to furnish vegetables and salad to the family of John Coats, recently deceased.

Gifts were collected from all members for presentation to residents of the Aransas Pass Nursing Hme Dec. 16.

A Christmas party for all Circle groups will be held at Neva Jackson's home Dec. 16 at 2:30 p.m.

In new business, it was agreed to change the time of the circle meeting from 3 p.m. to 2 p.m.

The meeting program was presented by Lily Fahr, whose lesson concerned God's love for us and our love for others.

The January meeting, it was announced, will be held in the home of Eloise Young, with Lil Cox as moderator.

County Woman's Club Holds Card Party

The Woman's Club of Aransas County held its weekly card party Monday, Dec. 13. The hostesses were Mrs. A.G. Glenn of South Fork, Colorado, Mrs. Dale Jordan of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Grover Traylor of Rockport.

Mrs. W.G. Barnes and Mrs. Chris Kofod, members of the club, presided at the tea service.

The centerpiece carried out the holiday motif with a musical Santa and his gifts beneath a northern pine tree.

First in bridge was Mrs. Frank Harrington of DeWitt, Iowa; and second, Mrs. Henry Camehl of Rockport.

In canasta, high was Mrs. Roy Wright of Ada, Oklahoma. Second was Mrs. Bob Rowse of Lebanon, South Dakota.

The finale prize went to Mrs. Tom Davison of Ontario, Canada.

Church Women Pray For Missionaries

The women of the First Baptist Church met Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the church for their regular program.

Mrs. Truett Roach, president, was in charge of the meeting, which opened with the song "Joy to the World."

The lesson topic was "Pray Without Ceasing." Prayers were made by the women for missionaries whose names appear in the church "Calendar of Prayer."

Program presentations included discussions by Mrs. Walter Leach, Indonesia; Mrs. Joyce Billings, Nigeria; Mrs. Charles Fake, Nigeria; Mrs. B.M. Taylor, Argentina and Spain; and Mrs. Art Cox, the island of Guadalupe.

After the closing prayer, 14 women enjoyed a covered dish luncheon shared with men currently working on church construction projects.

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Revealing Refugio County History

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"They were the aristocrats of their time," says Mrs. Katharine Henkel, 34 Nassau, Key Allegro, who has, with Refugio artist Bobbye Warrick, created SKETCHES OF REFUGIO, a new book which preserves through art and story telling the history and grandeur of early Refugio County homes. "But that needs to be qualified," she adds. "They were the descendents of pioneers who came to the land when it was a primitive wilderness. And they were the survivors, the successful ones, first in cattle, then in the oil industry. And they took care of all the peopple--Refugio County is unique in that respect. The landowners were wise in management of not only land but people. They made land surveys, provided medical services..built churches...started schools..."

Mrs. Henkel, the wife of recently retired Refugio County Press publisher C.M. Henkel, Jr., was born in a 200 yar old family home in Timonium, Baltimore County, Maryland. Her grandmother's stories of family history roused an interest that continued all her life.

When she and her husband moved to Refugio in 1963, she began a series of stories on old Refugio homesteads and the family histories of the occupants past and present.

At approximately the same time, Mrs. Bobbye Warrick, in charge of art at the Refugio School District, began to paint portraits of the old homes, both out of a personal and professional interest in their history and preservation, and as part of a commission by Refugio Savings and Loan for a series of paintings which now hang in the company boardroom, which sits atop the former site of the old Lambert House, home of one of the county's founders.

The two continued on their separate courses until 1973, when Mrs. Warrick finally confronted Mrs. Henkel and suggested the two do a book together.

They spent three years in additional research on the project. "We almost gave it up a number of times," says Mrs. Warrick, "With a family to raise and both of us working, it was almost too much some times."

What kept them going was the lure of the histories, and the enthusiasm of the families they interviewed in their visits to the old family estates.

"We would both go to the house," recalls Mrs. Warrick. "Kitty would stay with the family and do her interview, and I would walk around the house and grounds, taking pictures and sketching. I think that was the greatest thrill, meeting the families and seeing the pride they took in their homes and history."

During the preparation of the volume, the women were referred to Tom Shelton, a relative of many of the first residents, and an assistant in a San Antonio architectural firm.

Shelton had many pictures of original residents, and of the majority of the old homes covered in the book. He was also a gold mine of information on the families, having been told a number of the family histories at the knee of various aunts, grandmothers and grandfathers.

The final pasteup on the project began Sept. 1, 1976, and the final printing was done recently by Clifton Grunewald Printing of Corpus Christi.

The book is of interest to Rockport residents for several reasons. The majority of the houses were built in one of three styles, vernacular Greek revival, Greek revival and victorian, by one of three Rockport based architects, Hugo Heldenfelds, Vigoo Kohler or George Strauch.

The communities had been close since the early settlement by Irish immigrants. Rockport was part of Refugio County until 1871 when the county was divided. Rockport claimed to be the Refugio County seat and tried to have the county records moved, but Refugio residents objected and petitioned the state legislature to prevent the removal. The legislature designated Refugio as the county seat, and made Rockport county seat of the portion that became Aransas County.

In that same year, the Wood family, whose history is included in the book, donated land for the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Rockport, and later contributed to the church building fund.

Another piece of evidence of the interrelationship between the two towns is the marker to James Power, the empressario who founded Refugio, on Highway 35 North before the Copano Causeway.

The books are currently on sale at The Bookstore in Rockport. The softcover edition is $8.95, the hardcover $13.95.



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Chamber Elects Nominating Committee

A nomination committee to recommend a slate of candidates for the 1977-78 Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors was selected Tuesday at a Chamber Board meeting held at the Little Bay Club.

The nominating committee is composed of the five outgoing board members, and is chaired by Dr. Martin Shaw. Other members are Richard Beck, Ed Ratliff, Bill Christian and John McDavid, Jr.

The committee will select 10 names to be placed on a ballot mailed to all chamber members Jan. 1. Five of the 10 will be selected, and will serve three-year terms beginning March 1, 1977.

The Chamber also appointed Bill Wilson to fill the unexpired term of board member David Connery, who resigned.

Mrs. Sylvia Berry was appointed by the Chamber to head the preparations for the annual Chamber banquet.

It was announced the Houston Chronicle has donated space to Rockport in the Houston Boat, Sports and Travel Show to be held Jan. 15-23. Curtis Goodman was named to round up a staff to hand out literature and answer questions on the Rockport area at the event.

George Miller was given charge of hanging the community Christmas decorations in Fulton and Rockport. The decorations included wreaths and a pair of giant Santas.

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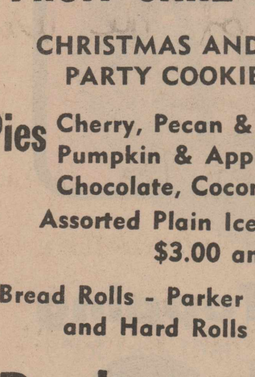
Telephone Directories Ready Jan. 17

Rockport telephone customers will be getting a new directory beginning Monday, Jan. 17.

Ron Maples, District Manager for Southwestern Bell, said delivery of the 1976 (1977) directory should be completed by Jan. 24.

Maples said this year's distribution of some 10,200 directories will be affected by the current nationwide paper shortage. "This year, most residential subscribers with more than one telephone will receive one directory. Business customers will receive their directories according to individual usage and demand."

Customers needing more directories may call the telephone business office after Jan. 24, when initial delivery is completed.

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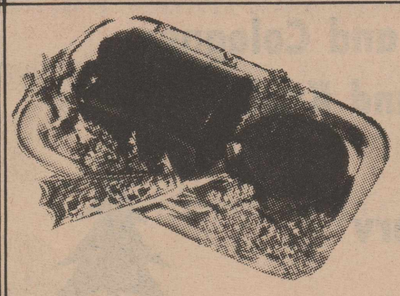
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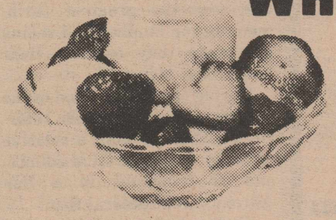
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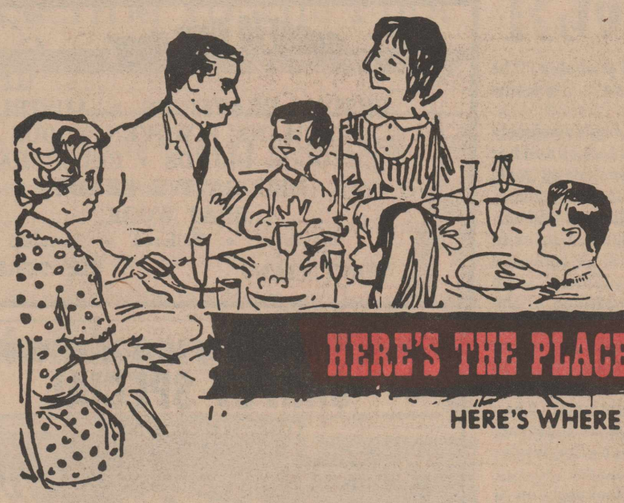


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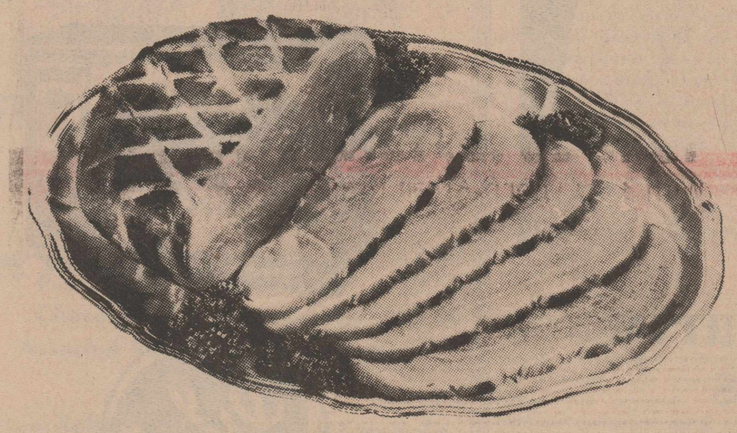


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Acteens Hold Party

The Acteens of the First Baptist Church of Rockport held a Christmas party Dec. 3.

Member girls brought gifts and exchanged them.

The group met again Dec. 13 to discuss Mission Studies and work in studioart. Members also read the "Prayer Calendar."

Romance Writer In Love With Rockport

Romance writer Janet Dailey is spending her second winter in Rockport with her husband Bill. The two have been travelling constantly since she sold her first novel and her husband sold his construction business and became her full time researcher and business agent.

Every morning Janet gets up at 4 a.m. to do exactly 10 pages, stopping in mid-sentence if it works that way. She's a pro, and the characters write themselves to a happy ending after she gives them a setting and a purpose, so she says it is never a problem to end a sentence that dangled the day before.

By noon, sometimes earlier, she is finished for the day. She can finish a book at that rate in less than 20 days, and for the past two years has averaged 10 a year.

Her husband Bill does the research, and spends several hours a day when the two are on location for one of the novels, taking notes on expected settings and making certain that the descriptions and the history, if any, ring true. No one in a Janet Dailey novel goes to a restaurant that doesn't exist, or shoots a rattlesnake in western Oregon.

If Bill thinks Janet should take a look at a scene to soak up the atmosphere or some unique quality or texture of a feeling, she usually knows its, too. "We have a great deal of mental telepathy," Janet says. She will go, and take the experience back to her characters.

The two stay on the road constantly for variety--what Janet calls the "constant flow of impressions and experiences." Their goal, now that her success and standing are assured, is to set at least one novel in each of the 50 states and the U.S. territories.

They have been through 18 states so far, and could conceivably finish in a few years. Janet is remarkably prolific. She began writing her first novel on her lunch hour while she was working at her husband's construction company in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The novel, which became the Harlequin best seller, "No Quarter Asked," was begun after Bill got tired of hearing her say she could do better than the Harlequin writers she was reading. He told her to "put up or shut up," and she did for a year and a half, agonizing over every word until Bill demanded that the book be sent to a publisher.

Janet was starting at the top with Harlequin, the world's largest romance publisher. After an anxious year, the first novel was accepted, and Janet's confidence and speed took quantum leaps. She has now written 22 novels, all accepted, and is finishing her 23rd while in Rockport.

Janet and the other Harlequin writers turn their manuscripts over to a formidable marketing machine, one which prints more than 100 titles a year to satisfy several million fans who form an entertainment subculture all their own. Harlequin even publishes an in-house magazine for Harlequin readers only, featuring short novels, women oriented features and autobiographies by Harlequin authoresses, including Janet.

Harlequin has so far published 18 of her 22 novels in all of the English speaking countries, and translated them into several foreign languages. Most have sold 700,000 or more copies.

