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WHY EVERY CITIZEN SHOULD BE MEMBER CHAMBER COMMERCE

Third place winner in the essay-writing contest on the subject "Why Every Citizen of Houston County Should Be a Member of the Chamber of Commerce" was Bettie Haley, high school senior, daughter of Mrs. Olivia Haley, formerly of Center and now employed at the Stokes-Gouldby hospital. Bettie received a \$5 prize for the following essay:

By Bettie Haley

The people of Houston county should support the Chamber of Commerce because it does much for the betterment of our vicinity. A man once defined this organization as the backbone of the town and county. If this is true, we should do all we can to support it.

If it were not for the Chamber of Commerce, a town would have no backing by the citizens of their own community for it is made up of good substantial law abiding citizens who want to see their town and county get the best of management. Qualifications for joining the group are to be a permanent resident in the health of all citizens and growth of industry in the town.

Did you ever stop to think that if you were a member of this fine group you would be helping yourself, your



Bettie Haley.

family, and your friends? You would also be helping other counties, for when they saw you making worthwhile civic improvements, they would follow your example; and shortly this would be a nation with the Chamber of Commerce as its motive power.

Every eligible person should join this fine organization. Some of us do not realize the experience it has to offer as well as to make you a better citizen. If more will join the Houston County Chamber of Commerce and make it one hundred percent, this will be one of the best in the state.

LIEUT. COLONEL THOMAS HOUSTON NEW ASSIGNMENT

Lt. Col. Thomas A. Houston, whose last assignment was transportation corps coordinator for the Berlin air lift at Rhine Main and Weibaden, Germany, has taken up duty in Seattle as a transportation corps instructor for the Washington Organized Reserve Corps instructor group. He will have the 371st Major Port company, the 43rd Highway Transportation division, the 460th Truck battalion and the 455th Truck Company under his supervision.

Before returning to the United States late in 1948, Col. Houston served 29 months in Munich as area transportation officer and 17 months in England.

Also reporting to the Washington Organized Reserve Corps was Maj. James J. Robertson, who becomes transportation corps instructor for the 314th Transport Service group, the 354th and 21st Harbortruck companies, the 497th Port battalion and attached companies and the Seattle District Transportation office. Major Robertson has 27 months service in Alaska, and prior to coming to Seattle was transportation officer at Fort Ord, California.

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1st Lt. Paul B. Lowrey, reserve, was named public information officer for the 371st Major Port company.

Improved Service is Promised in 45 Days

CROCKETT TO HAVE AS GOOD TELEPHONE SYSTEM AS THE BEST

Sam Halyard, city engineer, made a report on his investigation of the Crockett Telephone Company's blue print at last week's meeting of the city council at the city hall February 22. He said that he had been asked by the council members to submit the blue prints which Loch Cook had filed with the council to a reliable firm of engineers who would thoroughly study the plans and render a decision stating whether or not the improvements if carried out would bring the telephone system of Crockett up to the standards of a city of like size and population of Crockett.

The engineers of Houston promised to find the most reliable telephone engineer they could to render an opinion, and they chose a Southwestern Bell expert. He stated, reported Mr. Halyard, that the outline of expense called for by Mr. Cook's blue prints was more than Bell would make for a city of comparable size with Crockett.

Following Mr. Halyard's report Mr. Cook was asked if he had received material to carry out the plans for improvement and if he had set a date to begin construction. They asked that he not wait on possibility of sale, but that his improvements begin without delay.

Mr. Cook agreed, stating that most materials had been received and that he would immediately begin negotiations for a construction contractor, that he felt work could begin within 30 to 45 days.

Alderman Buck Sullivan then made a motion which was seconded by Alderman T. D. Craddock and passed unanimously that (verbatim from minutes taken by City Secretary Dudley Woodson and open to the public): "Loch Cook give the city council a written statement that he will, as of this date, initiate negotiations for

a contract for the installation of the improvement of the present telephone system according to the plans and the blue prints now on file with the city, this contract to call for the commencement of the work within 45 days from this date (February 22, 1949), and to proceed until completion, subject to interruptions on account of non-delivery of materials, acts of God, and other matters beyond the control of the parties, this all with the assurance of Mr. Cook that when completed the city of Crockett telephone system will, in addition to all the foregoing, be a complete two-wire metallic system, sufficient to make telephone service available to all persons within the limits of the city of Crockett, with all subscribers to be furnished with the French type telephones, old style phones being replaced as soon as replacements now on order are delivered, and equipment to be such that it can be converted to a dial system as soon as conditions warrant this conversion, this to be done regardless of the consumption by parties of present plan for the sale of the plant. The above and foregoing requirements being such as are considered by the city council to constitute a reasonable group of requirements for expansion and improvement of telephone facilities at the present time and in the reasonably near future."

Mr. Cook agreed that he would file a written statement such as was asked for by the motion and that he was commencing the performance of the project as outlined in the motion and plans referred to in the motion.

