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# THE RANKIN NEWS

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CHARLES B. MOORE

## Charles B. Moore, Del Rio, Announces For State Senator

State Representative Charles B. Moore, merchant and farmer of Del Rio, Texas, today announced his candidacy for the State Senate, 29th Senatorial District, composed of 27 West Texas counties. The post is now held by Senator H. L. Winfield of Ft. Stockton, Texas, who has stated that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Moore has been active for several years in governmental and civic affairs. He is a member of several important committees of the House of Representatives and has been active in the effort to eradicate the hoof and mouth threat now facing the livestock raisers in counties composing the district and other parts of the state.

During the last war, Mr. Moore was with the War Department, Intelligence Division, assigned to the Army Air Corps.

Mr. Moore says, if elected, he will continue to use his best efforts for the benefit of his constituents and the public welfare generally.

Mr. Moore plans to make a vigorous campaign and says that while it will be impossible to personally contact each voter in the district, which, incidentally, is the largest district in the state, he expects to see as many as possible and inform the voters of his platform and views on government from time to time in the press, on the radio and by public addresses.

## Sadler's Race For Senate Leaves Jester Without Major Foe

AUSTIN.—Gov. Beauford H. Jester nears the end of his first year in office without one prospective major opponent for re-election in sight.

The announcement of Rep. Harley Sadler of Sweetwater that he will run for the Senate seat now held by Pat Bullock of Colorado City apparently eliminated him finally as a candidate for governor.

Sadler had been mentioned as a likely candidate for a group of West Texans who were put out with Jester because he favored the college building amendment. They were joined by others who had blamed the governor for the Legislature's final failure to enact several appropriations measures known as the "ghost bills."

With Sadler now evidently committed to another race, this group apparently has no other candidate.

## Woodrow Bean Seeks Congressional Post

Woodrow Bean of El Paso Saturday announced that he will be a candidate for Congressman from the 16th District of Texas, subject to the Democratic primary on July 24.

Bean, a member of the Texas Legislature, was the runnerup to Rep. Ken Regan of Midland in last year's special election to fill the congressional seat vacated by R. E. Thomason of El Paso.

## W. J. St. Clair Dies At Ladonia Tuesday

W. J. St. Clair of Ladonia died Tuesday at 3 p. m. after an extended illness. He is the father of Mrs. John Christy of Rankin. Mrs. Christy has been with him for several weeks. Funeral services will be in Ladonia Wednesday p. m.

## Officers And Directors Of Rankin Bank Are Named At Meetings

Officers and directors of the First State Bank of Rankin were re-elected at the annual meeting of stockholders and directors at Rankin Wednesday. They are J. M. Lackey, president; J. P. Rankin, vice president; Dunn Lowery, executive vice president; and Johnnie Hurst, Alma Adams and Odessa Edwards, assistant cashiers.

D. S. Anderson, formerly with the State Banking Department, was named cashier, and will assume his duties Jan. 26.

Directors are J. M. Lackey of Barnhart, H. M. Noelke of Mertz, O. W. Parker of Iraan, and J. P. Rankin, H. F. Neal, Dunn Lowery and B. S. Taylor of Rankin.

Other employees of the bank are Ann Taylor, Clois Baxter, and Mrs. Tom Workman.

The Rankin bank experienced one of its best years in 1947, paying a 26 per cent dividend to the stockholders. Deposits now total more than \$3,000,000.

Employees were granted an increase in salary at the Wednesday meeting. They also were given a bonus of 10 per cent of their annual salaries in December.

The bank recently acquired additional property on which it is planned to build its banking quarters in the near future.

## New Picture Show For Rankin Underway

The work on the picture show for Rankin is well underway. Mr. Ford Taylor, who is the "picture show man," is quite enthusiastic about the work and will have new equipment and always sees that his shows have the very best of pictures to be found. He has shows in Ballinger, also one under construction in Big Lake. Rankin people will be glad to have a show at home after being without for a number of years.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE NEW PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Rankin, of Rankin, are parents of a 7 lb. girl, born Monday, Jan. 19, at 4:22 p. m. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Scott of Rankin. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rankin of Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garner are parents of an 8 lb. 1 1/2 oz. son born Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 3:40 p. m. He has been named John Howard. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dossey of McCombe. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. J. W. Garner and the late Mr. Garner of Rankin.

## Rankin News Notes

Mr. Sam A. Holmes of the McCombe school faculty was at home with his parents in Rankin over the weekend.

