

THE RANKIN NEWS

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R. D. McSPADDEN

R. D. McSpadden, resident of Rankin since 1928, threw his hat into the political ring this week when he announced for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2. Mr. McSpadden is a graduate of the class of 1932 of the Rankin High School where he was an outstanding football, basketball and track star. He is married and is the father of three children. After seven years of employment with H. Wheeler, Mr. McSpadden went into the welding business for himself. He is now operating the Gulf Service Station.

Dinner And Theatre Party Featured At Rankin B&PW Meet

Members of the Rankin B&PW Club braved the wind and rain last Thursday night, Feb. 26, to attend the club's first social event of the year. The social planned for the occasion was a dinner and theatre party.

Following a potluck dinner at the home of Miss Myrna Holman, the group attended Rankin's new theatre to complete the evening. The unfavorable weather only added to the fun and those present expressed themselves as having a very good time and will be looking forward to future social events of the club.

Mrs. Jackie Pollard and Mrs. Maxine Bennett made arrangements for the social and got out invitations to the group.

Mrs. Harry Barham was welcomed as a new member at this meeting.

The next social event planned by the group is for the fourth Thursday evening in March with a business meeting and program to be given on the second Thursday, March 11.

The Education and Vocations committee in charge.

Volleyball Tourney In McCamey Saturday

The McCamey High School will stage a volleyball tournament in the local gym this Saturday. Imperial, Crane, Grandfalls, Iraan, Rankin, Monahans, Ft. Stockton and McCamey have entered their teams.

Pairings follow:

9:00 A. M.—Imperial vs. McCamey.

10:00 A. M.—Crane vs. Grandfalls.

11:00 A. M.—Iraan vs. Rankin

12:00 Noon—Monahans vs. Ft. Stockton.

1:00 P. M.—Loser Imperial-McCamey vs. loser Crane-Grandfalls

2:00 P. M.—Winner Imperial-McCamey vs. winner Crane-Grandfalls.

3:00 P. M.—Loses Iraan-Rankin vs. Monahans-Ft. Stockton.

4:00 P. M.—Winner Iraan-Rankin vs. Monahans-Ft. Stockton.

5:00 P. M.—Consolation Championship.

6:00 P. M.—Championship.

Games to be played by time of minute halves with ten minutes between halves.

Trophies: First place—consolation all tournament team to be picked by coaches; awards, volleyball balls.

Seniors have concession stand, selling sandwiches, hot dogs, candy, cake, pies and drinks.

McCamey lineup: Peggy Adams, "Babe" Joyce (Francis), Claudyne Brown, Wanda Duncan, Oneta Fowler, Bernice Weddle.

Officials: Brandon, Dooley, Fitzgerald, Willman.

Admission Free.

Games every hour starting at 4 a. m.

Consolation game played at 5 p. m.

First place winner played at 10 p. m.

Mrs. Louis Norris of Alpine is sitting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haralson Wheeler.

Mrs. Zack Monroe Hostess To Monday W. M. U. Meeting

The WMU of the First Baptist Church met with Mrs. Zack Monroe Monday at 3 p. m.

The devotional was given by Mrs. D. Gentry, who read the 23rd Psalm and was followed by a prayer by Mrs. Priest.

This week, from March 1 to 5, is the week set aside for the "Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer for the Missions." The members will meet in different homes for each service and programs for each day are planned.

Will Nix Sells Business Property

Mr. and Mrs. Will Nix have sold their business property on Main Street to Preston Patton. The building, which is completely modern, houses the barber shop, which Mr. Nix has operated for a number of years, as well as living quarters for the family. Mr. Nix has not announced his future plans.

Jackie Smith Dies In Dallas Hospital

Word has just been received that Jackie Smith, two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Smith, has died in a Dallas hospital after an extended illness. The body is being brought to Rankin.

Arrangements are pending the arrival of the body.

Her great grandmother, Mrs. Jack Smith, was with her and has been in many hospitals with her for the past year or longer.

Twin Sons Born To Former Rankin Citizen

Twin sons, Ben and Fred, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Pettit Frazier in a Seattle, Wash., hospital on Feb. 26 at 5:30 a. m., according to word received by Mr. Frazier's mother, Mrs. Ben Frazier.

The mother of the twins has a twin sister.

Mr. Frazier is a graduate of Rankin High School and is well known in Upton County.

JIMMY ROBERTSON DROWNS

E. H. Robertson received word Monday that his nephew, Jimmy Robertson, of Clifton, Texas, had drowned. He was 30 years of age. Mr. Robertson and his sister, Mrs. Doyle of Monahans, left for Clifton at once, after receiving news of the tragedy.