He pointed out that the telephone company employs a maintenance crew, but for the blue print construction he would set to work immediately to find a qualified contractor who would have a construction crew able to make the improvements called for by the blue prints of the expansion project.

Mayor R. M. Sims presided at the meeting. Present besides the ones named above were Aldermen O. B. Rhone, Dr. Lyle Thompson and R. C. Overstreet. Also City Attorney Frank Granberry, Attorney Walter Morgan, Nat Patton Jr., Albert Daniel, Frank Bettewhite and W. C. Dobbs.

BOY SCOUT LEADERS OF TEJAS DISTRICT SET MEETING DATE

Thursday, March 10, is the date set by Boy Scout leaders of the Texas district for their next meeting, announced Ted O'Brien, field representative, who was in Crockett Thursday and spoke briefly at the Rotary luncheon about the year's scouting aims.

He is at Keenard, Porter Springs, Lovelady, Leltoy and Crockett make up the Texas district, he explained, and at this meeting there will be a follow-up of the Scouters Training School taught by Joe Bailey Hamphrey, then whom, said Mr. O'Brien, there is a new better qualified.

The Fort Worth Anniversary Council will be discussed, and this date forth the three targets at which their sights are aimed for this year. Number one target is satisfactory, trained leaders for every unit, two programs, planned meetings of outdoor activities, recognition for achievement, community service, special activities, such as sports, and so forth, and better cooperation, that membership target.

Under membership heading, Mr. O'Brien emphasized that by the end of 1949 they expect to have eight new units, and in 1950 eleven, they now have five. Troops now number nine; they want 15 in 1949, and 18 in 1950. They have 81 members in the Crockett unit, and 141 in the Lovelady unit, and 150 in the Leltoy unit. Scout members now number 184; in 1949 they hope to add 200 new members and in 1950, 242. All these and more goals will be discussed at the second Thursday meeting.

OUR SUBSCRIPTION LIST IS HOLDING ITS OWN ABOUT

The Courier's subscription list is doing fairly well, thank you. On today of this week it reached the 200 mark for the year, which is a running right along with last year, a campaign year, when subscriptions are usually better. Our list of 200 for the year includes both renewals and new subscribers. Our 200th name is an old friend and subscriber, Mr. W. H. Blakeway of Fort Worth, whose renewal was received on Friday, February 25. This is a little better than a hundred for each month, or an average of about twenty-five a week, which is about the same as last year. The Courier appreciates its loyal old time subscribers, as well as new ones, and will continue to strive for improvement. Any business that is holding its own during this prolonged period of price inflation, when some things cost three or four times what they formerly did, is doing well, as our friend, Mr. Millwood, would calculate.

Golf Course Menace

Jack Beasley Jr. shot a hole-in-one at the Country Club golf course Wednesday, according to the following witnesses: Robert King, Sam Arledge, I. D. Long, Luffin; Norman Fresser, R. Traylor and Henry Berry. It is said to be the first hole-in-one ever made on this new golf course; belief has been expressed that such a shot was made on the old course. Jack shot the eighth green from a distance of 155 yards.

LOCAL TALENT CAST REHEARSE PROGRAM FOR MARCH 8, 9, 10

Mrs. Betty Greene Little has called a dress rehearsal for Friday night of the entire cast of "The Old Peabody Pen," by Kate Douglas Wiggin which is being presented March 8, 9 and 10 at the First Methodist church under the sponsorship of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the direction of Mrs. Little.

In the cast along with the leads played by Jack Beasley Jr. and Mrs. Mabel Jones Arledge are the following local talent: Mrs. Adelle Vaughn Patton, Mrs. Alma Turner Boyer, Mrs. Leola Wafford Downum, Mrs. Homer Lary Callaway Jones, Mrs. Ruth Tunstall Bennett, Mrs. Elvira Lohmberg Lewis and Mrs. Grady B. Lake.

Wednesday night's program will be sponsored by the Christian church ladies, and Thursday night it will be the Young Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist church. A free will offering will be taken at each of these performances, the proceeds to go to worthy causes of the churches.

Mrs. Avon Nellie, president of the Guild, has organized all her members for publicizing the event and for serving doughnuts and coffee during intermission. Costumes representing the period, which is about 1899, will be worn by all those serving. The cast is hilarious and yet faithful to the story which is true and beautiful. They are able cast and directed and have spent hours daily and nightly to produce a series of programs that Crockett can be proud to see and to talk about for a long time to come.

DAY OF PRAYER PROCLAIMED BY CROCKETT MAYOR

In these times of international need and suffering, how fitting is it that we should set aside a day of prayer for Divine Guidance. There will be a service at the Christian church Friday at 4 o'clock. Those who cannot attend will be joining with the millions of others in the world in universal appeal and will be happy to know that every one is seeking the same peaceful solution to our common problem.