"You can't describe a typical reader," Janet says. "They range from teenagers to ladies in their eighties, from doctors and nurses to housewives and teachers.

"They have in common a love of romance. There was a time when you could go to the movies and see a romantic love story. But now it's disasters, horror movies, everything but love stories. And romance never dies. Probably the best romantic movie is "Casablanca" with Humphrey Bogart, and there's a song in that whose lyrics say it best probably, 'The world will always welcome lovers.' "

Janet is as unselfconsiously romantic as her readers and her novels, and bases many male characters on her husband, whom she describes as "dominating. Adventurous. A lover of wide-open spaces. A romantic beneath a hard exterior....Too rugged to be handsome in the accepted sense of the word."

Their relationship has a firm center that reveals itself in easy laughter and the "telepathy" Janet mentioned. They handle the interviews together, slipping in and out effortlessly, keeping their balance.

They chose Rockport on a whim one day on their way to the valley, and stayed three months. They returned this year for another winter and say it is their favorite place in Texas because of the mild climate, the water and the scenery. And the people. They say they haven't met one unfriendly person since they've been in Rockport, and they probably won't find any.

"I'm an eternal optimist," Janet has written, and it goes for her husband as well. "When one door of opportunity closes, another one opens, so I'm always looking for that open door."

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Approximately 160 members and visitors assembled at the Paws and Taws Building Dec. 8 for the annual AARP Christmas party.

At the business meeting which followed the social hour, Bill Petroskey and Velma Ramsey were elected to the nominating committee, and new club officers were installed by Brigadier General Jim Anderson of Corpus Christi, the Assistant Director of Area 7.

Following the installation, the Lifetime Learning Chairman, Mrs. Helen McCague, announced that Spanish and Bridge Classes would start in January, and that a knitting class is already underway. Other classes may be added if enough interest is shown, Mrs. McCague added.

Outgoing President John Leslie honored Mrs. Neva Sorenson with a small gift and read a letter thanking her for the service she has rendered to the AARP since its inception, including her work in obtaining volunteers for the Concern Center.

Mrs. Sorenson announced she was having a Workshop and Party for her former volunteers and future workers at the IOOF Hall Friday, Dec. 17 at 4:15 p.m.

The meeting was interrupted at that point by the entrance of Santa Claus, who delivered the gifts brought by members for exchange.

The meeting ended with a performance by the Rockport-Fulton High School choir under the direction of "Buzz" Sanders.

The next meeting will be held Jan.12 at 9:30 a.m. and members are reminded to pay their dues for 1977.

Short Takes

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-Record, Columbia, S.C.

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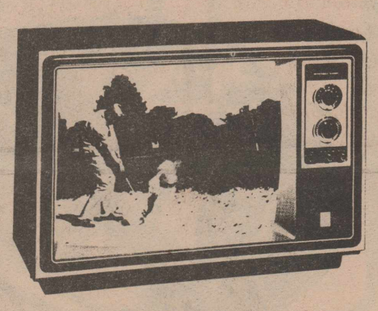
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2. Antiques

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3. Garage Sale

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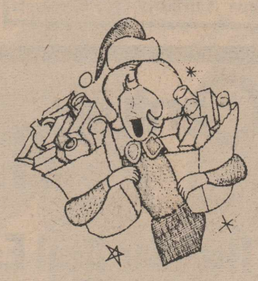
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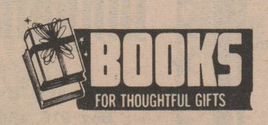
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31. Articles For Sale

WHOLESALE prices on Western jeans, shirts and jackets. 100% leather belts, $4.95 at Texas Floor Company's Western Warehouse, opposite Sandollar, Hwy. 35 N. ctf

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FULTON — 3 bdrm., 2 bath, CH&A $34,000.00

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31. Articles For Sale

NOW! Buy Wrangler shirts and jeans for Christmas from $6.95 to $7.95 at Texas Floor Co. Western Warehouse. Opposite Sandollar, Hwy. 35 N. ctf

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FOR SALE: WEDDING DRESS, size 8. Cost $135. Will take $75. Phone 729-6320. p40

351 WINCHESTER, Collector's Item, $200; 1967 Dodge convertible, $700, good condition; Fender Guitar and amplifier, $200. 729-6213 after 6 p.m. p40

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FROST FREE refrigerator for sale. Phone 729-0051. p40

Damaged MORGAN 10x12 heavy duty storage building. Terms. Free delivery. Next to K-Mart. 854-0234 c40

SPECIAL SALE: Armstrong vinyl, $2.95 & $4.95 per sq. yd. Cash & carry. Texas Floor Co. opposite Sandollar on Hwy. 35 N. Compare our prices. ctf

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FOR SALE: Macrame cord, fleece lined denim jackets, dress jackets, flight jackets, sweat shirts, chest waders, hip boots; car, jeep and truck gun racks, rainsuits. Tuf-nut 100% cotton pants, shirts and denim overalls, Walls coveralls. Buck Puma, Queen and Panther knives. Santa Rosa work boots, air mattresses, rubber foam, foot lockers, tarpaulins, life preservers, sleeping bags, deck shoes, Hanes underwear, used shirts and pants, mosquito netting, Maverick jeans and shirts, belt and holster sets. Little League and track shoes, tent poles and stakes, hunting vests camouflaged hats, camouflaged coveralls, insulated coveralls. The Army Store, 438 S. Commercial St., Aransas Pass, Texas ctf

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31. Articles For Sale

TWO TWIN SETS, box springs and mattresses, never been used, $140; square coffee table, $15; two piece Rock Maple hutch, $400. 2203 Cape Ann, 729-0148. c40

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33. Sporting Goods

14 FT. BOSTON WHALER: Center steering, 55 h.p. Chrysler engine, electric start with trailer, $2,000; 15 ft. Glastron with 25 h.p. Evinrude and trailer, $650; 18 ft. Monark flatbottom boat with cabin, and 1972 50 h.p. Johnson electric start, electric shift, power tilt with trailer, $2,500. See at 146 Port Ave., Palm Harbor. 729-2731 or 729-1854. p40

18 H.P. EVINRUDE, 35 h.p. Evinrude. Both excellent running condition. 729-5124. p40

39. Business Opportunity

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

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42. Acreage Sale

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

45. Lots For Sale

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

LOT FOR SALE: 50x120. Excellent for travel trailer or mobile home. 5 blocks to bay. 100 N. 7th, Fulton. 729-1610. ctf

2 NICE LOTS: Brush cleared, lots of nice oak trees, high ground. Gas and electricity in, water available. 2 blocks west of Hiway 25 and KOA, between Lamar and Corpus Christi St. See me at mobile home with attached patio, just west of lots or write Box 593, Rockport. p41

47. House For Sale

FOR SALE by Owner: Beautiful home with many extras. Separate guest quarters, ideal location, $65,000. 1409 Shadyside Dr. Will consider trade of house or travel trailer for part equity. Shown by appointment. Call 729-6760. ctf

NEW: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, Rockport, close to bay and all shopping. Carpet, central heat and air, refrigerator and range. $18,300. OWNER. 729-7715. c41

COPANO BAY RETREAT: New Subdivision, 2 acres or more on beautiful Copano Bay. Some with waterfrontage, street paved, electricity available. Restriction, low down payments. 10 years financing available. Hurry up, they won't last long at that price. Jacques Valley Real Estate, 1-937-4810. p46

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Fulton. 2⅛ acres with large comfortable home, needs some finishing, $28,500.

Neat cottage with separate garage, corner lot in Fulton, trees, also extra hook-up for trailer, bargain at $12,500.

3-BR, 2-bath, brick, 100-125 tract, beautiful yard, trees, $29,500.

Copano Ridge. Furnished, pier, concrete bulkheaded bayfront lot, double garage downstairs, $35,000. Others, all distinctly different, on channel lots, quick access to bay, $38,500 to $49,500.

Copano Cove. 6 distinct styles, including large 2-story with fireplace, over 2,200 sq. ft. plus garage, duplex on stilts, brick-veneer, cedar stilt (new), $24,900 to $49,500.

Oak Terrace and West Terrace. New and resales, brick, 3-BR, 2 bath, $29,500 to $49,500.

Mobile homes, various locations, $12,000, $14,500, $18,500, $20,000.

80x300 tract with view of bay, concrete block house, only $15,000. Entire tract, including another cottage, bayfront, pier, $40,000.

Channel and bayfront lots from $2,500 up. Residential lots in Oak Terrace, the only subdivision in Aransas County restricted to brick homes.

Many other listings to choose from

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47. Houses For Sale

1004 PINE, Rockport, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious brick home and 3 corner lots. Attached garage, central heat and air. For sale by owner, $36,000. 729-1835. p40

FOR SALE OR TRADE: In Sinton, 6 bedrooms, two bath on corner lot, fenced back yard. $10,500 or trade for property in Rockport. 729-2350. p42

48. Mobile Homes

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8x35 MOBILE HOME for sale. All metal, good condition. Contact Monroe's Surplus, 501 Liberty, 729-5173. c40

2 BEDROOM Mobile Home For Rent. Prefer Couple. 729-7137. p41

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49. Trailers, Travel

FOR SALE: 1972 Airstream 27' travel trailer. Fully equipped with many extras. Excellent condition. $9,500. Palo Alto Trailer Park. 729-5454. c40

1972 HOLIDAY Rambler 31 foot travel trailer. Excellent condition. All extras $7200. Call Dave Barclay, Seguin, 1-379-0619. c40

20 FT. LAYTON Trailer for sale. South City Limits Trailer Park. 729-8585. p41

52. Trucks

1972 FORD LTD Station Wagon. Full power, air. New tires and battery. $1700. 729-1419. c40

FOR SALE: 1969 Jeep, 4-wheel drive half-ton pickup, mechanically good, good tires. 729-1302. $895. p40

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54. Automobile

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1976 CUTLASS S. Excellent condition, $5200. 729-7146. ctf

1975 MGB Convertible with low mileage. Excellent condition, $4500. 729-7146. ctf

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VW VAN: 1968, new radials, recent overhaul, fair body, $900. Call 729-6222. c41

1973 PLYMOUTH, $1250; 1970 Lincoln 4 dr., $1150. Must sell. 729-1159, 1 mile North 881, Trailer Park on Rowe Rd. p40

1971 MERCURY COMET, 4 dr., air and heater. New tires, new shocks, 54,000 miles. $1100. 729-5086. p40

DEALER DEMONSTRATOR—A real buy. 1976 Chevy Monza Town Coupe,. Red with white vinyl top. List $5,472. Can be bought for $4,460. Save over $1,000. To see, call 729-5717. p40

1969 FORD GALAXIE, $500, 1967 Ford Truck, $600, Bunk beds, $60 or best offer on all. 729-1654. p40

FOR SALE: 1972 Dodge Challenger, good condition, $2500 or best offer. 113 S. Kossuth, 729-0253. p40

4 DOOR, 1969 Pontiac Catalina, loaded. 400 engine, 2 bbl. See at 146 Port Ave., Palm Harbor. 729-2731 or 729-1854. p40

1971 CHEVROLET Kingswood Wagon, fully loaded. $750. Phone 729-2732. p40

55. Motorcycles

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Don't stay away from church because it attracts so many hypocrites; there's always room for one more.

-Dispatch, Kan.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the board of directors of ARANSAS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1, at a meeting held November 21, 1976, adopted the rules and regulations governing sewer house lines and sewer connections currently recommended by the Texas Water Rights Commission.

These rules were adopted for the purpose of preventing overloading of waste water treatment plants, preventing increased plumbing and waste water treatment costs, and preventing line failures and service disruptions.

The rules and regulations establish standards for service lines, connection of building sewer outlet to service lines, fittings and cleanouts, requirements for connection permit and type of flow and waste that is to be excluded.

Failure to adhere to said rules and regulations can result in a fine of $50.00 for each act of violation.

A full copy of the rules and regulations is on file at the district's office at Rockport, Texas.

These rules will be in full force and effect from and after 15 days from the passage date above.

S/Donald E. Gammon
President

ATTEST:
S/Robert M. Rogers
Secretary c40

It's a Boy!

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Moore, Jr., are proud to announce the birth of a son, Joseph Benjamin Moore, born Dec. 2 at 5:55 p.m. in Spohn Hospital, Corpus Christi. Joseph Benjamin weighed eight pounds, 11 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Moore, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wagner, both of Rockport.

Definition

Courtship; The art of helping a man discover for himself that he's going to marry you.

-Atlantic Reserve Fleet.

Obituary

Margaret Ellen Huffstutler

Mrs. Margaret Ellen Huffstutler, mother of Mrs. Harold S. (Mary Ellen) Christensen, Fulton, died Thursday, Dec. 9 in a Bartlesville, Oklahoma hospital.

She was 74.

