

ST 15, 1947
In and Out
of Town...
Mrs. D. G. Hardt is visiting in Paducah, Texas.
Mrs. Jake Schock of Kerrville was visiting friends here Tuesday.
Dr. J. C. Bredehoff left Friday for Newark, N. J., for a visit with his son.
Mr. and Mrs. Clay Taylor and Miss Edwards were San Angelo visitors Monday.
Mrs. John Northcutt and son of McCamey were visiting in Rankin Monday.
Tom Workman flew to Sweetwater Sunday where he purchased a new plane.
Mrs. O. C. Puckett returned home Tuesday from a visit in Wortham, Texas.
Bobby Bell left Wednesday for a few days visit in Schulenburg and Texas City.
Mr. Max Schulze of Lubbock was a weekend visitor in the Elizabeth Rains home.
Mrs. M. O. Wheeler had the misfortune of falling last week and breaking her arm.
Mrs. Zack Monroe attended the wedding of Miss Mildred Brinson in Midland Saturday.
Roy Lee Bell, Jr., left Thursday for New London and Texas City for a two weeks vacation.
R. H. Johnson, Jr., of Phoenix, Ariz., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnson, Sr.
Miss Mary Ann Workman, Miss Jean Edwards and Miss Mary Alice Bell of Midland were visiting their parents over the week end.
Mrs. Sam Swain and daughter, Jean, of Houston arrived Tuesday for a visit with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Rhoads.
Mrs. D. H. Mitchell, Mrs. H. E. Ramsey and children, all of Carthage, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mitchell last week.
Mrs. Jack Smith and granddaughter, Jackie, left by plane Tuesday for Rochester, Minn., where Jackie will enter St. Mary's Hospital.
J. W. Langford left Wednesday for Ringling, Okla., where he was called on account of the death of his sister.

Your Congressman Will Be Elected Saturday! Vote!

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School Amendment, Race For Congress Issues In Saturday Election

With interest mounting rapidly as busy candidates make final swings over the 16th Congressional District, the special election to name a congressman to succeed R. E. Thomason of El Paso, who resigned to accept a federal judgeship, will be held next Saturday in connection with the state-wide vote on the proposed college building amendment.

Seven candidates, one from Midland, and another from Odessa and five from El Paso, seek the congressional post. All are Democrats. The race will be determined without a runoff; the candidate receiving the largest number of votes being elected.

In Upton County the six voting polls will be open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Upton County voting places and judges are as follows:

Pre. No. 1, Box 1, in the Court House in Rankin, B. R. Cox, election judge.

Pre. No. 2, Box 2, Masonic Building, Rankin, Norman Elrod, election judge.

Pre. No. 3, Box 3, McElroy Ranch, R. S. Windham, election judge.

Pre. 3, Box 4, Mexican School House in McCamey, Mrs. Dick Tipton, election judge.

Pre. 4, Box 5, Rodman Supply in McCamey, J. G. Herrington, election judge.

Pre. 4, Box 6, High School in McCamey, S. R. Braly, election judge.

Voters are requested to bring poll tax receipts to the voting places with them in order to avert any unnecessary delay.

Interest in the college building amendment is lagging and the congressional candidates and their supporters are making efforts to get out a representative vote. A comparatively light vote is expected in most of the counties in the district, according to the reports.

Specifically, the amendment calls "to amend Art. VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas, adding Sections 17 and 18 providing for the levying of a state ad valorem tax on property in lieu of the present state ad valorem tax of seven (7c) cents for

Confederate pensions in order to create special funds necessary for the payment of Confederate pensions and for the financing of the construction and equipment of buildings and other permanent improvements at state institutions of higher learning, in the amounts of two (2c) cents and five (5c) cents respectively; providing for a five (5c) cent reduction of the maximum allowable state tax on property, making such tax not to exceed thirty (30c) cents on the one hundred (\$100.00) dollars valuation; providing a method of payment for the construction and equipment of improvements and building at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and the University of Texas."

Of the seven candidates in the Congressional race, Ken Regan of Midland seems to have a popular following in the sparsely settled portions of the oil area in the large 16th district, while J. W. Metcalfe of Odessa has a local following in his home city. The remaining five candidates from El Paso have their large support coming from various portions of El Paso and factions in the other remaining counties. The remaining roster of candidates for the post include Victor Gilbert, Woodrow Bean, Ord Gary, Louis Fail and Pat Hargrove, all of El Paso.

A recent change in the precinct divisions of the county have changed the place of voting for many of the voters of Upton County, and elsewhere in this issue is a complete list of all changes. Read it carefully and be sure you are voting at the right box.