ROAD MEETING FOR LOVELADY TONIGHT

A meeting will be held at Lovelady tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock in the interest of House Bill 60. This is the bill being sponsored in the state legislature by the Texas Rural Roads association in the interest of farm-to-market highways. It calls for taxes on natural resources to provide funds for construction of these roads. The meeting was called by the Austin-Lovelady-Groveton highway group, according to County Judge Roy Selman, who said that arrangements would be made at the Lovelady meeting to get a strong delegation to go to Austin Monday for the scheduled hearing on the bill. Judge Selman said that those who cannot go to Austin should write their representative and senator and let them know if they want the bill passed.

BUSINESS SESSION CROCKETT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEET

The editor of the Courier, who happens to own a lot in the Crockett Cemetery, has just received notice of the regular annual meeting of the members of this co-operative organization. The meeting will be held Tuesday at 10 a. m. in the directors' room of the Davy Crockett Building and Loan office.

The Courier believes we should all work toward improving and beautifying our cemeteries. How about a more beautiful entrance to the grounds, more gravel on driveways, and shrubbery along driveways? Should we not ask ourselves the question are we helping or leaving to others to care for the grounds where our loved ones are buried?

The regular annual meeting of the members of the Crockett Cemetery association will be held Tuesday, March 8, 1949, at 10 a. m. in the directors' room of the Davy Crockett Federal Savings and Loan association, for the purpose of electing seven directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

MRS. THOMPSON BURIAL SATURDAY

Mrs. Olive Thompson, 81 years old and a lifelong resident of the community where she died, passed away at her home on Lovelady St. at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Zion Hill Baptist church, religious services being conducted by Rev. A. R. Higginbotham. Interment followed in the Zion Hill cemetery. Burial arrangements were in charge of Callaway Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thompson leaves three sons, Jesse Thompson of Brush Prairie, Iowa; A. A. Thompson of Houston; and Joe Thompson of Brush Prairie, five daughters, Mrs. Minnie Ward, Brush Prairie; Mrs. Mary Parrish, Glendale; Mrs. Frances Gates, Houston; Mrs. Mattie Norworthy, Willis; and Mrs. Mittie Campbell, Trinity; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Nora Parrish, Glendale; a brother, Bud Lane, Brush Prairie; fifteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

VISITORS HERE FROM MICHIGAN

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Bremer and sons, Robert Jackson and David of Ann Arbor, Michigan, accompanied by Mrs. Valma Fenley of Detroit, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McClain Jr. They motored down from Michigan after Mr. Bremer completed his law course at the University of Michigan and took the Ohio bar examination. Mr. Bremer and Mrs. Fenley will return to Michigan, where he will take the Michigan bar examination, while Mrs. Bremer and the boys remain in Crockett for a few weeks. Mrs. Bremer is the former Beth McClain.

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FOUR CONVICTS CAPTURED EARLY SATURDAY MORNING

Trinity Standard.

The four convicts who tied up the assistant steward on Eastham State Farm Saturday morning at about 9 o'clock and escaped in the steward's car, were apprehended an hour and five minutes later seven miles west of Trinity. The capture was made by F. A. Price, city marshal of Trinity, and Roy Priggon, State Game Warden, also of Trinity, on the Kitter-Trinity road.

The bookkeeper on the Eastham farm called Mr. Price shortly after the break, and Price in turn called the sheriff's department in Crockett, and also notified the Trinity unit of Highway Patrolmen, Leake and Goodrum. All officers responded and within 40 minutes after the break every small road leading from the farm to the main highway from Trinity to Crockett was blocked.

The convicts, all long-termers and considered some of the prison system's worst criminals, offered no resistance when captured. All were still in the car, and not a shot had to be fired to capture them. The convicts were listed as Leroy Moore, driver of the car, serving 100 years, sentenced from Longview, Dallas, Greenville and Paris on charges of robbery and safe burglary; Joe Miles Ward, serving 50 years from Sherman on robbery and rape charges; J. H. Webb, 105-year sentence for burglary and felony theft from Plainview, Del Rio, Lubbock and Brackettville; and James H. Mitchell, now serving 75 years for robbery with fire arms from Hill, McClouden, Anderson and Ikecup counties.

According to City Marshal Price Leroy Moore seemed to be a very clever and talkative man. He said he intends to pay all he owes to society and is very anxious to get the 100 years served in Texas so he can finish a balance due the Federal penitentiary here with her parents. He said he had just what he owes Oklahoma for a small robbery there.

SOCIAL AND OTHER NEWS OF BELOTT

Miss Frankie Mae Shields returned to Livingston after spending the week-end here with her parents.

Mrs. H. F. Beathard was in Houston during the past week-end.

Miss Mary Frances Davis, a teacher of Conroe city schools, visited her parents Saturday and Sunday.

Friends will be glad to note that Mrs. C. L. Monk, who has been in a local hospital with pneumonia, is considered out of danger and is on the road to recovery.

Mrs. Maude Mason was called to Houston due to the serious illness of a little daughter there.