Services were held Dec. 13 in the Dewey First Christian Church, with Mr. Paul Ensbit officiating. Interment followed in the Dewey Cemetery.

Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. Harold S. (Mary Ellen) Christensen, Fulton; two brothers, Raymond C. Graham, South Coffeyville, Oklahoma and Millard F. Graham, Panama City, Florida; two sisters, Mrs. Ernest C. (Dorothy May) Parket, Coffeyville, Kansas, and Mrs. Leonard C. (Mamie Beatrice) Greenwood, Bartlesville.

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An Old Process

Dehydrated potatoes sustained people in the Andes long before the first European had ever tasted the tubers. Potatoes were preserved by repeatedly squeezing out the water and exposing them to the sun and frost.

It's a Girl!

SSgt. and Mrs. Leopoldo B. Huerta are proud to announce the birth of their second daughter, Diana Huerta, at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C., Nov. 20, 1976. Diana weighed eight pounds and 15 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ignacio Reyes, Taft, and Mrs. Trinidad B. Huerta, Rockport, who went to Virginia for the birth.

In the Kitchen

FLANK STEAK, KOREAN STYLE

- 1½ pounds flank steak
- 1/4 cup sesame seed
- 1/4 cup corn oil
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 1/4 cup dark corn syrup
- 1 small onion, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

Remove tendons and trim steak. Score meat. Stir together sesame seed, corn oil, soy sauce, corn syrup, onion, garlic, pepper and ginger in shallow baking dish. Add steak and marinate in refrigerator, turning once, several hours or overnight. Broil steak about six inches from source of heat turning once, about 8 minutes or until cooked to desired doneness. Slice steak diagonally and serve immediately.

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Shawn Wendell

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Shawn Wendell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wendell of Rockport, has been selected as an All-Prep defensive tackle in the Virginia Preparatory League. Shawn is a junior and a second year letterman on the Woodberry Forest School Varsity in Woodberry Forest, Virginia. He has the honor of being the only junior selected for the All-Prep Team.

The Woodberry Forest Tigers finished an undefeated season, winning the Virginia Prep League with a 9-0 record. In the two years Shawn has been on the varsity the squad has an 18-1 record. His coach, Harry Caughron, was selected this year's "Coach of the Year" in Virginia.

In their final game, the Tigers defeated Episcopal High School of Alexandria, Va., 22-12. The game was the 76th consecutive meeting between the two clubs, the longest uninterrupted high school football rivalry in the United States. The teams met for the first time in 1900. Over 2,000 boys have participated through the years in the annual game and Woodberry leads the series with 37 wins, Episcopal 32 wins, and seven ties.

Shawn is also a letterman in the varsity lacrosse team and will be playing for the Tigers in the spring of 1977.

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Bowling News

Bowling at the Coatal Bend Lanes in Aransas Pass this week, Ray Wiggins led the men with a nice 226-213/633 while Bette Erickson led the women with high game of 209 and Joyce Close led the women in high series with a 539.

In the Monday night Strikers league, Ida Armstrong rolled a 200/507, Betty Keill had a 523 series and Virginia Morgan hit a 534 series. Mary Johnson bowled a 193 game, 62 pins over her average and Shirley McCullough had a 192 game, 53 pins over average. Echo Marine is still in first place.

In the Clubhouse 55 league, Jerry Dondeneau rolled a 206/506, Gene Hubbard hit a 193/537 and Avis Howery a 179/509. Doc Taylor rolled a 197 game, 69 pins over his average.

Joyce Close, bowling in the Coffee Time league, had a 200 game. Kelly's Drive In has moved to first place once again.

Ray Wiggins, bowling in the Men's Industrial league, rolled his 226-213/633. Most of the men seem to have been tuned in and turned on Wednesday night as they had the following games and series: Ed Setterbo 203/560, Al Untermeyer 559, W.C. Hood 550, Chink Kullman 535, Eddie Reissig 531, Lee Cobb 518, Warren Lee 518, Elgie Wingfield 518, Jimmy Rutherford 197 (62 pins over average)/512, Jay Sallis 512, Hal Berry 511, Denny Keeton 225/510, Don Williams 506 and Richard Howell 500. Virgil (Bo-Bo) Turner rolled a 200, 66 pins over average, and Loren Anderson hit 195, 56 pins over average. First place team belongs to City Net Shop.

In the Sundown league, Ray Wiggins rolled a 204-209/600, Jack Millen a 202/558, Buddy Galjour a 212/557, Abe Bedre a 549, Joyce Close a 539, John Blair a 534 and A.D. Hanke a 525. Bette Erickson rolled a 209/524, Ida Armstrong a 205/517, Charles Mills a 512, Hella Westbrook and Elsie Marshall 503's, and Linda Mastropole a 202/500. DuBose Drugs is in first place.

Ful-Rock League takes two weeks off after bowling Dec. 14. Its next game will be Jan. 4. Honey Do and You're Up are again tied for first. Al Gonzalez leads high handicapped series and game while Ray Wiggins leads high scratch series and game. Connie Garcia has high handicapped game and series for the women. Lee Gonzalez has high scratch series and Donna Price has high scratch game. Dec. 7 was split night.

Short Takes

Merchandising marvels: Is that the Easter bunny we see peeking out of Santa's toy sack?

After tasting our friend's apple pie — Old Fashion apple pie — we think she should stay off the sauce.

Camping Family Style

BY ANGELA AND FORD BOTHWELL

Our daughter Pam is away at college and, like all students, has to watch every cent. In a recent letter home, she wrote: "I bought 7 bars of soap for $1.00. I got a rash from it, and so, just as a lark, I wrote to the company, telling them. I also told them I really like their hand lotion.

"They sent me a letter explaining what's in the soap, that they've had only one complaint out of every 3 million bars sold, and sent me a check for $2.37, covering retail value of 7 bars of soap and postage for my letter. I was impressed (though I was hoping for some hand lotion). But by investing $1.13 and a week's worth of itching, I made $1.24 profit...

How many people go around "itching" — figuratively — after making a purchase with which they are unhappy? And how many do anything about it?

Do camping manufacturers listen when a camper complains? They have to, and here's why: most of them haven't been in business much longer than some of their customers have been camping. The camping boom didn't start in this country until the mid-50s and didn't really explode until the early 60s. The companies that sprang up to supply the camping demand are, in many ways, still learning themselves. Not listen to campers' suggestions? They can't afford not to.

If you buy a poor piece of camping gear, tell the company that produced it — whether you do it by returning it where you bought it, or by complaining to the salesman who sold it to you and demanding a refund, or by simply writing to the company directly, spelling out your dissatisfaction.

If a company manufactures a camping item that almost does the job — but not quite — write and tell them where it failed. Tell them how it could be made better.

If a company's advertising doesn't appeal to you, tell them. If you don't like the box they package their product in, tell them. If their instruction booklets don't make sense, tell them. And tell them you expect an answer.

There's no point complaining about a piece of camping gear you bought unless you complain first to the ones who might be most interested — the people who made it. Try it.

An "estuary" is where a river meets the sea, a meeting place for many interesting creatures. To learn about this phenomenon of nature, write: "Wildlife," Camping Family Style, c/o this newspaper. Ask for the free booklet "Estuary."

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FRESHMEN. The Rockport-Fulton High School girls' Freshmen basketball team is coached this year by Miss Susan Hartzell. Off to a slow start, the team should be on track Dec. 2 when it makes its first tournament appearance of the year in Calallen. Team members this year are, L to R, front row: Becky Glover, Patricia McDonnel, and Mamie Gonzales. Second row: Julie Hiller, Jean Flanagan, Susie Wells and Lisa Smith. Third row: Mollie Davis, LuCinda Hamon, Toni Maness, Julie Adams and Sandy Collins.

Fishin' School

By Jerry Starr

I once worked with a fellow who daily uttered the most little known facts about the most unheard of places. Everyone assumed he was so smart that his facts about the number of goats in Afghanistan or the reproductive cycles of the horse fly were just overflowing bits of knowledge from a well-filled brain. He had everyone awed as long as he was with that company. When he departed for "greener pastures," I inherited his desk and discovered his secret of vast knowledge. By arriving each morning a few minutes earlier than his colleagues he was able to pull his trusty almanac from his deak, underline and memorize a few passages of facts and figures, and thus quote profusely throughout the day. By reading this column you will soon be able to expound profusely on the little known facts of the local marine life.

Along the coastal waters of Texas live almost 100 different kinds of crabs. To name a few, there are stone crabs, hermit crabs, ghost crabs, fiddler crabs, pygmy gulf crabs, lady crabs and blue crabs. The crab, a crustacean (aquatic animal having no spine with jointed body and limbs and an external skeleton) is closely related to lobsters, shrimps, wood lice, water fleas, and barnacles. Commercially in the United States the crab is in third place preceded by the shrimp and lobster. Of all the crabs available the blue crab is the best known. Easily recognized, the blue crab has a dark green back, white belly and lower legs, and claws which are various shades of blue with the tips of the female's being red. The white abdominal flap or apron is also an indicator of sex. The male's is in the shape of an inverted T and the female's is much broader, even elliptical in shape. The blue crab obtains a width of greater than 7 inches, and has one pair of pinchers, 3 pair of walking legs and 1 pair of swimming legs.

In order to grow the crab must shed its hard outer shell and replace it with another from ¼ to ⅓ greater in width than the previous shell. The new shell forms under the old, hard shell; this is called the "peeler" stage. As the new shell grows the old one splits (the "buster" stage) and the crab backs out. Like a tank without armour the crab is very vulnerable during the two to three days it takes the shell to harden. The shell is called a "buckram" or "paper shell" in this soft stage. Normally, the crab seeks shelter and doesn't eat until the shell hardens. This molting process may occur as many as 20 times during the life of the crab. In the shedder or soft shell stage the crab is extremely popular as bait and as a table delicacy.

Should a crab lose a leg or pincher in a fight it can replace it. The process takes two or more molts.

The mating process of the crab occurs as the female sheds her hard shell and the male attaches himself atop the female using his pinchers and first pair of legs. During the female's soft shell stage the sperm are transferred to her and the male remains with her until her shell hardens. These sperm will fertilize all the eggs the female will produce in her remaining short lifetime.

The female leaves the shallow water for the lower bays and the Gulf to spawn which will occur in 2 to 9 months after mating. The female will die after spawning twice. The spawning season in Texas begins in December, peaks in the spring and summer and lasts until October.

The female will produce from ¾ to more than 2 million eggs and she will carry them beneath the apron for 14 days until they hatch. While she is carrying these eggs the female is known as a sponge crab, cushion crab or berry crab. The survival rate of these eggs is very low.

The hatched egg becomes a larvae and in a month these larvae grow to look like a crab. During this time they have migrated back to the estuaries where they will mature in 12 to 14 months.

The commercial value of the crab is approximately 10 million dollars in the U.S. and just less than 1 million dollars in Texas. Although the abundance of commercial crabs varies from year to year, normally Texans will harvest between 5½ and 8 million pounds.

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Outdoors 'n Things

By L.D. Nuckles

You don't need a boat to catch fish.

This time of year in South Texas it's not too difficult to find a place to fish from the bank or from a pier and catch fish. This applies to saltwater as well as freshwater fishing.

There is a pier in Lake Corpus Christi State Park where the fishermen are making respectable catches of crappie and catfish. The really hot fishing spot in that area, however, is in the Nueces River right below the dam. There are places to park on each side of the river and it's an easy walk in to good fishing areas. Thousands of crappie are being caught there.

Falcon Lake, down on the border, is another good crappie fishing spot right now. Although many crappie are caught by boat fishermen, the major part of this type fishing is from baited piers. There are several of these piers, in the vicinity of Zapata, at fishing camps, trailer parks and motels.

Fishing for black bass is good in Falcon, too, and can be done without a boat. By wearing warm clothes and waders the bass fishmen are able to fish miles of the shoreline of this sprawling lake. The lake is very high right now and the bass are feeding in the newly covered grassy shallows.

In saltwater the fish retreat to deeper waters during a cold spell. Warmly dressed fishermen flock to boat basins, newly cut channels and to just about any place where relatively deep waters can be found. Many of these places are easier to fish from shore than from boats. One should be careful, however, because many of these places can only be reached by going on private property. Get permission to go there or you might be arrested for trespassing.

Many of our winter visitors from the plains states fish all winter and not many of them bring boats with them. They fish from shore and, in most cases, are able to catch all the fish they need.

Catching fish without a boat is just like any other kind of fishing--the person who works at finding the right places usually turns up with a respectable catch. The people who fish a little while in one place without catching fish, then give up and go home to watch a football game are liable to wind up eating hot dogs for supper.