Mrs. S. O. Langford and small son, Robert Milton, are at home from the McCombe hospital.

Miss Kathleen Wheeler is in Alpine with her sister, Mrs. Lewis Norris, and will also visit with Mrs. C. C. Brown, a former school mate, while in Alpine.

Mrs. Ray Dunlap of Ozona has been visiting in the homes of her father, B. S. Taylor, her sister, Miss Maggie Taylor, and brother, C. G. and Clay Taylor, the past weekend.

Mrs. Dave Gentry, who has been in Big Lake for several days, returned to her home in Rankin Wednesday. While in Big Lake, she visited friends in Menard and also in Sonora.

Mrs. Hazel Yocham has returned from San Angelo where she has been with her mother, Mrs. Scarborough, who has been very sick.

Mr. Joel Starnes of Fort Worth has been attending to business and visiting with old friends here the past week.

## NEWS County Home Demonstration Agent Texas A. & M. College Extension Service

By MYRNA HOLMAN

### THE OUTLOOK FOR 1948

Last week we attended an agent's conference in El Paso. Part of the program was a report of the outlook conference held in Washington a short time ago, reported by Tyrus Timm, economist with the Texas Extension Service. Here is some of the hope as they have it figured out. Don't blame us if it turns out differently—in fact, we hope some of it does.

To begin with, they expect beef to be higher than in 1947, with a very good chance that it will be rationed on a point basis before summer. That would not be price control but they think would tend to lessen the demand for the better grades of meat since points would be greater on these cuts. Poultry and pork prices they think will be about the same with vegetable prices lower.

The economists expect the overall cost of living to go up about ten per cent in 1948, that full employment will likely continue, and that building materials will still be high. In fact, they think that building materials will not go down enough to count in the next three or four years, so they recommend that if anyone is planning to build, they had better start now, since the chances of paying out a place in the next five years will be better than for most any other period.

Their final estimate is that when the boom is over there will be a gradual settling down rather than the bottom dropping out. This they think will be because the people will choose more government participation rather than a complete collapse.

Well, there they are for what they are worth. It might at least be interesting to check and see how well they have guessed.

### DO YOU HAVE A FRUIT TREE?

If you have fruit trees about the place, now is the time to check up and see if there is any sign of San Jose scale on the tree—that's the tiny white scale that causes the limbs to look as if they might have ashes sprinkled on them and causes them to die rather rapidly during the growing season. The only time that much can be done with this scale is during the dormant season—that means right away. Commercial winter oil emulsion or lime sulphur spray can be used. Either of your county extension agents will be glad to give you the formulas or come by and look at your trees.

This is also the time to prune fruit trees or any shrubs you may have about the place. The agents will also be glad to get you started on that job. They may be contacted by phone or letter.

### MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Jan. 26, is 4-H Club meeting day. The McCombe group meet at 10:30 a. m. and the Rankin girls at 3:15 that afternoon. All girls are to bring materials for making some article for a standard bed. Many of them will make pillow and comfort protectors. They will start the work at the club meeting and continue it either at home or at special work meetings they may plan.

Wednesday, Jan. 28, is the regular meeting date for the Garden HD Club. Their program will be pressing problems.

Mrs. Grace Martin, District Agent with the Texas Extension Service with headquarters at Ft. Stockton, will be in the county on the 29th and is eager to meet as many of the women as she can. She may also be here for a part of the day Wednesday, the 28th.

Miss Alice Midkiff of Rankin is now employed by the First National Bank of Midland.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains was called to Comanche last week to be with her mother, Mrs. Gunter, who is quite ill there.

## TPA Mid-Winter Convention Speakers—January 31



**HEADLINERS** Feature speakers on the Texas Press Association's Mid-Winter Convention program, January 31, at the Baker Hotel in Dallas, will be the three newspaper executives pictured above. Mrs. Irene Simms Reid, center, advertising director of the Monroe (La.) News-Star-World, will address the Texas editors on the subject of "The Community Story on Public Relations." She is nationally known for her accomplishments in advertising and selling. O. H. Lachenmeyer (right), will present a publisher's viewpoint of an active state press association. He is owner of the Texas City (Tex.) Sun, the San Benito (Tex.) Cameron County News, the Cushing (Okla.) Daily Citizen, and is president of the Oklahoma Press Association. W. R. Rutherford (left), publisher of the Dumas (Tex.) Moore County News, will discuss "Needed Legislation." Rutherford is the immediate past-president of the Panhandle Press Association.