Miss Mozelle Taylor of Mertzon visited in the Sam Holmes home over the weekend. She teaches in the Mertzon School.



When skirts started down and prices up Joyce Gilstrap, Amarillo, and Joan Phillips, Marshall, Texas State College for Women freshmen, picked up their needle and thread. Three-fourths of TSCW's 2,300 students did likewise and learned they could save also \$100 a year by making part of their own clothes. The average student spends \$363 on clothes, saves \$99 by sewing. Freshmen who make few of their clothes average \$775, and buy more classroom clothes, while upperclassmen spend more on dress and evening wear. Miss Gilstrap and Miss Phillips designed and made the dresses modeled.

IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hodges of Iraan have been visitors in Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frog Word have been in Ballinger several days where his father passed away Sunday. The Words have returned to Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Eads, who are beauty shop operators, were in San Angelo Sunday for special demonstrations. They met their daughter and grandson there.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hodges left Saturday for Lubbock where their son, Alfred, will undergo a major operation.

Mrs. Haralson Wheeler and her daughter, Miss Kathleen, and Mrs. Louis Norris are visiting Mr. Wheeler in Lockney, Texas.

Frank Lane of Alpine is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Miss Mary Ann Workman has returned to her work in Midland after a two-week vacation here in the family home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Starnes left by plane Sunday from Midland for their home in Fort Worth after a weeks visit here. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Neal accompanied the Starnes to Midland after a trip to the Benedum Field Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Walton Harrah has bought his brother's ranching interests north of town. Mr. Charles Harrah lives in Ft. Stockton.

Mrs. Walton spent Thursday at the ranch.

Mr. Wallace of the Wallace Lumber Co. has bought four lots in west Rankin addition where houses will be built soon.

Mrs. Tyson Midkiff is visiting her mother in Fort Worth.

Mr. B. B. Brown suffered a painful cut on his hand Wednesday while doing carpenter work. Several stitches were required to fix it up.

Miss Joyce Jacobs of Big Lake visited her grandmother, Mrs. Dave Gentry, and her aunt, Mrs. Sam Holmes, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Johnnie Hurst, Mrs. R. L. Herring and Lonnie Ferrell have returned from a weeks trip to Beaumont and Port Neches.



MRS. WILLIAM D. TAYLOR

Miss Raburn, Mr. Taylor Wed In Double Ring Rite

Rites spoken at the First Baptist Church in Wellington Sunday afternoon, Feb. 22, united in marriage Miss Allene Raburn of McCamey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Raburn of Wellington, and First Lt. Wm. D. Taylor, Jr., of San Antonio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Taylor of Sherman.

The double ring ceremony was read by Rev. H. Jones, pastor of the church, in the presence of a large crowd of friends and relatives.

An arrangement of greenery, white lilies and cathedral tapers in tall holders, formed the background before which the vows were spoken.

Mrs. John Harper played the traditional wedding marches at the organ, and also played "I Love You Truly," softly throughout the ceremony. Wearing a shell pink taffeta gown fashioned with full skirt and sweetheart neckline, Miss Mary Nelms of McCamey, the bride's roommate, sang, "O, Perfect Love," "I Love Thee," and "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Harper.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a snow-white, moon-dream taffeta wedding gown, designed with a high, cowl neckline and bracelet length sleeves. The completely circular voluminous skirt, worn over a hoop, was chapel length and was finished with a corded hemline. With her gown she wore a chanelled lace fisherman's hat, designed with a scalloped brim and trimmed with narrow white satin ribbon tied in lover's knots. Her colonial bouquet, from which fell satin streamers, was formed of white carnations and centered with a white orchid.

Mrs. L. H. Holton of Norman, Okla., attended her cousin as the matron of honor and Misses Melba Williams of Dallas, also a cousin, and Crespenze Hinde of McCamey were bridesmaids. Mrs. Holton was attired in a bridal blue gown made identical to that of the bride, and carried a colonial bouquet of yellow jonquils and blue iris, while Miss Williams and Miss Hinde wore dresses of bridal blue bengaline with gathered bracelet length sleeves, high necklines and fitted bodies. The skirts were fashioned with three horizontal tucks across the front forming deep folds to the sides and back. They carried colonial bouquets of pink carnations and maline. The matron of honor and bridesmaids wore Juliette caps of blue bengaline. Both Mrs. Raburn and Mrs. Taylor, mothers of the bride and groom, wore black with white accessories and corsages of white carnations.

O. B. Raburn, Jr., brother of

the bride, attended the groom as best man, and L. J. Holloway of Lubbock, L. H. Holton of Norman, Okla., and Howard Moore of Wellington were ushers. Little Miss Mary Gail White of Childress was the flower girl, wearing a white dress made identical to that of the bride. J. D. Raburn, brother of the bride, was ring bearer.