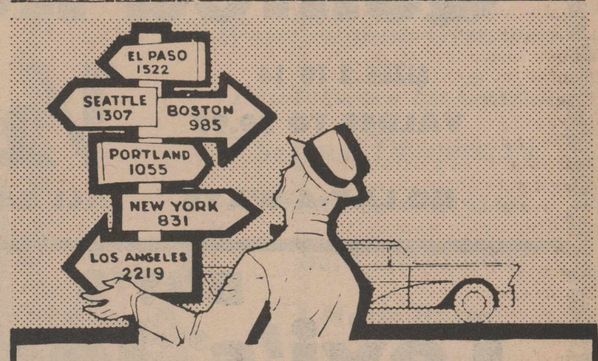
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Sports

Junior High Girls To Meet G-P

Rockport-Fulton Junior High girls' seventh and eighth grade basketball teams will face Gregory-Portland Thursday, Dec. 16 in G-P, beginning at 5:30 p.m. It will be the last game of the year for both teams, who will have three week breaks before getting back into action Jan. 6 against West Oso.

Last week, both teams took it on the chin from Flour Bluff and Calallen in a pair of double-headers.

Flour Bluff swamped the eighth grade 69-11 Monday night. Ruth Lane led Rockport-Fulton with seven points.

The seventh grade got much closer, but dropped its third straight, 30-19 to the Lady Hornets. Gaye Harper had 12 of Rockport's 19 points.

Last Thursday against Calallen, the eighth grade team lost 58-10. Alma Mendiola was high point with four.

Gaye Harper led the seventh grade with eight points, but Calallen won going away, 42-19.

Both the seventh and the eighth grade teams are now 0-3 for the year.

Raul Ramirez Fifth In State Cross Country

Rockport's Raul Ramirez brought his dream of five years to life Saturday, Dec. 11 when he finished fifth in the state cross country meet held in Austin's Zilker Park.

He sprinted away at the gun, holding a strong sixth despite a withering early pace in the rain and 39 degree cold, and finished with enough kick to move up one notch and join the first rank of Texas high school long distance runners.

He was surrounded and hugged by a group of family and friends after the race was over that put a joyous smile on his fatigued face.

He has aimed for the state meet since he first went out for junior high track, running the 1320 because it was the longest race allowed.

In high school, he began running cross country under Coach Gene Rogers and now runs six miles a day to keep in shape.

He has good sprint speed in the quarter as well as distance ability, and plans to run both the mile and the mile relay this year for Rockport.

Raul outlined his strategy before the race and calmly stuck to it. "I take off at a sprint, then I pace myself so I can stay up as close as possible. Then I hope for a kick to finish, and if I don't have it, I just do my best."

His best was very good in Austin Saturday, and it made him an instant contender in the mile when district track competition gets underway later this year.

Pirates Open Loop Play

All three high school boys' basketball teams were impressive last week in non-district games.

The Pirate Varsity led the way as it has all season, taking its ninth win in 10 starts over Refugio, 49-40. Dickie Ballou had 21 points to lead the Pirates, who started slow but came on strong in the third period for their fourth straight win.

Three JVs scored in double figures Tuesday in a 52-43 win over Refugio. Jimmy Cruser hit for 16 points, and Ronnie Lamb and Kenny Matlock finished with 14 and 10, respectively.

The Freshmen played their finest game of the season last week, taking 4A Port Lavaca into overtime before falling 50-46. The Frosh had tied the score at 46-46 at the end of regulation play. John Garcia, Jerry Canchola and Rueben Garcia all scored in double figures for the Pirates.

This week the "real" season begins when the Pirates open district play against powerful Gregory-Portland, a probable title contender. The Pirates edged G-P in the finals of the Taft tournament recently, winning 47-43 on the strength of a furious final quarter rally. The Wildcats should be even stronger Dec. 17 in Rockport with some of the football holdovers nearing peak form.

JV and Freshmen games are also on tap with G-P Dec. 17 and the action gets under way at 5 p.m. in the high school gym.

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When the Boat-O-Tel complex is finished (Vermillion estimates full operation in 60 days), it will be the most modern facility of its kind in the area.

Aside from the 116 storage units, two wash racks and a unique motor testing pit are planned, as well as a complete range of tune-up and caretaker services.

The testing pit will allow a boat owner to back his boat into a fresh water pit on the trailer, step on a sliding rack which will put him within working distance of his motor, and make whatever adjustments or repairs are required.

If a traveller is headed to Rockport for a short visit and wants to get some fishing done on short notice without having to wrangle with a tune-up, he can phone ahead and hire one of the facilities on-duty service men to wash and prepare his boat prior to his arrival.

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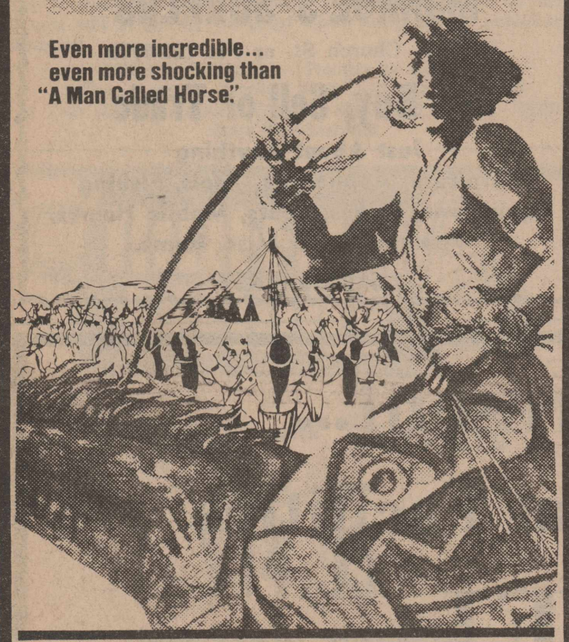


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possible service on a charter committee to study what kind of city government Rockport should have when it tops 5,000 population.

Hutt noted that it was becoming more evident that Rockport would need a census before the next national roll call in 1980.

The Mayor, while not disregarding the costly census, put forth an alternative gleaned from a letter he had received earlier Monday from the state. Under the plan, Rockport would pass a resolution declaring itself a city of 5,000 or more. It would then take the 1970 census figure and divide it by a figure derived from the number of water, utility and phone connections which were then in effect. The resulting ratio, times the current connections, would produce a population figure the state would accept, without a census. Oohs and aahs were heard from both council and guests.

The city's progress and local homeowners' cooperation in the handling of potential problems of growth were underscored in the agenda items which followed.

Homeowners on Whooping Crane and Aloha streets in Key Allegro joined together to construct a sewer line which was turned over to the city for maintenance and operation. The homeowners, who bore the cost of construction, will be charged $160 to connect to the city system, with $100 going into the city budget and $60 into an escrow account for laying of high pressure lines to service the entire island if and when it is finally annexed.

Some 28 homeowners on the streets have already signed up for the service, and the remaining costs have been borne by a citizen's group which will charge future connectors a fee which will cover their bank loan.

The agreement is the fourth such maneuver between Key Allegro owners and the city.

Following the Key Allegro move, City Engineer Gene Urban of Urban Engineering in Corpus Christi, appeared before Council with a proposal aimed at solving drainage problems encountered by the developers of Key Allegro North.

The planned condominium development had hoped to connect with the sewer system constructed for the Rockport Racquet and Yacht Club, but Racquet Club developers have run into financial difficulties, and the Key Allegro plan for connection appears impossible. The developers now propose a six-inch sewer line from the site west to Highway 35, across the highway, then to the Little Bay Shore lift station after crossing the highway a second time.

Urban asked council to consider encouraging a connection with a line planned from Harbor Oaks Division Four to Highway 35. The lines would connect near the highway and an oversized line which would accommodate sewage from both developments would be laid to the lift station. Urban told council such a proposal would prevent duplication and provide for a safety factor for future developments.

He told council that if all the currently committed subdivisions were filled to capacity, the city would have only 27 extra connections.

City Secretary Herman Johnson told council that recent rains had caused seepage into the lines, and that the lift station was currently operating at near capacity, but that there was no danger of overloading unless the current developments filled up overnight, and current growth continued unabated.

--In other business, the council:

--Set Jan. 10 as a date for a public hearing on a petition to annex a portion of Fulton Beach Road west of Harbor Oaks.

--Appointed Roy Rogero, Sr., to fill the unexpired term of Roy Rogero, Jr., on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Roy Rogero, Jr., recently moved to Clear Lake City after serving for a number of years as The Pilot's advertising manager.

--Cancelled the Dec. 27 council meeting.

--Approved requests by the Little League Association for improvements to the ballpark concession stand, and erection of a second fence to hold additional subscription advertising signs. A light pole was blocking one corner of the concession stand, and prevented the association from starting a centralized cashier system to better control the flow of money from concession sales.

--Took no action on a proposed five year contract with Central Power and Light for street and traffic control lights until advice can be obtained from Texas Municipal League consultants hired to review the pending CP&L rate increase.

--Approved a request for a street light on South Live Oak and Hackberry Streets. Homeowners had complained of the darkness, and felt it was to blame for two recent burglaries of homes on the streets affected.

--Passed a resolution supporting additional funding for the state highway system.

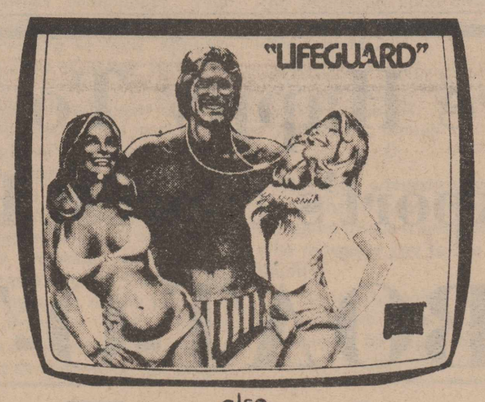
--Paid bills.

--Approved the City Police Chief's report for November. The report showed 15 drunk in public charges, nine speeding tickets and eight arrests for disorderly conduct in a busy month.

Police also answered 14 calls during family disturbances, but took no legal action.

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that during his last talk with the local state "landlord" he was told that the state should have more control in Aransas County than it did.

In other business, commissioners:

--Agreed to "play it as it lays" with a contract proposal by Central Power and Light for harbor lights in rural areas. The present contract expires Dec. 26, 1976, and CP&L wants to replace it with a five year contract including a provision that the board will pay one-half rates for any lights cut off during the contract period.

Counsel David Connery recommended the board continue to pay the increased rates and simply let the contract lapse. He had recommended the same course of action to the city earlier, and seen CP&L come back to the council on a yearly basis. He stated that with the current instability in power supplies and cost, it would not be advisable to commit the district to payment of a fixed price for five years,

--Agreed to postpone approval of a rent increase on Key Allegro Marina property until a proposal to expand the current facilities has been rejected or approved by the Army Corps of Engineers.

--Raised the rent charged to Mrs. Sophie Lassiter of the Shell Shoppe $12.50 to cover the rising cost of property insurance.

--Approved a request by the owner of Wee Putt Gulf Course to start a flea market on the site during the winter season when crowds are small. The board approved the request on a 90 day trial basis, with the stipulation that it would be closed if sufficient complaints were received within the first 30 days of operation.

School Board...

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slab, and will include a wood storage room, a tool room, a paint room, two restrooms and two offices.

The girls' dressing room addition contains approximately 1,020 square feet, and will cost approximately $19.39 per square foot.

Suicide Probe...

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in the shelter on Friday and was awaiting transfer to an area school for neglected children according to Hendricks.

She had been adjudicated a child in need of supervision by Judge Rachael Littlejohn several weeks before her death, but had not appeared in court for her transfer to a girl's school.

Her parents were divorced, and she was found Friday by Aransas County Juvenile Probation officer Cathie Cotton and Cureton in her mother's home near Round Rock. She was brought back Friday afternoon and placed in the shelter.

Hendricks told The Pilot she was conversant and not discernably depressed during the ride from Round Rock, and was pleasant to the matron who checked up on her at breakfast time Saturday morning.

The matron checked with her again at 1:15 p.m. when she was given her lunch, and she participated in conversation and did not seem anxious or depressed.

Between 1:15 and 3 p.m., however, she hung herself, using a sheet taken from a bed. Hendricks said Cureton discovered the girl with her knees hanging inches from the floor, and said she would have been capable of standing up at any time. "The sheer determination she showed was frightening," Hendricks said.

The hanging is the only juvenile death that has occurred at the shelter, erected in 1974. Hendricks said he does not feel that negligence was involved. Miss Shedd was alone in the shelter, and had access to the hall adjacent to her room, as well as the bathroom and shower areas. She also had access to an intercom which would have summoned the jail matron next door.

Bell...

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long distance charges will rise $65 million statewide, directory information calls above 10 per month will cost 20 cents each, and pay phones will cost 20 cents a call.

PBX rates will rise $7 million, six button sets, called "key" services, will rise $11.6 million, and service charges will bring an additional $12.3 million.