## Silver Dollars Jingle In Ken Regan's Pockets

WASHINGTON.—Silver dollars always jingle in the pockets of Rep. Ken Regan of Midland. He says it is a habit from the old days in West Texas when he kept at least four on hand, so he could start up a washer pitching game whenever he wanted. The silver "cartwheels" are a novelty here and are sure to draw comment when you offer them in the stores. Regan gets several shiny new ones, dated 1922, each time he cashes his pay check in the House Sergeant of Arms "bank" in the capitol. The hard money is kept on hand for a number of Western congressmen who want it.

## Upton County Chapter American Red Cross Names Fund Chairman

At a called meeting of the board of directors and officers of Upton County Chapter, American Red Cross, held at the Lions Club hall Tuesday evening of this week, H. S. Fitzgerald, principal of the local high school, was named Fund Campaign Chairman, succeeding Gerald McGuire, who resigned upon his removal to Kermit some months ago. At the same meeting, Mary Jo Hodges was named Home Service Chairman of the local chapter, succeeding Marye Shirley, who resigned upon leaving the state. Lloyd Bowden was named secretary and treasurer, succeeding Mary Jo Hodges, who resigned to accept the chairmanship of the home service work.

In addition to those named above, Upton County Chapter officers are:

C. G. Forester, Chapter Chairman.

Mrs. Fred Gibson, vice chairman.

H. H. Tanneberger, disaster chairman.

Mrs. John Kellerman, war production chairman.

Howard E. Stoker, chairman of Jr. Red Cross.

Cuthbert Carll remains publicity chairman.

The McCombe directors are: George Ramer, Mat Dillingham, and Jack Ott, while the Rankin branch directors remain: Dunn Lowery, Stanley Eddins and Tom Workman.

A district supervisor is scheduled to be in McCombe Thursday and Friday of this week to assist the local chapter in arranging for the annual fund campaign to be conducted throughout the county in March.

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## "DO NOT CROSS THE YELLOW LINE," NEW PASSWORD TO SAFER DRIVING



Mrs. Melvin Puckett, formerly Viola Welling, whose recent marriage took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Welling, of Rankin, in a double ring ceremony read by Rev. D. G. Hardt. The couple are now making it home in Rankin, after a wedding trip to Houston and other points.

## Republic Natural Gas Buys Spread In East-Central Upton County

Republic Natural Gas Co. of Dallas recently acquired oil and gas leases on a spread of 1,120 acres in E C Upton County in the vicinity of the Slick-Urschel Oil Co., Plymouth Oil Co., Fred Turner, Jr., et al, No. 1 Alford, discovery for flowing production from the Ellenburger, to open the Benedum field.

The Republic deal was made with Mrs. Rosa Half Barnett of Brookline, Mass. It covers the north half of section 40, TCRR survey; the SW quarters of section 39, TCRR survey; all of section 3, GC&SF survey, block Y, except the SW quarter of the section, and the SE quarter of section 6, block A, CCSD&RNGNG survey.

The closest one of those leases is about two miles NE of the Benedum field discovery.

No official or verified information has been released on this deal. Rumors have indicated that the purchase was made in a sealed bid auction. It is reported that the Republic bid was the highest.

Unsubstantiated reports say that the payment of a bonus of \$447 per acre was included in the transaction. Those same sources indicate that the landowner retained an over ride of 3-16th of 7-8th of the oil that may be produced from the acreage.

Some of the leases are for two year terms and some are for three year periods. It is reported, without verification, that the leases call for the drilling of a deep exploration on each quarter section in the spread.

AUSTIN.—Officials of the Texas Highway Department Thursday told the story about the bright yellow lines now being seen by motorists every day throughout the vast 27,000 mile system of paved highways.

"The new yellow no-passing line being put down on our highways is a double indemnity device," State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer stated.

"It gives a flashy and obvious warning of danger to the motorist who wants to protect his own life and the lives of others," he explained, "and it gives the police something definite on which to jail or punish the driver who apparently cares little for his life and thereby endangers the lives of innocent motorists in the other lane."

Last year President Truman's Highway Safety Conference urged the states to concentrate on improvement of highway center stripes in a major attempt to reduce the ghastly toll of accidents due to head-on collisions and sideswiping.

In all states the color was changed to yellow, which texts have shown is more visible in all kinds of weather than any other type of marking. This yellow color is used also to impress the motorist that where yellow is seen on the road it must not be crossed.