Vote early or late, but be sure and vote!

Mr. and Mrs. James Maddox and family of Schulenburg, Texas, were visitors in the R. L. Bell home over the weekend.

William Bridges of Cuero, Texas, was a visitor in the R. L. Bell home Tuesday. Mr. Bridges has just returned from Japan where he has served for the past two years and was en route home.



Mrs. Elizabeth Rains announced the approaching marriage of her daughter, Reba Lou, to Max G. Schulze, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Schulze of Artesia, New Mexico, early this week. The ceremony will be read by the Rev. R. L. Herring in the First Methodist Church in Rankin, Sunday morning, August 31. The bride's only attendant will be Mrs. Charles Kappleman of Alpine, while the groom will have his brother, Perry Schulze, as best man.

Precincts Changed In Upton County By Commissioners' Court

In their first bi-monthly meeting held in Rankin, the Upton County Commissioners' Court gave unanimous approval to changing the lines of the four precincts of Upton County.

After a lengthy deliberation, Precincts 1 and 2, which affect the voting population of the Rankin area, were revised to their status of 1941 after voiding the alterations made by the Commissioners' Court in 1943. These were the important changes in the Rankin area.

In McCamey, about 300 of the voting population will be affected by the change. Previous to the change, the dividing line between Precincts 3 and 4 entered McCamey on Burleson Ave. to the intersection with Fifth St., thence west to John St., thence south to the Crockett County line.

Under the change, the dividing line of Precincts 3 and 4 will enter McCamey on Burleson Ave. and down the Iraan highway to the Crockett County line. All persons residing to the west of Burleson Ave. will vote in the Mexican School house in Precinct 3, while those living to the east of Burleson Ave. will vote at the McCamey High School box in Precinct 4.

These changes will be effective on Aug. 21, 1947, and the changed procedure will be used in the special election to be held Saturday, Aug. 23.

Be sure and check your residence and go to the right poll in casting your vote in the election tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schmidt of Ozona were visitors in the Bill Moore home over the weekend.

Mrs. Ray Boggs Gives Slumber Party For Daughter Last Monday

Mrs. Ray Boggs entertained with a birthday and slumber party for her daughter, Gay Nelle, on her 11th birthday in her home Monday night. Present for the birthday party were Kenneth Smith, Joe Garner Loftin, L. B. Wartenback, John L. Schlagal, Rue Gambin, Dan Blue, Beverly Wartenback, Amariyiss Harrell, Ann Shaw, Wanda June Burleson, Esther Clark, Betty Ann Miller, Gail Horton, Ovella Huffman, and Gaynelle.

Cake and punch were served at the birthday party.

Upton County 4-H Girls Vie In Dress Revue

Paula Osburn of McCamey came out first in the Upton County 4-H Dress Revue held recently in connection with their county encampment. Paula's dress was of pastel plaid gingham made with a low gathered neck line and small puff sleeves. With the dress she wore a wide leather belt. Those judging the dresses pronounced the workmanship on Paula's dress was just about perfect.

In second place in the revue was Mona Sue Branch of Rankin who wore a brown striped chambray, attractively made and nicely fitted. Florence O'Callaghan of McCamey was third wearing a figured print decorated with bands edged in rick rack and ending with bustle-like bows in the back.

In class B were Marlene Holmes of Rankin and Patsy Copen of McCamey. Class C was Eileen House of McCamey and Pansy Smith of Rankin.

Each girl received a small gift as a memento of the occasion.

Regan Cites Record As Campaign Nears Close

The 16th Congressional District race for Congress went into the stretch late this week as one of the hottest fights for the Washington assignment seen in this district for years.

Big, amiable 54-year-old Ken Regan, who prides himself on his background in oil, farming, ranching and public affairs, was one of the principal contenders for the congressional post. A resident of Pecos for 24 years, he now lives in Midland.

Regan is basing his campaign on the contention that he is more qualified to represent all interests and sections of the district than any other candidate.

He points out that at 54 he is old enough to give mature representation but young enough for energetic and capable follow-through.

He says he is the only one of the seven candidates with experience in Washington. He calls attention to his performance in making the Red Bluff Dam a reality and his success in bringing a federal building to Pecos.

He argues that he is the only candidate with experience in more than one field. While most of his time during 27 years in West Texas has been spent drilling wildcats, he also owns substantial property which he leases for farming and grazing. He marketed the first carload of Pecos cantaloupes in New York City in 1931.