Charges for Princess and Trimline will go up $3.1 million, and Centrex $3.5 million.

The commission's reliance on the staff report is good news for those battling Central Power and Light in the rate case currently before the PUC. The staff has proposed a 5.2 percent increase for CPL in its initial report, less than half the 11.5 requested by the city.

A similarly taut decision decision by the PUC could then mean a possible rebate of several hundred thousand dollars for area rural users, who are already pulling the heavier rate load.

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Ambulance...

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graduates of medical schools seeking a location to begin their practice and other doctors interested in moving to this area were possibilities. It was reported that several such inquiries had been received in recent months.

Dr. Mike Shellenbergar and Dr. Frances Jansa were added to Dr. Wideman's committee to help explore this possibility. Other members of this committee are Mrs. J.S. King, Dr. J.M. Pattillo, Mrs. George Cone and Mrs. Peggy Bloch.

Final action of the board at the meeting Friday was to select a name to appear on the ambulances. It will be "Emergency Medical Service - Serving Aransas County."

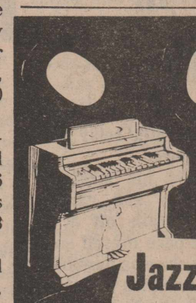
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The Rockport Mood

One of Texas' best read writers, author of "Turn South at the Second Bridge" and "Bonney's Place," tells why he loves Rockport.

By Leon Hale

My favorite place on the Texas coast is Rockport. It hooked me, the first time I spent a night there in 1956.

In the beginning what got me was the trees--those leaning, wind-shaped live oaks that grow throughout the area and remind you of the time long ago that your mother tried to make you take art lessons.

It happens that I am a confirmed lover of native Texas trees, and when I first began roaming up and down seacoasts it seemed to me a shame, that so many shorelines are deserts in the matter of trees. And so I was sure pleased to meet up with Rockport, which has everything you look for in a seaside place, plus the live oaks in the bargain. I have not found this anywhere else on the Texas coast.

And so those live oaks have become a symbol to me, of a place in my state that I especially love. When I'm fogging along in Houston traffic, thinking of where I'd rather be, those leaning trees so often go parading across my mind. In the 20-odd years that have passed since I first saw them, Rockport's slow-growing oaks have not changed much. But the town--and in fact the entire area where the oaks grow--has changed a great deal.

I am not able to sum up in a single sentence exactly how this little stretch of Aransas County shore has changed since 1956. But it pleases me to imagine that somehow, in an unhurried and unplanned way, it has reshaped its character to accommodate the mood that those live oaks create.

This might even be true, for live oaks encourage character development, in people and places both. A live oak oozes character, the way some trees ooze sap.

I meet a good many people who are looking for a special place to love, to escape to, or to vacation in, or to live in. That need is so strong, in us all. And everyone has his own motion of what the place must be like. Some will say, well, they want a place that has good fishing and hunting. Others say they must have tennis, or golf, or beaches with shells, or lagoons to water ski, or weather that's good for arthritis, or a place with lots of pretty girls.

Some of those things are important to me, too, but what I look for the most in a place is mood. I want a place that creates in me the mood that I want to stay in. Call it contentment or happiness, but it's more than that. I want the place to reach out to me and say, "Good things will happen here, and they will happen to you."

This is what Rockport has done for me that no other spot on the coast has done. And it has surprised me, because a lot of conditions must be satisfied before this happens, and I am mighty particular about them.

First, I want just the right amount of isolation from the general throng. And that doesn't mean a hundred miles from the nearest neighbor and living with a shotgun and a faithful dog. That's for hermits. I don't even want a lonely deserted beach. Instead give me a small town, and keep the cities back away from it. Corpus Christi being 30 miles from Rockport is plenty close enough, and I wouldn't care if they moved it on down the coast another 10 miles. Still, I want it there, a reasonable distance, in case I need it. San Antonio, the only large city in Texas with more than the average personality, is 150 miles inland and that's about right. Houston, where you can find at least a little bit of almost anything that exists anywhere on the planet, is 170 miles up the coast. Just far enough that you won't get in the habit of going there when you don't really need to.

Now, I won't buy just any kind of small coastal town. I want one with a certain brand of appeal which is not common. I can't give you the formula but I can name some of the ingredients. Some are subtle and may seem far-fetched but to me they are as important as fishing and tennis and weather.

First I want a town with a string of small, one-story business places, a lot of which look as if they've just been painted by their owners. You can spot an owner-painted shop (unless it's owned by a pro painter) because the paint on it somehow looks thicker. And the trim may not go well with the walls, like maybe that color of paint was on sale. Rockport has a good many businesses like that. I prefer to trade with a guy who will get out and paint his own shop. It tells me somethng about him.

Then I want a nice little yacht basin, where I can go and mess around and talk. I don't care if any yachts are in it but I want shrimp boats with names like Sinbad and Little Jeff and Jewell Dee. And I want charter boats with white-haired captains wearing gold-braid caps and telling stories about the mysterious things they've seen in the Gulf. Also I want some little ramshackle stands run by talkative characters who have live crabs for sale, caught that morning. Rockport has a sweetheart of a little basin of this kind. It's right in the heart of town, passing itself off as being significant as a courthouse, and maybe it is.

Also I want a fresh seafood place, painted white, where I can get redfish and trout and flounder. I want it sold to me by a good-natured woman who won't mind answering my questions about where the fish was caught, and when, and by whom, and who'll take time to tell me her own favorite way of fixing redfish filets.

Then close by I want a fresh vegetable stand, operated by a good old boy who'll say to me that he tried one of those cantaloupes for breakfast this morning and man, it was just right. And give me a little bakery where I can go every morning and enjoy the aroma of fresh bread coming out of the oven.

But look here, most of all I want nice people, to share good books and conversation with, to fish with, to watch sundowns with, and maybe drink a little whiskey with, to be friends with. I would make a rotten hermit and I think most of us would too, or else we would not have so few hermits.

So these are some of the ingredients I have found at Rockport, that makes it my favorite coast place.

In a private little dream I once had, I went down to Rockport and found me a spot on the water and built a sturdy house. I meant, in the dream, to sit on the porch of that house and spend the rest of my time watching sailboats and listening to the wind blow and jawing with folks who happened by. The spot I picked was down on the south end of Key Allegro, that island community in Aransas Bay.

Which was a good idea, except that somebody beat me to the last place on that island big enough to build a house. Vacant property on the water at Rockport is so scarce you might as well go on and say it doesn't exist. So in recent times those who have moved into the Key Allegro area have gone into condominiums. There are condominiums on the island, in fact, but they are all sold.

On my last Rockport trip I noticed a big condominium complex was being built there on the bayshore, immediately upcoast from the Key Allegro bridge. I'm told these apartments are going up on the last available waterfront property in the Rockport area. Developers and builders take on an expression of what you might call frustrated yearning, when they talk about the possibility of getting hold of more bayfront real estate. But as one of them said to me, "There just ain't no more."

I have never lived in a condominium but I've stayed in a few, for short times. To me it is the same as living in a house, except you don't have to cut the grass or trim the hedge and you've got the bay in the front yard and the tennis courts next door. Tennis is the big sport in Rockport now, as in so many places.

My own favorite sport is messing around, combing beaches and sitting around talking in bait camps and taverns and owner-painted one-story shops and stores. Rockport is a beautiful place for messing around that way.

But I know people at Rockport who take their leisure time with an awesome seriousness. The fishermen, for instance.

Experts on salt-water fishing occur, in my experience, at the rate of one every 50 feet along the Texas coast and you can ask any of them about Rockport fishing. About 20,000 acres of bays are within a handy distance. Redfish. Trout. Shrimp. Flounder. Oysters. Crabs.

And now some of those fellows on Key Allegro that have the big boats are going out fifty miles or more, I hear, after billfish. Then I sometimes listen to friends who wade fish during spring tides and go after those big reds, and they get all misty-eyed just thinking about it.

Maybe you're a bird hunter. Or a bird watcher? Listen, Aransas County is where birds were practically invented. I've flown with the government wildlife people who take surveys on the number of waterfowl that migrate from northern nesting grounds to the middle Texas coast. Around Rockport I've seen the great clouds of geese and ducks that fly in.

Also I class as one of my favorite experiences that I once silently drifted in a boat to within thirty feet of a family of whooping cranes, there where they winter on Aransas National Wildlife Refuge a short way from Rockport. At sundown on that refuge you can sit at almost any time of year and count three or four dozen species of animals and birds, without moving from your place.

So, that's another reason Rockport is special to me: Places nearby it that I also love.

Padre Island, for example, with its hundreds of miles of beaches, is just downcoast from Corpus Christi. And within half a day's drive is the Mexican border, so within four hours I can be sitting in a Matamoros' U.S. Bar in the State of Tamaulipa, sipping on a margarita. (If I've got an airplane I can be there in an hour and a half. Rockport's airport has the runway and the lights and all the private aircraft services you'd need.)

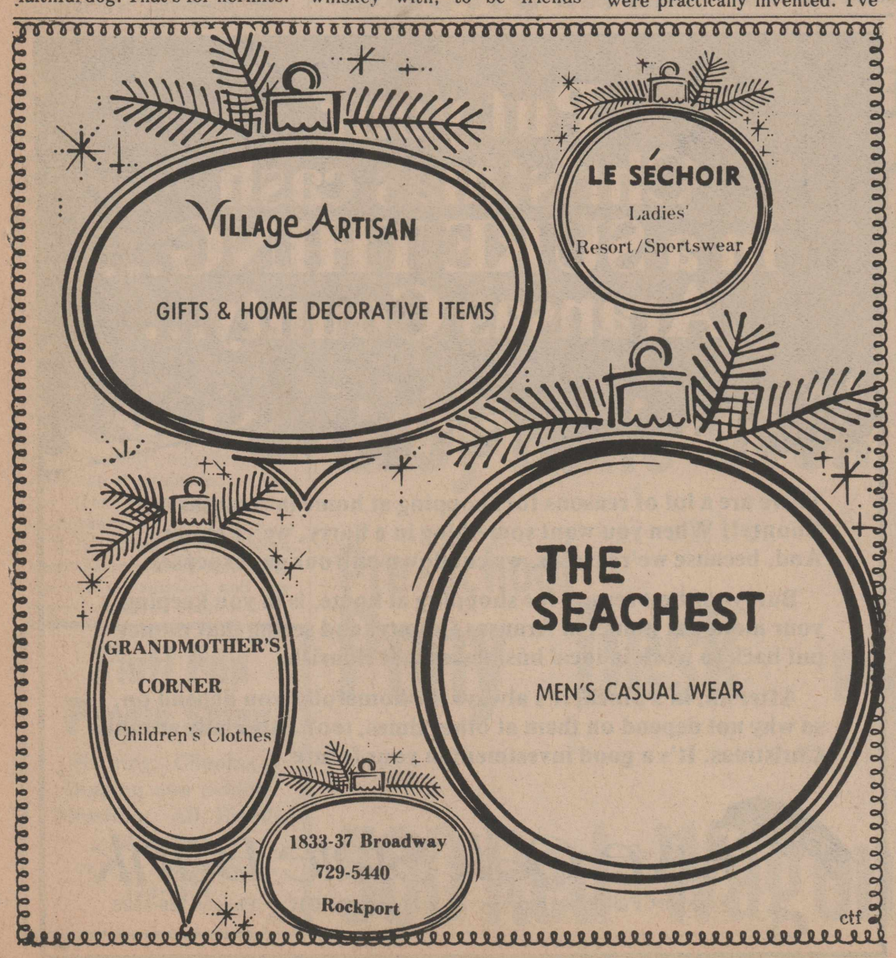
There are closer attractions, especially for those who like history and antiquity. A little more than an hour's drive inland is Goliad, where Col. Jim Fannin and his men were held prisoner at Presidio La Bahia during the Texas Revolution. And Rockport itself has an interesting past to dig into: Cannibalistic Karankawa Indians once roamed the region and left their sign, and so did the Aransazu, which gave Aransas County its name.

The cattle industry of Texas had its start on the coastal plain above Rockport.

To a degree, Texas' tourism began at Rockport, too, for it is one of the state's oldest coast resorts. And so I suppose that three-quarters of a century ago, some old boy was discovering Rockport and its live oaks just as I did in 1956, and telling everybody it was a place different from all the rest. Well, if he did discover it that long ago he ought to have bought a lot facing on Aransas Bay, because it would bring a mighty nice price now.







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Community Calendar

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

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

Friday, Dec. 17

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

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

Sunday, Dec. 19

Church of your choice.

Monday, Dec. 20

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

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

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

Woman's Club of Aransas County Card Party, 1:30 p.m., Clubhouse, everyone invited.

Game Night, 7 p.m., Rockport-Fulton Tourist Association, Airport Road. Public Invited.