65,000 gallons of yellow paint are being used by the Texas Department's painting crews to mark these non-passing zones. The painting operations have been under way since November and are now moving rapidly toward completion.

Highway Department officials pointed out the state-wide yellow striping program for non-passing zones is considered the best method from the engineering point of view for temporarily combating the traffic accident menace on the highway system.

The officials are hopeful the traveling public will soon become "yellow line conscious," since crossing the yellow line is not only an invitation for loss of life and limb, but is a violation of Texas law under the new uniform traffic code making violators liable for a maximum fine of \$200.

"Do not cross the yellow line," is the new password to safer driving.

## Mrs. Tyson Midkiff Host To W. M. U. Monday At 3 P. M.

The WMU of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Tyson Midkiff Monday at 3 p. m. for regular meeting.

The program for the day was under the leadership of Mrs. Monroe. "Service Royal" was the theme carried out in the Royal Service program and was enjoyed by all present.

## Mayor Pearl Rankin Receives Letters From London "Lonelies"

Pearl Rankin, Mayor of Rankin, received the following letter from five English girls who now reside in London, England:

Dear Sir: We are five English girls and would like to correspond with five young men of your town. We don't know what kind of place it is. We just picked Rankin off of a map of Texas. We would like to hear all about your part of the world and what you do. Being that Rankin is in Texas, we thought maybe there are, what we English girls call "cowboys" (like we see in the films) living there and would be very pleased to hear from them. We are all very fond of open air life and animals, especially horses. If possible, we would like the young men to be between 18 and 24 years of age. We will also exchange photos. I hope, sir, that you will do your best for us. So good bye and wishing you a very happy New Year.

Hoping to hear from you soon, "FIVE LONELIES."

P. S. Our names, addresses and ages follow:

Miss Eva Hayes, age 18 years  
23 Grant St.  
Plaistow E-13  
London, England

Miss Margaret Turner, age 18 years  
co. 42 Rochester Ave.  
Upton Park E-13  
London, England

Miss Rose Spray, age 20 years  
44 Sheppard St.  
Canning Town No. E-16  
London, England

Miss Ada Madlin, age 22 years  
42 Rochester Ave.  
Upton Park E-13  
London, England

Miss Vera Osbourn, age 18 years  
168 Corporation St.  
West Han E-15  
London, England

Editor's Note: It was quite a coincidence that the girls chose the town that has produced more world champion cowboys than any other town in the United States.

## Motorists Urged To Check Car Exhaust Systems For Leaks

AUSTIN.—To minimize the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning during winter weather, motorists and commercial drivers are urged by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, to check up now on the exhaust systems of their cars for defective connections and leaks.

He said that "warming up" a car in a closed garage is the greatest cause of carbon monoxide deaths. Leaks from manifold connections, cracked manifolds, defective mufflers, leaks from loose muffler connections and leaks from hot air heater connections are potential sources for release of carbon monoxide and should be checked.

"Pay particular attention to these items and remember that proper carburetor adjustment causes minimum production of carbon monoxide and that the highest proportion of this gas is produced by an idling motor."

The State Health Officer said that headaches which occur during long drives may be an indication that carbon monoxide is leaking into the car. Sleepiness, dizziness, fatigue, and in extreme cases, paralysis are other symptoms of carbon monoxide leaking into the car. Truck drivers making long drives are particularly vulnerable, he said.

Dr. Cox described this gas as being colorless and tasteless. When in the air it gives no sign of its presence and is taken into the blood instead of oxygen.



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**Sulfa And Our Animal Population**

"Sulfa drugs, overshadowed by the spectacular achievements of penicillin, are showing a dramatic comeback in the animal kingdom," writes Sydney B. Self, a staff correspondent of the Wall Street Journal.

Varieties of sulfa, he goes on, are leading a resurgence in veterinary medicine, and managing to hold their own in treating humans too. Diseases of both beast and fowl respond to the drug. And—though the city dweller may not realize it—animals suffer not only from diseases confined to their kind, but from such human ailments as colds, flu and pneumonia.

Mr. Self's description of the economic importance of curbing animal diseases is revealing. Losses in the Chicago stockyards alone run to \$50,000,000 a year. Farmers spend some \$125,000,000 annually for veterinary service—yet their losses from a single animal disease, dairy cow mastitis, have totaled as much as \$100,000,000 in a year.

A form of sulfa suited to combating the most serious diseases of chickens is now on sale, and other forms for four-footed beasts will soon be available. It is expected that the stockyards, farms, the government and various organizations will spend enormous sums to cure disease. The effect on the nation's food supply will be beneficial in the extreme. It should give impetus to the efforts of agriculture and the packers to produce and process sufficient meat to balance today's vast demand.