He cites his record in Austin, where he served as state senator for four years, put through the senate 70 of the 700 bills as passed by the legislature during the first year of his term, got action on a refund to farmers of \$500,000 due them for several years for payment on a fumigation tax, and was elected president of the state senate as the first freshman senator ever to be given that honor. He is proud that none of the legislation he sponsored in the senate on behalf of West Texas was ever opposed by a senator from East Texas.

In regard to this last point, Regan says:

"Sometimes it takes a man with diplomacy as well as fighting ability to get the job done. The Hon. R. E. Thomason, who held the congressional post ably for 17 years, made an excellent record in Congress, but he didn't do it with blustering speech-making and empty promises. Mr. Thomason was no flash-in-the-pan exhibitionist. And I believe my experience in working with all kinds of people and securing their cooperation through plain friendliness and honest effort, together with my background in business and public affairs, qualifies me to represent this district in Washington better than any other candidate."

Regan laughs off sectional jealousy with a story about the rivalry between Fort Worth and Dallas and relates how he saw a sign in a Fort Worth hotel reading, "Be sure to lock your door nights—neighboring cities report sneak thieves." He concludes the anecdote with a promise to represent all sections and interests in the district with equal vigor.

Regan exposes as false a rumor that, if elected, he would push a series of transcontinental highways that would by-pass El Paso and other cities if and when the depression came. He labels this rumor as one of the many smear attempts without foundation put out by opposition.

He lambasts candidates who makes false claims and says, "I do not offer the worn out catch phrases and phoney promises to hang the moon, put two chickens in every pot, carry the atomic bomb in my hip pocket—that some candidates like to offer before election and promptly forget if elected."

He is optimistic about the future of the oil business in West Texas and says, "West Texas and New Mexico are generally regarded in the U. S. as the last great potential undeveloped and

unexplored oil and gas reserve, which is of importance to the nation not only because of an impending petroleum shortage but because of requirements of our armed forces for national defense."

He says that his moderate success in the business world has left him with sufficient financial independence so that he is obligated to no group, interest or person for support voluntarily given in this campaign.

"Consider the man and the position he is seeking," he says, "and when the votes are counted Saturday night, I hope Ken Regan will have the honor of being your next representative in Washington."

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jordan and Mrs. R. O. White returned home Sunday from the Davis Mountains where they attended the Bloys encampment.

Miss Mary Northcutt and Miss Myrna Holman attended the Bloys encampment over the weekend.



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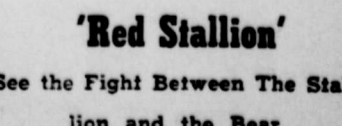


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Veterans News

Automatic increases will be paid effective Sept. 1 in the minimum allowances received by the more seriously disabled veterans enrolled in educational and training courses under government sponsorship, VA announced today.

The increased rates, which will be reflected in September checks received on or after Oct. 1, were voted by the last session of Congress and signed into law by the President.

The law requires no action by disabled trainees entitled to the

higher rates because of the automatic nature of the increases.

The new law provides that a veteran enrolled in a course under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act (Public Law 16), whose disability is rated at 30 per cent or higher, will receive \$115 per month if he has no dependents, and \$135 if he has one dependent.

The old law allowed \$105 and \$115 for the same two categories; but, while these rates are superseded by the new schedules for the more seriously disabled, they will continue to apply to veterans with disabilities rated at less than 30 per cent.

The new law also raises the amounts authorized for additional dependents of veterans with disabilities of 30 per cent or more. The additional allowance for one child is increased from \$10 a

month to \$20, and the previous allowance of \$7 a month for each additional child is raised to \$15. No change is made in the \$14 monthly allowance for a dependent parent.

The new law does not change the basic provisions for awarding payments to disabled veterans pursuing a course of training under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. These provisions are:

While a veteran is in training, and for two months after his employability is determined, he receives a subsistence allowance of \$65 a month if he has no dependents, or \$90 a month if he has one or more dependents, in addition to his disability compensation.

In case the compensation plus the allowance do not total \$105 or \$115 for those with disabilities

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of less than 30 per cent, or \$115 or \$135 for those with disabilities of 30 per cent or more, an additional sum is paid to make up the difference. The sum is further increased if there is more than one dependent.

The veteran in job training may retain whatever wages are paid him, but if his salary plus his

subsistence allowance exceeds the wage of a beginning trained journeyman, VA will reduce his subsistence allowance proportionately.

If the veteran-trainee is enrolled in school, his tuition and fees are paid by VA, and his books and supplies are provided by VA.