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

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

Tuesday, Dec. 21

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Copanoakers, 2 p.m., Lee Miller Community Center, Holiday Beach.

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

Helping Hands, 9:30 a.m., Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Aransas County CB Radio Assn., 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 22

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

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

Rotary, 12 noon, Sandollar.

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

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

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

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

Commissioners' Court, 9 a.m. Courthouse.

A.A.R.P. Chapter #1536, 10 a.m., covered dish. Postponed for Christmas holiday.

Thursday, Dec. 23

Rebekah Lodge, 7:30 p.m., I.O.O.F. Hall.

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

TOPS #849 (take off pounds sensibly) weigh-in 6:20 to 7:30 p.m. Call 729-7861 for information.

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

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

Rockport Lions Club, 12 noon, Sandollar.

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The Community Calendar is compiled by the American Association of Retired Persons, sponsors of the Community Concern Center. Call Mrs. Geo. Parker, 729-2007, or 729-7722 to list coming events or changes in schedule.

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Board Of Realtors Holds Awards Dinner

The Aransas-San Patricio Board of Realtors held its annual Christmas dinner Dec. 3 at the Rockport Racquet and Yacht Club. Gerhardt Schulle of San Marcos and Austin, special legislative liaison for Texas Association of Realtors installed the new officers who included Janice Medlin of Portland, president; Jerry Storms of Ingleside, vice president; Rita Strickland of Rockport, secretary-treasurer; and Louise Itschner, Jo Barkley, Mary Edwards, Frances Rigg as new directors to join the remaining directors, Frank Tompkins and Freddie Lingner.

Irene Smerke of Portland, retiring executive secretary and MLS manager, was honored and awarded a silver tray.

Jo Barkley of Portland was presented a beautifully engraved silver tray by the board in appreciation of her two year's service as board president.

Anna Wishert of Rockport, 1975 Realtor of the Year, announced this year's winner of the coveted award, Jo Barkley of Portland. Janice Medlin announced the primary goals of the board for the ensuing year, emphasizing the importance of education and service.

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'Action Line' Is Aiding Disabled

In the first five months the Texas Easter Seal Society ACTION LINE has proven to be an outstanding success, as well as answering a major need of the handicapped in Texas.

Some 438 physically disabled Texans have made use of the Easter Seal ACTION LINE since it was established.

This service established in late June of this year, permits any disabled person, or his family, to call free of charge 1-800-493-5555, and receive guidance in locating help.

The Texas Easter Seal Society's professional staff not only advises the disabled person of the resources available, but puts him in contact with the appropriate agency or service he needs.

In addition, whenever possible, the staff follows up with the client, as well as the agency, to which he was referred, to determine if further assistance is needed.

The Easter Seal ACTION LINE is averaging almost 150 calls a month, from all over the State of Texas.

Many of the handicapped individuals using this service have complicated needs, and until the implementation of this service, were at a loss as to where to go for help.

Calls have ranged from persons confined to wheelchairs requesting how to adapt their homes for wheelchair use, to an urgent call from a frantic mother seeking help for a child in need of life saving equipment.

Many of the callers were ready to give up hope of receiving any help with their disabling problems.

Any handicapped individual or their family in need of assistance is urged to call 1-800-492-5555 to determine if the Texas Easter Seal Society can provide help in the form of information pertaining to or referral to existing services.

Gifts Reflect New Consumer Attitudes

Alternatives to the materialistic, commercialized holiday gifts of the past are attracting interest this year.

Mrs. Claudia Kerbel, a consumer information specialist, suggests "Consume with care" be the watchword for the 1976 holiday season. Many shoppers are looking for gifts which conserve resources and celebrate life.

This specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, suggests some ideas for these kinds of gifts.

--Give a gift of energy--your own energy--visit an elderly friend or babysit for a young mother X times during 1977. Or volunteer your time and talents to one of the many community agencies that need help.

--Conserve when you wrap gifts by using last year's paper and ribbons, or the comics from the Sunday newspaper, or butcher paper decorated with potato block prints or finger painting, or leftover fabrics cut with pinking shears, or acorns, pine cones and other natural materials.

--Buy a live tree and plant it later.

--Make your own gifts, like children's stuffed toys, doll clothes, wooden blocks, or knitted or crocheted items, or plants, baked goods or jams and jellies.

--Buy discriminately and ask yourself: is it useful? will it be used? is it made of durable materials? can it be recycled, repaired or reused in the future?

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State Park Facilities Drawing Jan. 11

Need to reserve a cabin in a state park for Easter 1977? Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials will hold drawings in state parks Jan. 11, 1977, to make reservations for certain park facilities during the coming year.

P&WD parks offical Bill Collins said Jan. 10 is the deadline for receiving applications at state parks where reservations are requested for the period Feb. 1, 1977, to Jan. 31, 1978.

"With the exception of individual campsites and trailer sites, most state park facilities may be reserved," said Collins. "Everyone may participate in the drawing, but only once.

Individuals may request up to four dates on a priority basis. Any one facility which may be reserved may be listed under the four dates. That is, a cabin for Easter weekend and a group shelter for July Fourth may be listed. If the first date is drawn already, one of the succeeding dates will be honored for reservations, if available."

Collins said each request must be accompanied by a check or money order for one day's fee for the facility. Those not drawn will have the fee refunded.

"We ask everyone to make note of their anticipated date of arrival in the park and leaving date," said Collins. "Each facility may be reserved for one period not to exceed 14 days."

Individual campsites and trailer sites remain available to state park visitors on a first-come, first-served basis.

ABILENE State Recreation Area, Route 1, Tuscola 79562, AC/915 572-3204; **BALMORHEA** State Recreation Area, Box 15, Toyahvale 79786, AC/915 375-2370; **BASTROP** State Park, P.O. Box 518, Bastrop 78602, AC/512 321-2101; **BLANCO** State Recreation Area, Box 493, Blanco 78606, AC/512 833-4333; **BONHAM** State Recreation Area, Route 1, Bonham 75418, AC/214 583-5022; **BUESCHER** State Park, P.O. Box 75, Smithville 78957, AC/512 237-2241; **CADDO LAKE** State Park, Route 2, Box 15, Karnack 75661, AC/214 679-3351; **CLEBURNE** State Recreation Area, Route 2, Box 97, Cleburne 76031, AC/817 645-4215; **DAINGERFIELD** State Park, P.O. Box B, Daingerfield 75638, AC/214 645-2921; **DAVIS MOUNTAINS** State Park, P.O. Box 786, Fort Davis 79734, AC/915 426-3337; Indian Lodge (Motor Hotel), Box 786, Fort Davis 78734, AC/915 426-3254. Reservations available for Indian Lodge (Motor Hotel) only.

EISENHOWER State Recreation Area, Route 2, Box 50K, Denison 75020, AC/214 465-1956; **FALCON** State Recreation Area, P.O. Box 2, Falcon Heights 78545, AC/512 848-5327; **FORT PARKER** State Recreation Area, Route 1, Box 256, Mexia 76667, AC/817 562-5751; **GARNER** State Park, Concan 78838, AC/512 232-6633; **GOLIAD** State Historical Park, P.O. Box 727, Goliad 77963, AC/512 645-3405; **GOOSE ISLAND** State Recreation Area, Route 1, Box 105, Rockport 78382, AC/512 729-2858; **HUNTSVILLE** State Park, P.O. Box 508, Huntsville, AC/713 295-5644; **INKS LAKE** State Park, Box 117, Buchanan Dam 78609, AC/512 793-2223; **KERRVILLE** State Recreation Area, 2385 Bandera Highway, Kerrville 78028, AC/512 257-5392.

LAKE BROWNWOOD State Recreation Area, Route 5, Box 160, Brownwood 76801, AC/915 784-5223; **LAKE CORPUS CHRISTI** State Recreation Area, Box 1167, Mathis 78368, AC/512 547-2635; **LAKE WHITNEY** State Recreation Area, Box 1175, Whitney 76692, AC/817 694-3793; **MARTIN DIES, JR.** State Park, Box 1108, Dogwood Station, Woodville 75979, AC/713 384-5231; **MCKINNEY FALLS** State Park, Route 2, Box 701B, Austin 78704, AC/512 243-1643; **MERIDIAN** State Recreation Area, Box 188, Meridian 76665, AC/817 435-2536; **POSSUM KINGDOM** State Recreation Area, Box 36, Caddo 76029, AC/817 549-1803; **STEPHEN F. AUSTIN** State Historical Park, P.O. Box 797, San Felipe 77473, AC/713 885-3613; **TYLER** State Park, Route 9, Tyler 75706, AC/214 597-5338; **WASHINGTON-ON-THE-BRAZOS** State Historical Park, Box 305, Washington 77880, AC/713 878-2214.

For more information on specific facilities available in each park, please write or phone the park superintendent.

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Select Trees With Care

With the rows and rows of Christmas trees on every other street corner, it seems almost impossible to find or select that "perfect" Christmas tree.

A few tips to help the holiday shopper come from a landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Four basic points must be remembered in selecting a Christmas tree," points out Everett Janne. "The tree should have a triangular shape, it should be well-filled out, and it should not be too large or bulky for the allotted space in the home or apartment.

"Shake the tree and note how many needles fall to check the tree's freshness," suggests the Texas A&M University System specialist. "A fresh tree will shed only a few needles."

Once you get the tree home, cut about an inch off the butt end and place it in a tree stand that holds water. Check the water supply regularly and replenish it as needed to help the tree maintain a fresh appearance.

In the home or apartment, keep the tree away from heating vents, radiators and fireplaces, cautions Janne.

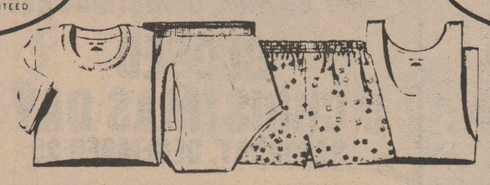
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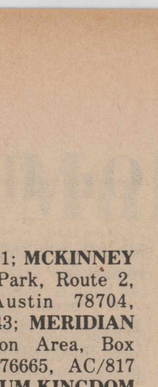


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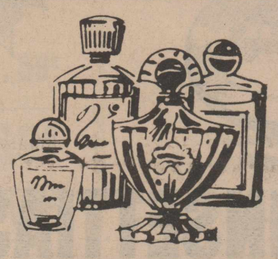
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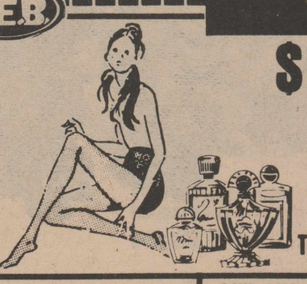
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Comptroller Begins Crackdown On Illegal Cigarette Sales

Comptroller Bob Bullock has ordered his field agents to begin a crackdown on merchants who are using cigarette vending machines without a state permit as part of a drive to curb the flow of bootleg cigarettes out of Texas.

The comptroller said the bootleg cigarette underground is costing Texans millions each year in lost tax revenues.

"We feel that many of these bootleg cigarettes are being sold to unsuspecting customers through unlicensed vending machines," the comptroller remarked.

A recent spot check by Bullock's field agents revealed that approximately 36 per cent of the machines currently in operation lacked the $5 state permit.

Failure to have the permit affixed prominently to each machine being used is a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to $500 per day for each machine.

The decals expire automatically on the last day of February each year. Bullock is asking citizens to check for the valid decal when purchasing from machines, and to report violations to his office by calling the toll-free Tax Information number, 1-800-252-5555.

The comptroller also urged smokers to check the bottom of their packs for the state stamp. "If there is no stamp on the bottom, then no state tax has been paid and the buyer and the state are being ripped off," Bullock said.

Violations can be reported to the office through the same toll-free number.

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Christmas Recipe Book Offered

Christmas time at home brings memories of good cooking and family visits--and good cooking starts with planning and preparing the feast, Mrs. Marcia Brown, County Extension Agent, says.

An educational publication, 'Christmas Time at Home,' covers everything from food gifts to puddings and beverages to main dishes. Compiled by foods and nutrition specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, it features more than 30 pages of recipes and suggestions. It's available from Agricultural Communications, College Station, Texas 77843 for 35 cents. Title of this publication is 'Christmas Time at Home', B-254. It can be obtained through the local county Extension office also.

For a sample of the recipes in the pamphlet, try Party Cheese Ball.

Party Cheese Ball

2 8-ounce packages of cream cheese
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
1 teaspoon finely chopped onion
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
Dash of salt
1 8-ounce package of cheddar cheese, grated
1 tablespoon chopped green pepper
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Dash of cayenne pepper
Pecans, finely chopped

Cream the cream cheese, add the grated cheese and mix until well blended. Add other ingredients and mix well. Shape into a ball; roll into finely chopped pecans. Wrap and chill for 24 hours in refrigerator.