W. F. Ashby, who has been in a hospital in Houston, underwent a major operation there last Saturday.

Reporter.

SOCIAL AND OTHER NEWS OF LOVELADY

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Driskell and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. King and sons, were in Galveston Friday for the Texas Mardi Gras. Larry King and Linda Driskell were Lovelady representatives in the Junior court.

Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Whitehead and family have gone to Beaumont to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Beckman and daughter, Carol, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan of Houston, and Miss Epile Brest of Beaumont were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bront.

Mrs. Walter Gantt was called to Cotton Valley, La., last week by the illness of her mother who passed away Friday. Her many friends extend sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Whatley spent the week-end with relatives in Lamar, Mo.

Miss Callie Fay Milliken, Houston, Miss Nella Jean Milliken and Byron Stewart of Corpus Christi, were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Milliken Friday through Sunday.

Mrs. V. L. Word and Mrs. M. L. Russell accompanied the M. Y. F. group to Crockett last Monday night.

Mrs. C. C. Allen was taken to a Crockett hospital for treatment last Monday and her daughters, Mrs. George McFarlan and Mrs. Jack Swift of Freeport, Mrs. Herbert Albright of Houston and Mrs. I. W. Boring, Gonzales, are visiting at her bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dodd and family of Cuero, Mrs. B. F. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Birch of Waco, have been visiting in the T. N. Malner home.

L. H. Montingo spent Sunday in Houston, and Mrs. J. J. Barron, who has been spending the winter there, accompanied him home.

RED CROSS CHAPTER RENDERS SERVICE

One Saturday morning a father came to the Red Cross office saying, "My boy, Dick, is in a hospital. He had an operation yesterday and the doctor says he has about one chance in 100 of surviving. Could you help me get my son home. He is in the army, stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga. After giving all the necessary information and checking details with the doctor and hospital, the following telegram was sent Saturday at noon: "Assistant Field Director, American Red Cross, Station Hospital, Fort Benning, Ga.:

Request emergency leave Pvt. John C. Doe L183549, account operation of Brother Dick. Doctor states Dick's condition critical. Signed, Executive Secretary, Houston County Chapter, American Red Cross."

About 11 o'clock Monday morning, the telephone in the Red Cross office rang, and the voice of a grateful father said: "My boy John, has arrived in Crockett. Many thanks to the Red Cross."

The above is one of the many services rendered by your local Red Cross. In January and February alone the local Red Cross has served twenty-one cases, taken care of twenty-three requests and has had thirty communications.

About one-half of the money donated is kept in Houston county. The other goes to National headquarters, where it is dispersed for use in disasters such as floods, tornadoes, explosions such as the Texas City disaster, hurricanes, etc. A great deal is being spent on the national blood program now being launched by the National Red Cross.

Support your Red Cross. Give generously. It is a friend in need! Mrs. Lilly J. Moore, Executive Secretary, Houston County Chapter.

HEARING MONDAY ON RURAL ROADS BILL

A hearing has been scheduled by a legislative committee at 7:30 o'clock Monday night in Austin on House Bill 60. This is the bill sponsored by the Texas Rural Roads Association for the construction of farm-to-market roads. It would levy taxes on natural resources to provide revenue for the construction of this type of road. County Judge Roy Selman, who is a district director of the association, requests that as many interested citizens as possible attend the hearing in Austin Monday night.

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[tlaccurding] [uncertain] to Coufty Judge Ruy Se man, who said that [srrangementa] [uncertain] would be made at the [Lorelady meettling] [uncertain] to gel a strong delegation ta go [yltw] [uncertain] Austin Monday for the [acheduled] [uncertain] on the Lill, Judge Selman [sax{}] [uncertain] that those who cannot go to Aus- [thn ehugld] [uncertain] write their representative stand [senstur] [uncertain] and bet them know if they want the bill [waased.] [uncertain]

CROCKETT, TEXAS, MA

LIEUT. COLONEL THOMAS HOUSTON [NEW ASSIGNMENT] [uncertain]

[It.] [uncertain] Col. Thomas A, Houston, whose last) assignment was transportation [curps] [uncertain] for the Berlin air lift at Rhine Main and Weisbaden, [Germ.] [uncertain] ny, has taken up duty in Beatthe an transportation corps Instructor for the Washington Organized Reserve Corps Instructor group. He will have the [J7iet] [uncertain] Major Port company, the 434th Highway Transport [diviaion,] [uncertain] the 460th Truck battalion and the 55th Trock Company under his [upervision.] [uncertain]

[Iefore] [uncertain] returning to the United States Late In 1948, Col. Houston served 22 [monthe] [uncertain] in Munkh as areca transportation officer and 17 months in England. [Alea] [uncertain] reporting to the Washington Organtied Reserve [corpe] [uncertain] was Maj).