Mrs. Taylor, a graduate of Wellington High School, received her degree from TSCW at Denton, where she is a member of Delian Club and Sigma Alpha Lota, professional music sorority. She is a talented musician and singer, and is widely known in music circles of Denton, the lower Panhandle and McCamey, where she is teaching this year.

Mr. Taylor was graduated from Brackenridge High School in San Antonio and from Texas A&M. During the war he served for three years with the Air Forces. He is a first lieutenant in the regular Army Air forces and until recently has been stationed in Tucson, Ariz. He is now with the 8th Air Forces taking pilot training at Randolph Field, San Antonio, where the couple will make their home.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of the bride's parents. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth and appointed with crystal and candles. The three-tiered wedding cake, topped by a miniature bride and groom, was cut by the bride, who served the first slice to her husband. Mrs. H. L. Duncan then served the wedding cake to the guests and Mrs. Charles Holman of Lubbock presided at the punch bowl.

Mrs. Andy Langford of Duncan, Okla., registered the guests. For their trip to San Antonio, Mrs. Taylor wore a turquoise wool suit with a red hat and black accessories. Her corsage was formed by the orchid from her wedding bouquet.

Out of town guests here for the wedding were Mrs. Everett Bennett, Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Taylor, Sr., Sherman, and formerly of San Antonio; Miss Betty Berry, Perryton; Mrs. Charles Holman, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Holton, Norman, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gerhardt, Borger; Mrs. R. S. Ramage, Borger; Mr. and Mrs. Don Manzer, Borger; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Langford, Norman, Okla.; Miss Marie Moore, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Sam White and Raburn White of Childress, and Miss Florence Tullis of Perryton.

One more new house is under construction this week. It is Pappy Taylor's house.

Upton County Lamb Brings \$2 Lb. at Sale

Fields Branch of Rankin showed the grand champion lamb and the reserve champion pen of three at the Upton County Boys Livestock Show in Rankin Tuesday.

Reserve champion lamb was exhibited by Frank Smith, Rankin. The champion pen of three belonged to Buddy Calcote of Rankin.

After the judging, the champion lamb was sold at auction for \$2 per pound to the Rankin Wool and Mohair Assn. Auctioneer Mac McConnell, Midland, sold 34 other lambs at an average of 76½ cents per pound.

Judge was H. M. Carter of the Mid-West Feed Yards in San Angelo. W. O. Adams, Upton County agent, was in charge of animals shown.

Buyers were: Ranchers Wool & Mohair Assn. of Rankin who bought the champion lamb, Hamp Carter, C. W. Brown Motor Co. of

McCamey, Echo Drug of McCamey, Schneeman & Owens of Rankin, Walton Poage of Rankin, Henry Neal, Rankin, Jess Russell of McCamey, Hayes Bakery of McCamey, Norman Elrod of Rankin, Harris-Luckett Co. of Rankin, Frank Boyd of Rankin, Security State Bank of McCamey, Gene Eckols of Rankin, First State Bank of Rankin, Jacobsen & Moore of McCamey, J. W. Gaddy Oil & Gas Co. of McCamey, McCamey Lions Club, Walton Harrah of Rankin, E. G. Branch of Rankin, Midland Livestock Auction Co., C. G. Forester Ins. Agency of McCamey, W. T. U. Co. of Rankin and McCamey, Pauley Feed Store of McCamey, Forrest King of McCamey, Herman Chambers of Rankin, J. W. Robbins of Rankin, and Dee Locklin of McCamey.

List of winners (all from Rankin unless otherwise specified): Mutton singles, 1st, Fields Branch (champion lamb); 2nd and 3rd, Buddy Calcote; 4th, Mona Sue Branch.

Crossbred lambs, 1st, Frank Smith (reserve champion lamb); 2nd, Calcote; 3rd, Frank Smith; 4th, Calcote; 5th Jimmy Smith.

Lightweight Rambouillet lambs, 1st and 2nd, Janet Pauley, McCamey; 3rd, Amaryallis Harrah; 4th, Fields Branch; 5th, Mona Sue Branch.

Heavyweight Rambouillet lambs, 1st, Calcote; 2nd, Tommy Chambers; 3rd, Gentry Holmes; 4th, Ronny Locklin, McCamey; 5th, Fields Branch.

Mutton pen of three, 1st, Calcote (champion pen of three).

Crossbred pen of three, 1st, Fields Branch (reserve champion pen of three); 2nd, Frank Smith; 3rd, Mona Sue Branch; 4th, Mary Beth Shipp; 5th, Joe Loftin.