Minimum Wage Grows

The U.S. Department of Labor announced Nov. 23 that American workers currently subject to a $2.20 minimum wage will be entitled to $2.30 beginning Jan. 1, 1977.

Most workers covered by the federal minimum wage are already entitled to the $2.30 rate. Employees currently subject to $2.20 are those who were brought under the protection of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) in 1967 or later.

Employment categories subject to the increase include:

--laundry and dry cleaning establishments;

--construction enterprises with a gross annual business volume of less than $350,000 (larger construction firms are already subject to the $2.30 minimum);

--private hospitals, nursing homes, preschools, schools and colleges;

--hotels, motels, restaurants and certain other enterprises with an annual gross sales volume of at least $250,000;

--all branches of a chain store operation, if the enterprise as a whole grosses at least $250,000 annually (ending a current exemption for individual chain stores grossing less than $200,000); and

--household domestic workers.

In addition, farmworkers covered by a current $2 minimum wage will be entitled to $2.20 an hour January 1, with a subsequent increase to $2.30 on January 1, 1978.

The FLSA, which sets minimum wage, overtime pay, child labor and equal pay standards, is administered and enforced by the Employment Standards Administration's Wage and Hour Division.

For further information, contact the Corpus Christi area office: Bobby J. Scott, Area Director, Suite 714, 600 Building, 600 Leopard St., Corpus Christi, Tx. 78401, telephone 512/888-3156.

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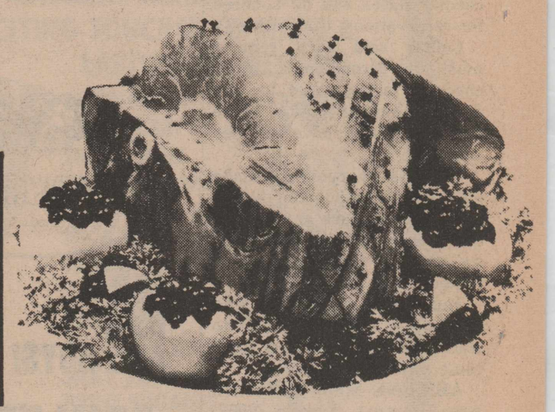
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Love Should Be Multi-Faceted

The most happily married people are those who love each other deeply. No one ever hears of a really loving couple talking about the possibility of separation and divorce, says Dorthy Taylor, a family life education specialist.

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

"What many people call love today is just sexual attraction. Married love is far more than that; it includes the feeling you have for a close and dear companion with whom you share part of your life--the friendship love. It includes the desire to cherish, help and care for the one you love--like the tender protective emotion you feel for a child. It includes willingness to sacrifice yourself, if need be, for the loved one."

She noted that marriage is more than two people in love, though. It is also two people in a partnership. The partnership must work if the marriage is to be happy.

"It isn't enough for a husband to be able to tell his wife in glowing terms how beautiful she is and how much he loves her. He must be able to provide her with a home, bring in a steady income, manage the family's business affairs, deal with the children, organize outings and vacations and do the odd jobs around the home.

"The wife, too, has to be more than an adorable sweetheart. She must be a comrade to her husband, a housewife, a manager of money, a mother to her children, the family representative in many social events in the community, and perhaps an auxiliary breadwinner," the specialist pointed out.

And it takes quite a talented person to be really good at all those things, Miss Taylor pointed out.

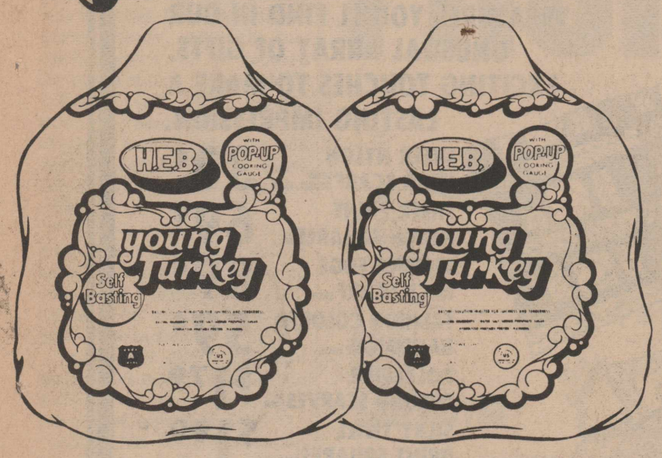
"Two things are especially important to enabling a couple to work out a good partnership. The first is adaptability in both of them; the second is a sound workable policy for decision making.

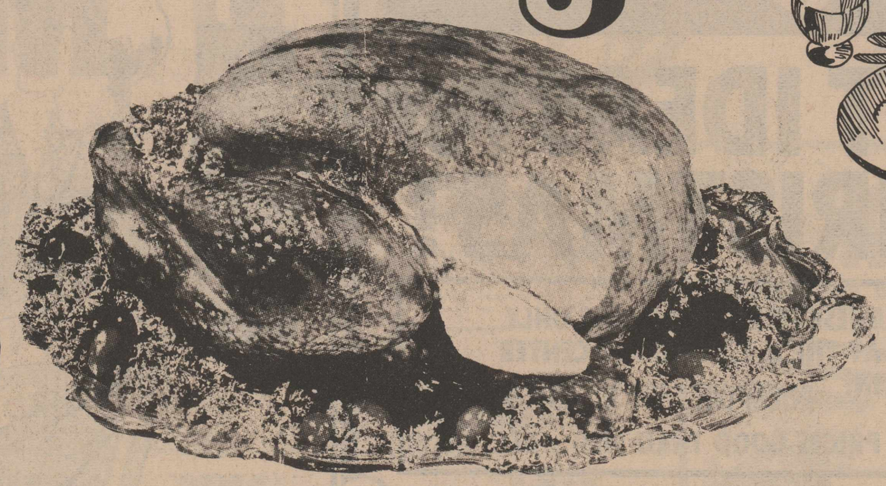
"Basic ingredients for two people in a marriage are maturity and character. People who have attitudes of kindness and consideration, who are trustworthy and dependable, whose ideals are high, and who have the resolution to pursue them without giving up easily are the people who have just what it takes to make the adjustments of marriage successful.

"No marriage can be happy without the trust and confidence of the marital partner. We often refer to this as the coming together of two people who are in tune with one another. Couples who have found a spouse who is mature, who has character, who is trustworthy and confident form the base for a loving marital relationship," she said.

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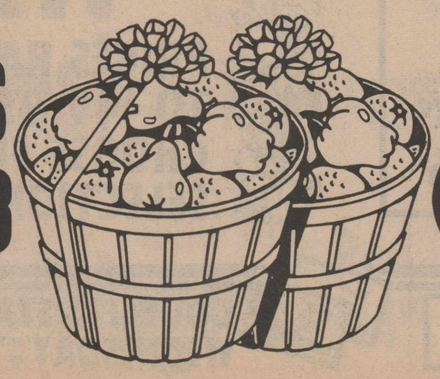
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ACCB Club News

By Caycee Kate

The Club is extremely pleased with the number of names turned in for the new CB Directory. But a drive is on for more names. Anyone is eligible. If your name is not in, blanks may be obtained from most of the local merchants. For sure, you'll find them at the Radio Shack. At no cost to anyone, fill in with your name, address, FCC call number and handle. This is for notification upon completion of the directory, but only your name, handle, FCC call number and city will appear in the directory. Dec. 15, 1976, is the deadline. If you can't find time or forget to obtain a blank, send a card with the above information to; Handle Directory, P.O. Box 543, Rockport, Tx. 78382.

The REACT Team is in full swing. There is still room for more members either as steady monitors or back-up units. As an added boost to finance their printing cost the ACCB Club voted to purchase motorist distress HELP flags. These pendants are florescent orange and can be seen at night. There are times when our CB units fail for one reason or another and on the highways or superslabs they are invaluable. There are still many autos with CB's and instead of getting out in the cold and raising the hood and trunk, this pendant can be hung on the window. To those who are unaware of turnpike laws, even if your automobile is incapable of moving, it is against the law to get out of your car. The price of $1.00 is a small amount to pay in exchange for assistance on any stretch of road.

January is election of new officers. Officially this month is nomination time. The following names were presented by the committee and from individual members of the club: President, "Road Hog," Howard McMenomy; vice-president, "Morning Star," Betty Kelly; "Back Step," Don Snowdon; Secretary, "Popcorn Machine," Jewel Clinton and "Lady Windy," Carol Person; Treasurer, "Lady Maverick," Anita Bell; and for the Board of Governors, "Golden Duke," Gary Leach; "Rockport Sweet Mary," Mary Ann Kelly; and "Capt. Windy," Eddie Person.

Printed ballots with these names and space for write-ins will be handed to members at next month's meeting.

A.E. Clinton, "Termite," was voted to replace Toni Harden as board member and will serve through the year of 1977.

Board of directors next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14.

Dues for all members are payable January 1977. If dues are not paid by March of the coming year, your name will be deleted from the register.

The new member voted in was Juaquin Martinez, "Pinto Bean." "Welcome!" 10-4

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Do you think the Texas presumptive limit of .10% blood alchohol concentration level is too low? Well many countries have even lower tolerance and presumptive limits for driving while intoxicated. Sweden, for example, uses a .03% level, and Denmark and Norway, .05%.

Endangered Birds Making Comeback In Texas

Things are looking up for some of the endangered species of birds which spend time in Texas.

Bald eagles, brown pelicans and whooping cranes all seem to have posted gains in their numbers this year.

Biologists at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Audubon Society have been keeping a close watch on the birds in the past few years.

The P&WD annually conducts a survey to locate active southern bald eagle nests in Texas. This year eight active nests produced eight young, a modest increase from last year's seven fledglings.

The nesting range of the southern bald eagle once extended over most of Texas, but at present is confined to the middle and upper Gulf Coast.

A majority of bald eagles sighted in Texas, however, are northern subspecies which nest in the northern United States and southern Canada. During the winter of 1975-76, 329 of the northern birds were sighted in Texas, a decline from 392 in 1974-75 and 712 in 1973-74.

Decline of bald eagles and other fish-eating birds is blamed for the most part on either pesticides, which affect reproduction, or habitat loss.

Brown pelicans have been hard hit. Around 1900, one colony of brown pelicans near Corpus Christi had an estimated 5,000 birds.

By 1950 the figure for all of Texas had dropped to 768; and in 1963 there were 28 adult brown pelicans in the state. This year adult birds produced 16 young, the most in Texas since detailed records were first kept in 1963.

A record number of whooping cranes made the 2,500-mile trip to the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge from Canada this year. Federal biologists counted 54 adult birds with 12 young. Last year there was a total of 57 birds wintering in Texas.

Two other lesser-known birds, white-faced ibis and reddish egrets, are neither endangered nor threatened but have suffered declines in numbers in recent years.

Some 2,000 pair of ibis were estimated in Texas in 1973. That number is up to 5,900 in 1976, according to biologists at the Parks and Wildlife Department.

National Audubon Society officials estimate Texas' population of reddish egrets at 1,600 adult pair, about half found in the state during the 1930s.

Most of the world's population of these egrets is found in Texas in two major colonies on Aransas Bay and Redfish Bay. Low point for reddish egrets in the state seems to have been 1965 when only 552 pair were found.

Although it only is conjecture, the early and mid-1960s seems to be the nadir for many fish-eating birds such as egrets and brown pelicans. Biologists speculate this was a time of heaviest use of DDT in agriculture, and run-off of pesticides into streams contaminated fish which were in turn eaten by birds.

Although use of pesticides such as DDT and aldrin has declined or ceased, state and federal biologists say loss of habitat still poses a major problem to the birds.

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Hangovers Can Haunt Holidays

Medical research shows why a hangover can feel like someone tap danced on your tongue and made you swallow a dozen dirty tennis shoes. During the holiday season, many people will be doing their own informal research on hangovers. The Texas Medical Association points out both scientists and laymen come to the same conclusions though. Hangovers hurt.

The main reason they are such a pain is that all sorts of things are thrown out of balance. A hangover can cause irritated stomach and intestines, altered body fluid balance and blood acidity, too much potassium and lowered levels of a male sex hormone. As the alcohol breaks down and the body expels it, everything generally returns to normal--except for alcoholics whose body is only further hurt by the drug.

People have been trying to prevent and cure hangovers for thousands of years. More than 2,500 years ago a Hindu writer described a selection of symptoms such as vomiting, loss of appetite, heartburn, thirst, dizziness, shaky hands, and sleeplessness. He also mentioned sweating, fatigue, headache and depression but didn't say what to do about the problem. A Greek doctor 1,900 years ago recommended eating roasted hog lungs to keep from getting drunk and hung over. More modern concoctions of raw eggs and hot sauce are in the same category, says an article in **The Practitioner**, a British medical journal.