[James] [uncertain] J. [Roterteon,] [uncertain] who becomes [traneportation] [uncertain] corps instructor for [the:] [uncertain]

Math Transport Service group, [the] [uncertain]

[ISAth] [uncertain] and [Wet] [uncertain] Harborcraft [compa-}] [uncertain] lies, the [497th] [uncertain] battalion and [at-}] [uncertain] tacked [companics] [uncertain] and the Seattle Dis- turret Transportation office. Major [furbertson] [uncertain] hae

27 months service [in]) [uncertain] Alaska, and prior to coming to [Seat-/1] [uncertain]

BUSINESS SESSION CROCKETT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEET

The [efiter] [uncertain] of the Courver, who hap-! [lpere] [uncertain] te awn lot in the Crockett [Cametery,] [uncertain] hae just received notice of the regular [annuel] [uncertain] meeting of the member of this co-operative organi- [tation] [uncertain] The meeting will be nest Tuesday at 1U a, m on the directors" room of the [Davy] [uncertain] Crockett Huilding am! [aan offiew.] [uncertain]

The Courier believe we should all work toward Improving and beautl- [fying] [uncertain] our cemeteries. How about a more beautiful entrance to the grounds, more gravel on driveways, end shrubbery along [drivewynsT] [uncertain]

Bheuld we not [ack] [uncertain] ourselves the ques- then are we helping of leaving to others to care for the grounds

our [leved] [uncertain] ones [sre] [uncertain] buried [t_] [uncertain]

The regular annual meeting of the members of the Crockett Cemetery association will be held Tuesday,

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renters" [reem] [uncertain] of the Dary [Crockft] [uncertain]

Federal [Bhvings] [uncertain] and" Loan associa- [tion,] [uncertain] for the purposes of electing seven directors and the transaction of such!

ether [bualness] [uncertain] as may [propetiy] [uncertain] come [tefore] [uncertain] the meeting.

Thies le a co-operative organization, each lot owner [entitled] [uncertain] ta vows on tulle am! [warvlations] [uncertain] governing the control and [managemer",] [uncertain] of the cam-artery, as well as the [ele] [uncertain] jon of re- [liahleand] [uncertain] competent directors. At

hie anus meeting the price of lots in the new addition will be fixed, and sum rules changed of amended, so

If [jou] [uncertain] are interested in the place where your loved ones are lake to [reat,] [uncertain] try tu be present.

MRS. THOMPSON BURIAL SATURDAY

Mra. Ollie Thompeon, [1] [uncertain] years old Jand a lifelong resident of the eom- unity where she die, passed away fat her hame on Lavelady Ht. 3 Fri- day Funeral services were [Qell] [uncertain] at

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[ithe] [uncertain] Zinn Hill Weptiel church, religious [lecrviers] [uncertain] Ming conducted by Kev A

H. [Higgintutham,] [uncertain] Interment follow- ef [ns] [uncertain] the [Zion] [uncertain] Hill cemetery. [Hurial] [uncertain] arrangements were in [chase] [uncertain] of [Callalemy] [uncertain] Funeral Home.

Mere Thompeen leaves three sane, [Ylese Thompson] [uncertain] of [Brush Prastte,] [uncertain]

[Lavelaty,] [uncertain] A A. Thompson of [Houstent] [uncertain]

dial Joe [Thompesan] [uncertain] of [Hrush Prairie,] [uncertain] five daughters, Mrs. Minnie [Wari, Meuch Vreute,] [uncertain] Mes. Mary Parrish, [Glendale,] [uncertain] Mex [VBrances] [uncertain] Gates, tour ton; Mee [Mattie] [uncertain] Nosaworthy, [Wallis,] [uncertain] and Mre [Mitte] [uncertain] Campbell, Trinity;

[etegelaughter,] [uncertain] Mee, Nora [Parrish,] [uncertain] [leSlerdate,] [uncertain] a brother, Hud Lane, Brush

Prairie fifteen [gratulehibtren] [uncertain] and ala

OM MICHIGAN

[1]) [uncertain] Mr and Mrs, John A. Bremer and [seOns,] [uncertain] Robert [Jackgon] [uncertain] and David, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, accompanied by Mrs, Velmure Fensley of Detroit, are visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs 1G. U. McClain Sr. They motored down from Michigan after Mr. Hremder completed his law course at [(be) [uncertain]

University of Michigan and took the [Ohio] [uncertain] bar examination. Mr. Breiher land Mrs. Feneley [willratur] [uncertain] to [Michgan,] [uncertain] where bo will take the Michigan bar examination, while [Mrs.] [uncertain] Hremer and the boys remain in [Crockett] [uncertain] for a few weeks. Mrs. Bremer is the [furmnejer] [uncertain] Beth McClain.

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14. Col. Thomas A. Houston. [tle] [uncertain] was transportation officer at Fort) Ord, Callform

Major C. L. Pappas, who hae been) with the WORC [eince Apri] [uncertain] 1947, was recently named [Trapaportation] [uncertain] Corps; Instructor at Large of the Bixth Army for the states of Washington, Oregon, [Idaho] [uncertain] and Montana.

tet Lt. Paul B. Lowney, reserve, [wae] [uncertain] named public information officer for the [Wilat] [uncertain] Majer Vort company.