If we stick to our knitting, keep our own economy right side up, explain frankly and fully what we are doing, and act with determination, we can safely leave the hollering to Molotov and Vishinsky.—The Saturday Evening Post.



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**IRAAN NEWS NOTES**

Mr. Homer Boyd is a patient in the San Angelo Clinic.

Larry Powell is sporting a fancy pair of shop-made boots, product of Rameriz's Boot Shop of Odessa.

Mrs. Wanda Lyle, the former Wanda Bingham, dancing class instructor, will resume classes on this Friday after an absence from illness.

Gilbert Webb, special correspondent for the San Angelo Standard-Times, will be guest speaker at the Methodist Church Sunday evening, Jan. 25. Mr. Webb was a war correspondent in the Pacific Theatre of War under McArthur, and is well acquainted in Iraan, having spoken before the Lions Club, and later covered the news interest of the Seventh Annual Sheep Show. He has chosen for his subject for the evening, "Foreign Relations."

Mrs. T. B. Osborne and Mrs. Edna Williams were in Odessa and Midland on business last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Rhinehart and Mrs. Jack Carmichael spent last Sunday in Crane as guests of the Roy Rhineharts.

Wilbur Chalfant of Houston has been a recent visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Colvin and family, minister of the Church of Christ, spent last Tuesday in San Angelo, where they took their daughter for a checkup.

Mrs. E. C. Jennison of Fort Collins, Colo., who has been a guest in the R. E. Simon home for the past ten days, left for San Angelo Wednesday morning where she will visit friends for a few days before returning to her home.

Mrs. J. W. Taylor, bookkeeper at the Trans-Pecos Chevrolet Co., has been absent from her desk the past week from illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Meyers have returned from Belton, Texas, where they have been at the bedside of his mother who has been seriously ill in a Belton hospital. Mr. Meyers reported that his mother was much improved.

Mrs. W. D. Gibbs has been visiting her parents in Lawton.

W. R. Lanehart and son, Brewer, have been victims of the flu the past week.

Maurice Dorris of Odessa, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dorris, of Ohio No. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Deen and son of West Virginia, former Iraan residents, are guests of Mrs. Pauline Anderson.

**THE RANKIN NEWS**

Mrs. B. F. Shaddock was a business visitor in San Angelo last week and was accompanied by Mrs. Roy Petty and Mrs. E. C. Jennison.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Williams has been hospitalized with pneumonia the past week, but was improved as this goes to press.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Gladden had as their guests recently, Mrs. Gladden's brother and wife, C. Ph. M. and Mrs. Paul Wood, of Richmond, Calif. Both families visited friends in Odessa last week.

W. C. Williamson suffered the misfortune of a wrenched knee in December while on the job at the Helemrich and Payne Camp, and has been getting about on a cane until last week when X-rays disclosed the necessity of a cast for four weeks.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Turner, a girl, Dorothy Irene, Jan. 18, at 6 p. m., weight, 7 lbs. 13 oz. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wade of Iraan are the maternal grandparents.

**Game and Fish Assn. Call Statewide Meet**

FREDERICKSBURG, Jan. 15.—The Gillespie County Game and Fish Protective Assn., with headquarters in Fredericksburg, Texas, has called a statewide meeting for Jan. 26 and 27, for the purpose of organizing a statewide Wild Life Protective Assn. General discussions will be had by those in attendance concerning protection and preservation of wild game and fish, building of public preserves for hunting and fishing, relief to the small farmer whose crops are destroyed by the deer and relief for the large rancher who is constantly annoyed by the law violators. In short, it is an open forum to hear the problems confronting all of Texas and outline a plan of correction.

Tom Martin, Fredericksburg, Representative of the 85th District of Texas, has invited the entire House and Senate to attend. Many have accepted. "Our game laws must be streamlined, we have outgrown them, we hope to enact new and more up to date game and fish laws next year, and we can only do this by hearing and understanding the problems of people from all sections of the state. Our tastes are diversified, we have the small boy with his target, the Commercial Fisherman with his problems and the hunter who leases a large ranch but there is room for everyone. We must get together and formulate a plan for the good of all," says Martin. "Among legislative changes contemplated and thoroughly discussed will be a regulatory act that will enable the Game Department to provide protective measures to preserve the game we have. Any and every one interested in the wild life of this state, whether it be from a commercial or a sportsman viewpoint, should attend this meeting. Let's begin to put our state in the class it belongs."