The same journal says taking a large drink of water, lemonade or lime juice and a couple of aspirin before going to bed will help the next morning. Some researchers contend there is no cure for a hangover except time. Some people have a drink to drive off hangovers. One article said this action marked a growing dependency on alcohol. Of course the best, and most ignored, advice is not to drink too much.

There is a lot of debate on whether some types of alcohol give worse hangovers than others. An article in the **Quarterly of Studies on Alcohol** says bourbon gives more of a hangover than vodka. The theory is that "congeners," materials such as sugar, colorings and preservatives, in alcoholic beverages increase hangovers. Vodka is low in congeners and bourbon contains a lot of them.

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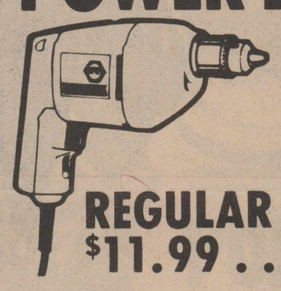
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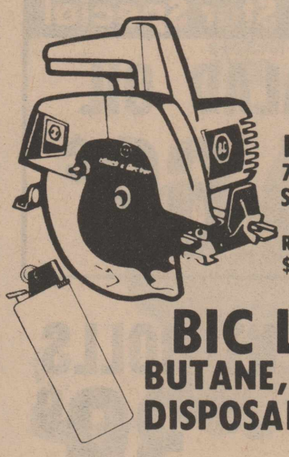
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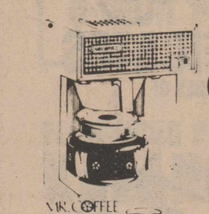
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Microfilm Library Reveals Wide Spanish Influence

A great many of Texas' geographic place names...rivers, bays, mountains, cities, towns, counties...are Spanish in origin or influence. The first vice president of the Republic of Texas; a freedom-loving priest who traveled through Texas; cowboys who introduced the cattle industry to our plains; the architecture of homes and public buildings; the survey and measurement of the land; colonial Spanish law...all had a profound influence on the development of the character and personality of Texans. These nuances of life-style have made Texas distinct among the states of the Union.

However, many of the distinctions are not understood by Texans today because we have failed to research and fully realize the Hispanic influence on every phase of Texas life... its culture, laws, family and home customs, geography. Therefore, the restoration of Presidio La Bahia at Goliad by the Kathryn Stoner O'Connor Foundation has led inevitably to the establishment of the Spanish Texas Microfilm Center as a means to the end that the Hispanic-Texas heritage will be more widely known, understood and appreciated.

The Spanish Texas Microfilm Center, headquartered in Presidio La Bahia, is sponsored by The Sons of the Republic of Texas, a patriotic organization whose active membership is composed of male descendants of loyal citizens of the Republic of Texas (1836-1846). The purpose of the Spanish Texas Microfilm Center is the establishment of a collection of research materials on microfilm for the study of the Hispanic influence on the culture of Texas. This is a continuing, long-range project directed toward acquiring microfilm copies of all documents pertaining to the 300-year period during which Spain controlled what is now Texas. As they are acquired, these microfilm copies are placed under one roof in fireproof quarters at Presidio La Bahia, where they will be available to scholars for study, either at the Center or on inter-library loan.

Today, the original historical material is widely scattered in collections in the United States, in the many archives of Mexico, and in the great archives of Spain. Only a minute portion of the documents has been microfilmed, and little of that is available to researchers on inter-library loan. Because of this situation, it has been both difficult and expensive for scholars to tap the vast and priceless collections of records pertaining to Spain and Texas. The cost to researchers in travel time and funds has severely restricted study in this important field. The Spanish Texas Microfilm Center will be the only one of its kind in the world, a place to which researchers can turn for microfilm copies of all Hispanic-Texas documents.

The immediate main thrust of this Microfilm Center is threefold:

The first objective has been the compilation of a Spanish Texas Microfilm Guide listing all Hispanic-Texas documents that have already been microfilmed and are on hand in libraries and other collections. This Guide contains descriptive information and shows the location of the film, as well as whether it can be borrowed from the holding institution through inter-library loan. Mrs. Margaret McLean, Research Specialist for the Spanish Texas Microfilm Center has been responsible for the compilation of data for the Guide, which is in loose leaf form so additional listings may be inserted at intervals and the Guide kept current. Copies are provided at cost to librarians and researchers.

Another objective is the ordering of positive copies of microfilm for which the negatives are already available. As these are received, they are checked, indexed and suitable descriptive labels prepared for all reels, after which they are placed on file at the Center.

Still another goal will be to undertake the recording on microfilm of archival documents that have never been copied.

It is anticipated that the ready availability of microfilm copies of the tens of thousands of Hispanic-Texas documents, through interlibrary loan from the Center, will greatly increase the number of entries for the Presidio La Bahia Award, a prize of $2,000 given each year by the Kathryn Stoner O'Connor Foundation for the best studies concerning Spain's influence on the cultural heritage of Texas. The eventual result of this availability will be a great wave of research and writings, nationwide, based on this primary source material, much of which has never been studied by scholars.

The Spanish Texas Microfilm Center program is under the guidance of Dr. Malcolm D. McLean, who was designated Honorary Director by unanimous vote of The Sons of the Republic of Texas in annual convention at Dallas on April 14, 1973. Dr. McLean is Associate Dean of AddRan College of Arts and Sciences, and Professor of Foreign Languages, at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth. He is a recognized authority on the Hispanic heritage of the Americas and is the author of numerous important works on the subject. He and Mrs. McLean have served in prominent roles in Latin American countries, and both have been involved in Hispanic research for many years.

The Microfilm Center possesses Kodak reader-printer equipment for the use of scholars who may wish to research the files there.

Funds for the operation of the Spanish Texas Microfilm Center are received through tax exempt gifts of individuals, foundations and business firms. Your financial support is solicited in order that this project, so vital to the cultural life of Texas, may be more speedily carried to completion. The acquisition of microfilmed copies of the historic papers, and the operation of the Spanish Texas Microfilm Center for the benefit of researchers through the years ahead, require a steady flow of funds in the form of cash gifts, pledges and endowments. You can have a part in this.

Your questions and comments will be welcomed by The Sons of the Republic of Texas, as will be the opportunity to meet with you for the purpose of detailing all financial and operational aspects of the program, and discussing how your can help. Write: The Sons of the Republic of Texas, Headquarters Office, 2426 Watts Road, Houston, Texas 77025.

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'Mixing' Drinks Has No Effect

Do you swear by the old adage that it's mixing your drinks that gets you drunk? The truth is that ethyl alcohol, the intoxicant, is found in all alcoholic beverages. The same concentration of alcohol in the blood is produced from 3½ ounces of wine as from a 12-ounce bottle of beer or ¾-ounce of 100 proof whiskey, though the volume of liquid differs. So staying with one kind of drink offers no advantage; only the amount you drink can control the degree of intoxication.

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United States Oil Reserve Categories Described

Since the Arab oil embargo in 1973-74, we have been hearing more and more about the nation's oil reserves. Yet many do not understand what oil reserves really mean.

According to the magazine Petroleum Today, there are many categories of oil reserves. The most reliable category, the one the nation can rely on with the highest degree of confidence, is proved reserves. These are oil reserves that have been found by drilling, and are believed to be recoverable under existing economic and operating conditions.

Potential reserves are those estimated on the basis of data from drilled wells, geological interpretation of core samples, and other information.

Probable reserves are those not yet discovered, but the area may look good because, for example, it closely adjoins a producing field.

Possible reserves are oil and natural gas which have not yet been found but which might be expected to occur because the underground structure of a new area closely resembles that of a productive field several miles away.

Speculative reserves are those which may lie beneath unexplored areas such as the Continental Shelf off the U.S. East Coast. In such areas, seismic studies show an underground structure that is different from proven fields, but one that could theoretically trap petroleum. No wells have yet been drilled. Trying to estimate volumes of petroleum in such areas is pure guesswork.

The American Petroleum Institute estimates proved oil reserves once a year, but none of the information used in its annual reserves report is submitted by API member companies.

The information is obtained by more than 150 highly knowledgeable and experienced technical experts--company geologists, reservoir engineers, independent consultants, and others--serving on 24 subcommittees. Each subcommittee is assigned responsibilty for a specific geographic district. The information is fed to the API in Washington, and before it is published it is reviewed by a national committe in the prescence of Federal Energy Administration observers.

Except for the giant Prudhoe Bay discovery, the nation's proved reserves have been on a downward trend since 1966, when the year-end total reached nearly 31.8 billion barrels. Total reserves are now about 32.7 billion barrels. Without the North Slope oil--which is unavailable for use until the pipeline is completed--proved reserves total some 23 billion barrels, the lowest since 1948.

Because of the steadily increasing demand, and lack of more largescale discoveries, U.S. proved reserves continue to decline, with the result that we are importing more and more foreign oil. About 40 per cent of the oil we use is now foreign, and nearly a third of that comes from the volatile Arab countries.

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KOA Sets Party, Announces New Arrivals

A Christmas tree trimming party was planned for Thursday, Dec. 16 during the Wednesday Arts and Crafts session at the KOA Campground.

Guests will make or offer ornaments to decorate the tree, and KOA will furnish the tree and the lighting.

Friday Pot Luck supper guests at the campground included: Mr. and Mrs. J. Pry, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wilder, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Clough, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dailey, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rippner, Vermont; Mr. and Mrs. Toy Hayes, Connecticut; Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerrigan, Connecticut; George Reed, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Hirshberger, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Woodard, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Piper and daughter Lorey, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shure, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. H. Dewar, Ontario, Canada.

New arrivals include: Mr. and Mrs. E. Hirshberger, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reynolds, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. L. Lucke, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Thompson, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. F. Brooks, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. J. Sontag, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Kerrigan, Connecticut.

The Saturday Corn Social award went to John Wilson, of Michigan.

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Mobile Inn Trailer Park Sets Party

A Christmas Party for all residents has been set for Dec. 18 at the Mobile Inn Trailer Park, featuring a $2 gift exchange. A Christmas day dinner will be held in the park recreation hall.

The Friendship Club of the park met recently with 22 members and one guest present. The group decided to conduct a bingo party at the Aransas Pass Nursing Home Dec. 15. It was also announced that Mrs. Fred Stuckum is teaching a craft class in making dogs. The club members also have a project to make chair pillows for the hall. Mrs. E.J. Moore and Mrs. Henry Schnabel have donated the material for the covers. All ladies of the club will help make the pads. Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Charles Pratt and Mrs. Fred Stuckum.

A Christmas tree ornament contest held recently at the park ended with Mrs. Alf Flowers as the winner. Judges for the event were Bob McCormack, Al Conlon and Francis Cordes.

Returning to the park for the winter were Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Murphy, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Al McCann, Ohio; and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Waller, Michigan.

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County VFW Council Meets

The County VFW Council met Nov. 1 at Ingleside Post 6386 for a business meeting and dinner. Rockport representatives included Charles Garrett, past District 6 commander; Paul Taylor, Rockport post commander; B.R. Agee, past Rockport post commander; H.C. Mullinax, past county co-commander; Jim Cowan, member; and Zeb Romans, member.

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Scientific or purposeful farming of water regions has been given diverse names, including seafarming, aquaculture, aquiculture, and mariculture.

The Harvest is Plenteous..The Labourers are Few

Worship in Church This Week

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...96 N. Austin 729-7493



FAITH SEES PROMISE IN THE WHITE WORLD OF WINTER

When Winter's sun with slanting rays of light
Reveals a world arrayed in glistening white,
Where barren trees and snow-clad peaks beyond
Are mirrored in an ice-encrusted pond;
Some see it only as the year grown old,
The earth devoid of life, so dead and cold;
A dormant land where nothing seems to grow
And future hopes lie buried in the snow.
But those of faith see beauty in this scene;
Through Church they know that one day it will mean
A miracle that God will always bring:
The new rebirth of life that's known as Spring.

— Gloria Nowak

"While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."
— Genesis 8:22

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Highway 35 South
Rev. L.D. Crawford, Pastor
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Rev. John Robert Bradshaw
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Second Monday: 7:30 p.m., Women's Circle.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m., Choir Practice.
Second Thursday: 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Women's Circles.
Third Thursday: 9:30 a.m., Sewing Bee.

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Rev. Percy Lewis
Sunday School, 9:45; Morning Worship, 11:00; Youth Fellowship, 6:00; Night Service, 7:15. Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Women's Missionary Society, 7:30. Friday, Bible Class, 7:45 p.m.

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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Walter D. Clark, Jr., Rector
Sunday: 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 9:15, Church School and Adult Forum: 10:30, Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays; 10:30, Morning Prayer 2nd and 4th Sundays.
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Confession: Saturdays, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m.

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