FOUR CONVICTS CAPTURED EARLY SATURDAY MORNING

Trinity [Standard.] [uncertain]

The four convicts who tied up the assistant steward on [Eastham] [uncertain] State Farm, Saturday morning at about 9 [ocluck] [uncertain] and each in the stewards car, were apprehended an hour end five minutes later seven miles went of Trinity. The capture was made by P. A. Price, city marshal of Trinity, and Roy Pridgeon, State Game Warden, also of Trinity, on the Kittrell-Trinity road.

The bookkeeper on the Eastham farm called Mr. Price shortly after the break, and Price in [tyrn] [uncertain] called the sheriffs department in Crockett, [alse motified] [uncertain] the [Trinity] [uncertain] unit af [hway] [uncertain] Patrolmen, Leshe sad Goadrum. All [officere] [uncertain] responded and within 40 minutes after the break every small road leading from the farm to the

main highway from Trinity to [Crockett] [uncertain] was blocked.

The convicts, all long-terms and considered [sume] [uncertain] of the prison systems worst criminals, offered no resistance when captured. [Al] [uncertain] were still in the ar, and not a shot had to be fired to capture them. The convicts were [lhe] [uncertain] of Leroy Moore, driver of the car, serving 100 years, sentenced [uncertain] from Longview, Dallas, Greenville and [Parje] [uncertain] on charges of robbery and safe [burglary;] [uncertain] Joe Miles Ward, serving 50 years from Sherman on robbery and rape charges; J. H.

Webb, [IOS-year] [uncertain] sentence for burglary [aml] [uncertain] felony theft from Mainview, Del

Rio, [Lubbock and] [uncertain] Brackettville and [Jamon] [uncertain] H. Mitchell, now serving 75 years for robbery with fire arms from Hill, [McClendon,] [uncertain] Anderson and [loaque] [uncertain] counties.

According to City Marshal Irice

Leroy Moore seemed to be a very clever and talkative man. [He asked] [uncertain] he [Intendia] [uncertain] to pay all he owes to so- [clety] [uncertain] and he very anxious to get the

100 peers served in Texas so he can finish a balance due the [Feieral] [uncertain] prison. Then he stated, he you'll be free to find out Just what he [owns Okln-] [uncertain] [homa] [uncertain] for a anal) robbery there.

SOCIAL AND OTHER NEWS OF BELOTT

Mies [Frankie] [uncertain] Mae [Stuehte returned] [uncertain] to [Livingston] [uncertain] after spending the weekend here with her parents

Mrs. H. F. Beathard was in Houston during the past week-end-

[Dii] [uncertain] Mary Frances Davis, a teacher of [Contue] [uncertain] city [echouls,] [uncertain] visited her par-enter [Haturday] [uncertain] and [Sunday.] [uncertain]

[Fricnde] [uncertain] will be glad to note that

Mrs. C. L. Monk, who has been in local hospital with pneumonia, is considered [uncertain] out of danger and is on the

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Mrs. Maude Mason was called to

Houston due to the serious illness of a little grandson there. W. [FL] [uncertain] Ashby, who has been in hospital in Houston, underwent a ma-

Jor operation there last Saturday. Reporter.

[Balding] [uncertain] Permits.

For building [permits,] [uncertain] issued at the [Jeity] [uncertain] hall by [City Secretary] [uncertain] J. D.

Woodson during the month of February, [uncertain] add \$18,450 to the total of new construction in Crockett for 1949. Included [uncertain] are three residences and a commercial building. The [pertmited] [uncertain] are:

Chester McCelvey, [realdence,] [uncertain] Goliad avenue, [J. U. Spruill,] [uncertain] residence, Raster Land [pultivieian.] [uncertain]

Mrs. A. Lehmberg, [realdence,] [uncertain]

Dilly [Lewle] [uncertain] tract.

Hutw Lumber Co. [bullding] [uncertain] in front of lumber office.

9 Years a Home Institution.

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CROCKETT TO HAVE AS GOOD TELEPHONE SYSTEM AS THE BEST

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Sam [Hayward,] [uncertain] city engineer, made a report on [hia] [uncertain] investigation of the Crockett Telephone Company's [blo:] [uncertain] print at last week's meeting of the city council at the city hall February 23. He [sald] [uncertain] that he had been asked by the [council] [uncertain] members to submit the [ptinta] [uncertain] which Loch Cook had [filed:] [uncertain] with the council to a reliable firm [of,]

[uncertain] engineers who would [thoroughly] [uncertain] study the plan and render a decision stating whether or not the [Improve-] [uncertain] if carried out would bring [the, telephone] [uncertain] system of Crockett up [to!] [uncertain] the standards of a city of like [size.] [uncertain] and population of Crockett.