In Minnesota, a domestic conservation license is not required to buy or sell the furs taken from domestic-raised animals.

Tropical hardwoods furnish 9 per cent of all timber cut and used, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION**  
 Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between T. J. Hollis and Gilbert L. Griffin, of Crane, Crane county, Texas, under the firm name of Crane Well Servicing Company and under the firm name of Hi-Way Machine Welding Works, was dissolved on January 1, 1948, by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership whether to Crane Well Servicing Company or to the Hi-Way Machine Welding Works are to be received by the said T. J. Hollis, and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment at the office of the Crane Well Servicing Company and Hi-Way Machine Welding Works in the City of Crane, where the businesses will be continued by the said T. J. Hollis under two separate firm names, to-wit: "Crane Well Servicing Company" and "Hi-Way Machine Welding Works."  
 January 1, 1948.  
 T. J. HALLIS  
 GILBERT L. GRIFFIN

**SHEFFIELD NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Coats are the proud parents of a son born this week in the Iraan Hospital. He weighed 9 1-2 pounds and has been named James Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Sandel have as their guests, their son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Gayland Casey and Sandra.

Stanley Anderson has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Lloyd McIntire was operated on Thursday in a Lubbock hospital. She is said to be recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Westfall have returned to Alpine where Mr. Westfall is employed in a grocery store. They visited with Mrs. Westfall's grandmother, Mrs. C. E. Hale, and Mrs. Westfall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Westfall.

Jim Bursleson visited his mother, Mrs. J. B. Bursleson, in Eldorado this weekend. Mrs. Bursleson is in poor health and is confined to her bed most of the time.

Mrs. Earl Burress and her mother, Mrs. J. C. Knight, have returned from Temple where Mrs. Knight had a thorough checkup. She is said to be feeling better since the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Harkey are spending some time on their ranch near Sheffield. The Harkeys reside in San Angelo.

San Angelo visitors this week are Mrs. Pete Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Holmes, Mrs. Jess Haley and Mrs. Sam Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith had as their guests this week, Mr. Smith's niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Andrews, of Oklahoma City.

**Social Security Field Representative To Be In McCamey**

Jack B. Calvert, Field Representative, Social Security Administration, of San Angelo, will be at the McCamey, Texas, Post Office at 10:00 o'clock a. m. Feb. 18 and March 17. Any one interested may see Mr. Calvert at the above place.

**I will be at the Justice of the Peace Office (Precinct 4) in McCamey through January 31, 1948, for the purpose of selling Poll Taxes and collecting McCamey Property Tax for the year 1947.**

**H. E. ECKOLS, Sheriff,  
 Tax Assessor and Collector,  
 Upton County.**



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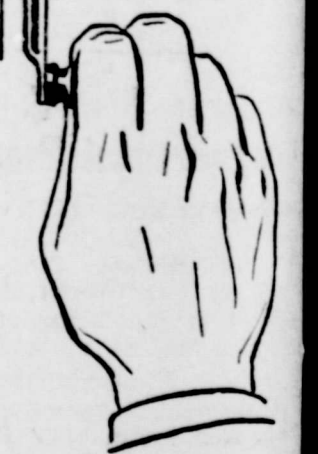
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**Weekly Swing Of Southwest Markets**

Prices ranged lower on most commodities in the Lower Rio Grande Valley the past week in slower trading. Cabbage dropped to a new sensational low of \$15 per ton to growers, and citrus found slow demand. Lettuce lost \$2 to \$3 per crate at Denver. Eggs weakened further during the period. Current receipts brought 40c to 42c per dozen at Dallas and Ft. Worth, 8c to 41c at Denver. Other poultry held steady to firm.

Slaughter steers, yearlings and heifers moved lower at most SW markets, and calves and vealers sold steady to weak. Cows, bulls and replacement classes generally brought strong to higher prices. Houston showed strength in all classes, and good calves cashed at \$24 to \$27. Fort Worth set a new high price of \$28 for top choice calves. Good and choice calves sold at mostly \$23 to \$27 at Fort Worth.

Hogs closed the week at largely 25c to 27c lower prices. Top butcher hogs sold Friday at \$27 at San Antonio, \$27.25 at Fort Worth.

Lambs dropped as much as 50c to \$1 for the week as Ft. Worth and Oklahoma City as other SW sheep and lambs sold mostly steady to \$1 higher. Choice ewes sold up to \$11 at San Antonio.