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The people of the Sixteenth Congressional District are called upon to select a successor to Rep. Thomason, who has been named to the U. S. District Court Bench. The election will be called by the Governor, and all qualified voters, regardless of political affiliation, may vote, and the high man wins, without a runoff. After much consideration, I am asking to be elevated from my present position as County Judge of El Paso County to that of Congressman, based on my long years of faithful service to the people whom I seek to serve and my qualifications for that high office. In seeking promotion, I do so with a grateful heart for the honor, trust and confidence that has been reposed in me by electing me as county judge of El Paso, but I feel that a much more vital service awaits me in the halls of Congress, where a greater good and more lasting benefit may crown our efforts, as we work together in a larger field.

EXPERIENCE: (there is no substitute for it) My four years as county judge of Callahan County—six years in the State Legislature—ten years with the Interstate Commerce Commission—my present position as County Judge of El Paso County—and other public activities—together with my lifetime residence in the Southwest, amply qualifies me to reflect the true sentiment and views of the men and women who have made this country great. No period in all our National History of more than 160 years has been confronted with graver problems or more decisive issues: the atomic bomb, world confusion and unrest, starving millions, unsigned peace treaties, etc., are some of the issues before our Congress, and their wise and God-fearing solution will determine the future destiny of not only our own country, but of mankind as well.

SOIL CONSERVATION AND FLOOD CONTROL: Tenable as well as ranch lands must be protected from erosion and waste. Since destruction from this source is due from natural causes, its prevention is properly a subject of Federal concern, and should be fully recognized.

COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING: I am definitely committed to an efficient Universal Military Training Program, through which the youth of our land may be taught the art of National Defense and Offense and the use of modern weapons and methods. I hate war, for I have seen its horrors, but this country must never be caught in the weakened and unprepared condition it was in on December 7, 1941. Neither do I like insurance, but the prudent man would not be without it.

THE EG-SERVICEMAN: is not a beggar; he only asks an even break in order to regain the slack in society and business he lost by reason of his service. The over a million wounded, disabled and injured veterans are our very own, to keep and care for with tender hands and loving hearts. Being a veteran myself, I speak from experience.

LABOR AND CAPITAL: Without the one there could not be the other. Legislation that does not recognize the rights of each, is very unwise. Greedy management and racketeering labor leaders both must be subdued. Government is an umpire, not a coach.

YOUR STATE TAXES DOUBLED

The State Tax Rate This Year Is 72c On \$100 Valuation

Last Year the Rate Was 37c

Who Said, "No New Taxes"?

VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

Saturday, August 23rd

AGAINST

An Additional 5c Tax

On Saturday, August 23, an amendment to the constitution of the State of Texas will be voted on to allocate 5c of the authorized 7c Confederate pension tax to finance a building program for State owned colleges other than the University of Texas and Texas A. & M.

An Additional Tax

"They" say this is not a new tax, but you have not been paying it for many years. It certainly will be an additional tax you have not been paying. If voted by the people of Texas on August 23, it will be added to your 72c State tax, making a total of 77c on the \$100 valuation.

Small Taxpayers Pay

The veteran, the farmer, the small home owner, the laborer, the small business man, everybody will have to pay this 5c tax in addition to the 72c State tax, if this amendment carries. This State tax is in addition to local taxes—County taxes—School taxes—City taxes—and perhaps others.

Will Not Provide Buildings

If passed, this 5c additional tax will not provide adequate and sufficient buildings at today's cost of construction. In the next 10 years West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon MIGHT get \$487,200. The College of Mines at El Paso MIGHT get \$423,000. Sul Ross at Alpine MIGHT get \$189,000. Texas Technological College at Lubbock MIGHT get \$1,500,000 in these 10 years.

An Unnecessary Tax

This is an unnecessary tax. By a diversion of the so-called Permanent University Fund more buildings can be built at all the State owned colleges than this tax will provide. They also can be built much sooner. And the State University and Texas A. & M. still can get more buildings than they can use.

42 Counties Exempt

42 of the State's richest counties pay no ad valorem taxes for State purposes. Many of these counties are in West Texas.

W H Y?

Should you pay another unnecessary 5c tax when 42 of the State's 254 counties will not be paying to help our State colleges.

Help Colleges—Vote Against

You will actually be helping all 14 of our State colleges if you vote against this amendment. All these colleges can and will get more money by regular appropriations if this amendment is defeated than they could get by the passage of this 5c tax amendment. Your vote against the amendment will help instead of hurt these 14 State colleges.

DON'T BE LED ASTRAY

Do not be led astray by this proposed amendment which levies a 5c tax on your property for 30 years and saddles a \$45,000,000 debt on you and all other taxpayers. If passed, this amendment will open the flood gates of the State treasury to dozens of new colleges and you again will pay the bill.

Go Vote Saturday, August 23rd

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