The engineers of Houston promised to find the most reliable [telephone] [uncertain] they could to render an [opinion] [uncertain] and they chose a [Southwestern] [uncertain]

Bell expert. He stated, reported Mr. [Hayward,] [uncertain] that the [cost] [uncertain] of [expense] [uncertain] called for by Mr. [Cooks] [uncertain] blue prints was more than [Bel] [uncertain] would make for a city of comparable size with Crockett. [ett.] [uncertain]

Following Mr. [Hayward's] [uncertain] report Mr. Cook was asked if he had received material to carry out the [plan] [uncertain] for improvement and if he had set a date to begin construction. They asked that he not wait on possibility of sale, but that his improvements begin with-

[illegible or non-text passage omitted — see scan]

Mr. Cook agreed, stating that most materials had been received and that he would immediately begin negotiations [uncertain] for a construction contractor, that he felt work could begin within

[illegible or non-text passage omitted — see scan]

Alderman Buck Sullivan then made a motion which was seconded by Alderman [uncertain] T. D. Craddock and passed unanimously that [verbatim] [uncertain] from minutes taken by City Secretary Dudley Woodson and added to the [public:] [uncertain]

Loch Cook gave the city council a written statement that he will, as of [this] [uncertain] date, initiate negotiations for

SOCIAL AND OTHER: [NEWS] [uncertain] OF LOVELADY

Mr and [Mrs. Jasper] [uncertain] Driskell and family and Mr and Mrs. J. H. King and aeons, were in Galveston Friday fur the Texas Mardi Gras. Larry

King and Linda [Driskell] [uncertain] were Love lady representatives in the junior" court.

Mr and Mrs. Henderson [Whitchred] [uncertain] and family have gone, to Beaumont lo make their home.

Mr and Mrs. L. Beckman and daughter, Carol, and Mr and Mrs. Frank Sullivan of Houston, and Miss

Epste Drent of Beaumont were recent guests of Mr and Mrs. [UB. E.] [uncertain] Brent.

Mrs. Waller Gantt was called to [Cotton] [uncertain] Valley, La. last week by the ines of her mother who passed [jjawny] [uncertain] Friday. Her kiang friends x- tend sympathy. Mr and Mrs. [W.] [uncertain] W. Whatley spent [Jthe] [uncertain] week-end with relatives In [La.] [uncertain]

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Misa Callic Fay Mililken, Houston, Mise Nella Jean Milliken and Byron Stewart of Corpus Christi, were house quest of Mr, and Mrs, A. BR. Milliken Friday through [Sund-y.] [uncertain]

Mrs. V. [LL] [uncertain] Word and Mr. M. [L] [uncertain]

Russell accompanied the M. [Y.:] [uncertain] F group to Crockett lave Monday night.

oMrs. C. C. Allen was taken to a Crockett hospital for treatment last Monday and her daughters, [Mre.] [uncertain]

George [Mc?Psrlan] [uncertain] and Mrs. Jack Swift [lof] [uncertain] Freeport, [Mre-terbert] [uncertain] Allbright of [lfouston] [uncertain] and Mrs. 1. W. Boring,

Gonzales, are visiting at her bedside. Mr and Mrs. J. [BW.] [uncertain] Dodd and family of Cuero, Mrs. B. F. Watson and Mr land Mrs. Bob Hirsch of Waco, have been visiting in the T. N. Malner home. [y] LT.] [uncertain] H. [Mountings] [uncertain] spent Sunday in

[Houston,] [uncertain] and Mrs. J. J. Darron, [whe] [uncertain] Thas been spending the winter there, [rtaccompanied] [uncertain] him home.

Mrs. George Shaver of Grapeland [I] [uncertain] visited [ber] [uncertain] aunt, Aira, A. M. Jeter, flower the week-end.

Miss [MaxMme] [uncertain] Baber of Houston been visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. Chas. Baker.

Little [Miss] [uncertain] Catherine Allen of Hous- ton spent several days lest week with her [grandparenta,] [uncertain] Mr and Mrs. Jos

My and Mrs. W. A. Stevenson and [sichildren] [uncertain] of Port Arthur spent the week-end in [tha] [uncertain] C. [T. Stavenson] [uncertain] W. R. Stevenson af Conroe visited [ijrelatives] [uncertain] here during the week-end. Mrs. R. T. Peery and mene, [Frances,] [uncertain] of Kemp spent the week-end with her parents, Mr and Mrs. C. H.

Harbes.

Mr and Mes. Hubert Earl [Northibeutt] [uncertain] and daughters, Susanne and

Earline, of Houston have been visiting Mfr and Mrs. John F. Knox and

Mr and Mrs. Earl Lillian of Crockett stand Mr and Mrs. J. W. Knox of Lave-Indy.