Wool inquiries increased. Limited fine wool offerings continued in strong demand.

Grains scored sharp net advances for the week. Resumed buying of flour by Commodity Credit Corp. strengthened wheat and continued active feed demand boosted feed grain prices. Most grains rose 10 to 12c a bushel. Rough rice advanced slightly the past week as milled rice remained generally unchanged. Feed prices soared to new high levels with gains of \$5 or more on most ingredients.

**Mrs. M. A. Smith, 96, West Texas Pioneer, Dies In San Angelo**

Mrs. Mary Ann Smith, 96, a pioneer resident of West Texas, died in a San Angelo hospital Thursday night, Jan. 15, at 8:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Smith resided at the home of her son, Will Smith, at Sheffield, for the past ten years. She was born at Salado, Texas, and was the widow of the late Barton Smith, a rancher.

The family moved from Belton, Texas, to Sherwood some 65 years ago and reared a family of 11 children.

The late Jeff Mills, Sr., of Sherwood, was a brother. Dee Locklin of McCamey is a grandson and Mrs. D. M. Price of McCamey, a niece. Mrs. Fayette Shelton of Ozona, formerly Edwardeen Smith, a grandchild, whom she reared from an infant.

Children preceding her in death were Jeff Smith, Walter Smith, Dutch Smith, Boob Smith, Claude Smith, Mrs. Alvah Locklin, and Mrs. Jewel Marshall.

Surviving children include three sons, Will and Ed Smith of Sheffield, and Alf Smith of San Angelo; a daughter, Mrs. Elmer H. Stubblefield of Tankersley, and 30 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**From Sheepskin to Sheep**

There aren't too many college graduates in our town. Good honest thinking, yes...but most folks went from high school into farming.

No harm in that! But I admire veterans like Dick Newcomb... who's 23, but going to college under the G.I. Bill of Rights. Intends to be a sheep farmer—but a better-informed, more scientific farmer, with more know-how!

And veterans like Dick aren't letting anything interfere. What little relaxation they allow themselves is in the form of needed exercise, or

books, or conversation and an occasional glass of beer with friends.

Seems as if, just by having their education postponed, they've put a higher value on it...and on things like temperance (that glass of beer, for instance), understanding, and good citizenship. And from where I sit, when Dick gets his sheepskin—he won't have lost much time. He'll be an even better farmer than his Dad. (Exactly what Dad wanted!)

Joe Marsh

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership between L. D. Wellard and J. M. Fisher was dissolved on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1948. All debts due to the said partnership are to be paid, and those due from the same discharged at P. O. Box 572, in the City of Crane, Texas, where the business will be continued by the said L. D. Wellard, under the firm name of "W & F Construction Co"; That the true and full name of each person conducting and transacting the same is L. D. WELLARD, P. O. Box 572.

Signed this 17th day of January, A. D. 1948.

L. D. WELLARD  
J. M. FISHER

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CRANE

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared L. D. Wellard and J. M. Fisher, known to me as the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that they each executed the same for the purpose and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office, this 17th day of January, A. D. 1948.

(LS) EDITH FLETCHER,  
Notary Public in and for Crane County, Texas.

Filed at 8:45 o'clock A. M. Jan. 19, 1948.

Eugene J. Wasson,  
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# Weekly SURPLUS NEWS WAA

Several tractors, some with farm equipment attachments, and various items of construction equipment, will be included in a \$100,000 sale ending Feb. 7. It was announced this week by the WAA at Grand Prairie. All of the equipment will be sold at fixed prices to veterans and other priority buyers. Locations include Fort Bliss, Camp Hood, and San Antonio as well as government installations in adjoining

states. Listings are currently available at Customer Service Centers throughout the SW zone.

Floyd Sharp, who has headed the program of real property disposal in the Little Rock region, was named this week as associate administrator for the SW WAA zone. He succeeds Col. Frank Palmer, who held the position throughout the tenure of Gen. C. B. Rucker, who retired Jan. 9. The new zone administrator, Col. K. E. Wallace, announced he would press for team work to carry out the gradual zone-wide liquidation of war supplies.

The plant liquidation program of WAA will be concentrated on Jan. 21, 22, 23 at the Phillips Pe-

troleum Plains plant four miles west of Borger, where about \$200,000 worth of residual surplus will be marketed through informal bidding. The property includes four used trucks, to be sold separately, several welders needing repair, hardware, plumbing supplies, and a small amount of hand tools. Bids will be opened and awards made on the 30 lot offering at 11 a. m. Friday, Jan. 23.

Texans in need of housing and building materials will have the opportunity Jan. 27, 28 and 29 at a final clearance sale of surplus Camp Maxey buildings. The sale, comprising 485 structures of the usual GI types, will be non-priority, open to the public with

awards and titles delivered without delay by means of bidding from the floor. More than 110 residents of the North Texas area around the Paris installation were successful at the initial public sale held Dec. 30 and 31, and WAA again will offer the items singly for the benefit of individual buyers.

Thirty-four lots containing thousands of standard automotive and machinery parts are to be sold by competitive bidding ending Jan. 27. WAA announces. Parts of cars, tractors, diesel engines and construction machines are included. Descriptive listings are available by contacting WAA Customer Service Center, Grand Prairie.

Widely sought merchandise, such as tents, scaffolding, soil pipe, light globes and hardware items are included in a combination fixed price and sealed bid offering of the Grand Prairie WAA office closing Feb. 6. In all, goods valued at \$215,000 will be marketed to veterans, commercial buyers and others. The sale will include air conditioning registers, gun scabbards, bed rolls, extension ladders and laundry ironers.

## Ross Maxwell Believes Antelope To Do Good In The Big Bend Park

BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK.—Antelope, transplanted in this park in November by representatives of Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, are going to stay, in the opinion of Dr. Ross Maxwell, superintendent. Trapped in the trans-Pecos area near Alpine, the 60 antelope were released and many have been seen in the park area, Maxwell said.

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## Texas Employment Commission To Hold Exams For Positions

The Merit System Council, which serves as a "clearing house" for positions in the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare, will hold open competitive examinations on Feb. 28, 1948, for a number of positions now open in both agencies, according to C. S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

Positions to be filled by the Department of Public Welfare consist of Field Worker, Child Welfare Worker, and Senior Child Welfare Worker, Junior Stenographer, and Key Punch Operator. Openings existing in the Texas Employment Commission are for Interviewers, Claims Examiners, Technical Draftsmen, Clerk-Typists, Stenographers and Clerks. Qualifications for these positions vary from high school graduation to college work and experience requirements.

Gardiner pointed out that application to take an examination must be made on an official application blank, which may be obtained by writing the Merit System Council, 808 Tribune Building, Austin, Texas, or from the Employment Commission and Department of Public Welfare local offices located throughout the state. "The closing date for submission of applications is Feb. 7, 1948, and applications post-marked after midnight on the closing date will not be considered," he added.

## Hall County Winner of Merit Plaque For 4-H Better Methods Program

The State Extension office has chosen Hall County to receive a merit plaque for reporting the most outstanding 4-H Better Methods Electric program in 1947. The plaque, which is provided by the Westinghouse Educational Foundation, will be presented to the County Extension office at Memphis.

W. B. Hooper Extension Agent in the county, reported that 303 4-H Club members participated in the county-wide program. They analyzed such typical jobs as wiring houses and barns, and using electricity in sawing lumber, digging post holes, lighting dairy terns and for making machines.

## President's Birthday Ball Set For Jan. 30

Upton County March of Dimes Chairman Jess Wade, announced Thursday that the President's Ball will be held at the McCamey Country Club on Saturday night, Jan. 30.

Wade urges all to attend the ball but if you are unable to do so, make your contribution in the handy container which is on display at your favorite shopping place.

Remember, these crippled children need the financial support of all.

Every 38 seconds fire breaks out in the U. S. Every 1 1/2 minutes an American dwelling catches fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kozimer have returned from Houston and hope to be located in Rankin soon. Mrs. Kozimer is the former Miss Evelyn Rains.

## Political Announcements

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Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral and daughters were visitors in Fort Stockton Saturday.

Johnny Rankin is now operator of the Conoco Service Station on Highway 67 until recently it was under the management of Joe McWhorter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hodges and daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Yocham, and her sons were visitors in Kermit over the weekend.

Hazel Yocham was in San Angelo on business the past week.

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Your Poll Tax was not included with your 1947 property assessments. Due to a ruling by the Attorney General of Texas, Poll Taxes will be omitted from the Tax Roll starting with the year 1947.

If you paid your 1947 Property Tax and did not make a special request to pay your Poll Tax at the time, then your Poll Tax is unpaid.

The County Tax Assessor-Collector shall assess all Poll Taxes at the time of payment ONLY by the taxpayer.

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