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Volume [LX—Number] [uncertain] 10 Service is z in 45 Days.

a contract for the installation of the improvement of the [preacnt] [uncertain] telephone system according to the plans and the blue prints now on file with the city, [thia] [uncertain] contract to call for the commencement of the work within 45 days from this date [(February) [uncertain] 23, 1949), and to until completion, subject to interruptions on account of [nom] [uncertain] delivery of materials, act of God and other matters [ond] [uncertain] the control of the parties, this all with the assure [ance] [uncertain] of Mr. Cook that when completed the city of Crockett [Cy] [uncertain] ye [6]

[uncertain] of [tem] [uncertain] will, in addition to the fore- We ing, be a complete two-wire metal- ke [ayatem,] [uncertain] sufficient to make telephone service available to all within the limit of the city of Crockett, with [al] subscribera] [uncertain] to be furnished with the French type telephones, old styles phones being replaced os goon as replacements now on order are delivered, and all equipment to be such that it can be converted to a dial system as soon as conditions warrant this conversion, this to be done regardless of the consummation by parties of present plan for the gale of the plant. The above and fore going requirements being [auch] [uncertain] as are considered by the city council to constitute a reasonable group cf requirements for expansion and improvement of telephone facilities at the present" tog) time and im the reasonably near fe

Mr: Cook [agred] [uncertain] that he would file a written statement such as was ask- ed for by the motion and that be was commencing the performance of the project as outlined in the motion and [plana] [uncertain] referred to in the motion and

He pointed out that the telephone company employs a maintenance

crew, but for the blue print construc- ton he would [sct] [uncertain] to work immediately to find m qualified contractor [whe] [uncertain] would have a construction crew able to make the improvements called for by the blue [printa] [uncertain] of the expansion

To

[yor R M.] [uncertain] Sims [preaided] [uncertain] at the meeting. Present besides the ones

named above were Aldermen O. B.

Rhene, Dr. Lyle Thomasson and RB

C. Overstreet. Also City Attornsy

Frank Granberry, Attorney Walter

Morgan, Nat Patton Jr. Albert Daniel,

Frank Satterwhite and W. C. Dobbs o ma

**[IRED CROSS CHAPTER]
[uncertain] RENDERS**

SERVICE

One Saturday morning ao father [cume] [uncertain] to the Red [Cross] [uncertain] office [sayin] [uncertain]

My boy, Dick is in o hospital He had an operation yesterday and the doctor [saya] [uncertain] he has about one chance Sin 100 of surviving. Could you help me get my son home. [Ho] [uncertain] is in the army, stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga."

After getting all the necessary infor- [mation,] [uncertain] and checking [detaile] [uncertain] with the doctor and hospital, the foNowing tab gram was sent Saturday at noon:

Assistant Field Director, [IAmerican] [uncertain] Ked Cross,

Station Hospits), [Fort] [uncertain] Benning, Ga. Request emergency leave Prt. John

C. Doe [L1B83549,] [uncertain] account operation of Brother Dick." Doctor states [Dicks] [uncertain] condition critical. Signed,

Exccutive [Secretary,] [uncertain] Houston County Chapter,

Abou fee Mont a

Il oc [yee ithe] [uncertain] telephone in the Ked Cross office yb rang, end the voice of a grateful few tg i tier said: My boy, John, has arrived Jin Crockett. Many thanks to the Red

Cross." The above la one of the many serv- [Theos] [uncertain] rendered by your local Red Cross, in January and February alone the local Red [Crosa] [uncertain] han served twenty-" one [casea,] [uncertain] taken [caro] [uncertain] of twenty-three. requests and hus had thirty commun- camions. About ono-half of the money do- yl named is kept in Hovaton.county. Toe other [goca] [uncertain] to Nutional [beadquarters,] [uncertain] where it In [disperaecd] [uncertain] for [uso] [uncertain] In dis- masters much us floods, [tornadvca,] [uncertain] explosions such [a»] [uncertain] the Texha City die aster, hurricanes, [otc.] [uncertain] A great deal ja being [apent] [uncertain] on the national bleed

program now being [tnunched] [uncertain] by the national Red Crosa i

Support your Red Croan. Give [gomrroualy,] [uncertain] It lu a friend in [beed!] [uncertain]

Mra. Lilley J. Moore, toe, [Executive Secretary,] [uncertain] be, Houston [Cyuunty] [uncertain] Chapter.

HEARING MONDAY ON

RURAL ROADS BILL

hearing has boen--scheduled by a legislative committee at [7:30] [uncertain] clock Monday sight in Austin om

House Bill 69. This is the bill sponsored by the Texas Rural Roada Aa:

[sociation] [uncertain] for the construction of farm- to-market reads It would levy taxes [Jon] [uncertain] natural resources to provide eve [I}] [uncertain] cnut for the construction of the type Jaf [road...Covnty] [uncertain] Jodge [Ro Belman,—«] [uncertain] who is a district director of the [ame tisoclattan,] [uncertain] requests that,es many te [terested citliona] [uncertain] ax possible attend as tho hearing In Austin Mandsy night