Rambouillet pen of three, 1st, Calcote; 2nd, Pauley; 3rd, Harrah; 4th, Holmes; 5th, Chambers.

4-H Club colts, 1st, Danny Fuller, McCamey; 2nd, Charles McFadden, McCamey; 3rd, Mary Beth Shipp; 4th, Jackie Howard, McCamey.

ELROD TAKES TOP HORSE HONORS

Norman Elrod of Rankin showed his stallion, "John Nixon," to championship honors in the Upton County Adult Horse Show. Close behind him was Joe Elliott of Big Lake with his champion filly, "Sweet Pea."

Other winners were: Palominos: Walton Poage with "Cotton Tail" and "Susan"; D. F. Schnaubert with "Little Walter."

Quarter Horse Yearlings: Mrs. Norman Elrod, Little Sis, Danny Fuller, "Smoky"; Toots Mansfield, "Shorty"; Mary Beth Shipp, "Little Dick"; Norman Elrod, "Brown Beauty"; Walton Poage, "Brown Jug"; Elrod, "Winkle"; R. D. Halmark, "Jelly Red."

Two Year Olds: Schnaubert, "Pecos Pete"; Schnaubert, "Lil Walter."

Two Years and Over: Norman Elrod, "John Nixon"; Walton Poage, "Cotton Tail."

stand for not longer than an hour and then do a thorough job of rubbing. The more rubbing the prettier the piece. Repeat this until you have applied all of the oil the piece will take—usually four or five applications. With plenty of rubbing in between the result will be a beautiful satin finish with a rich, fairly dark color. Things spilled on an oil finish usually leave no mark.

SCHEDULE OF THE WEEK

Both McCamey and Rankin girls hold regular 4-H meetings on Monday, March 9. The Garden HD Club will meet on Wednesday, March 10, with Mrs. M. F. Thompson as hostess. The Young Matrons' HD Club meets on Thursday, March 11, at 2:00, with Mrs. Burl Williams.

The demonstrations to be presented are on "Dressing The Bed." In this we plan to start with the bedstead and complete the making of the bed from there to the spread, discussing quantity, quality, sizes, etc., for the various linens, covers, and spreads. Each article will be shown and tips given on purchasing or making. The meetings are open to all who care to attend.

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

You have been very busy this week and have that piece of furniture all fixed up—finished off, sanded down, and all ready for the next step? Well, maybe you aren't that far along but we are still getting questions on the work, so we will complete the job for you—in writing.

STAINING
After the old finish is removed and the piece sanded down well, staining is the next step. Your piece of furniture may not need staining. If it is a good solid piece of hardwood, chances are it has enough color of its own. If, however, it is cheaper wood, or has become discolored or spotted for some reason, you will want to put on some stain.

Plain stain in oil is best, but if not available, use varnish stain. Apply stain with a cloth or brush and leave on for about two minutes. Then wipe the stain off. Enough will have soaked into the wood. If you prefer a darker color, leave it on a little longer and after wiping off apply a second coat if necessary. Be sure to wipe off all surplus so that it will not become sticky on the surface.

NOW THE FINISH
After the stain has dried, apply the first coat of clear varnish. Use the best hard varnish you can buy. Apply it smoothly with the grain of the wood and then allow it to dry for 48 hours.

Do you want a satin-like finish or one that is so shiny that it almost shouts at you that it has had a coat of varnish? If you want that right satin-like finish, then the next step is most important.

SANDING
Dip a cloth in water or oil and put a little bit of pumice stone on it, being sure it is well dampened. Rub the varnished surface lightly with this, following the grain of the wood. This will remove any bubbles in the finish and take off the glare. A light going-over will do the job. You don't want to scrub all the varnish off you've just put on.

Then apply the second coat of varnish and after drying sand it down in the same way. Usually you will want to apply a third coat of varnish, sand it lightly and you are ready for the final touch.

WAXING
Use a good grade of paste wax. Apply over the varnished surface and then rub, rub, and then rub some more. Give it three coats of wax in all and you'll be so proud of results, you'll want to show your piece to everyone who comes in.

OIL FINISH
Instead of stain and varnish, you may want to use an oil finish. It makes a beautiful finish for a smooth piece of wood—one from which you have been able to remove every trace of the former finish or a new unfinished piece.

Apply hot linseed oil. Let it

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OPPORTUNITY UNLIMITED

Some very interesting studies have been made in late years on the subject of retailing as a career for young people. The old idea that anybody could do a satisfactory job of working in a store is no longer tenable. Retailing is a complex and highly specialized enterprise. Large stores have as many as 800 different job classifications. And even in very small stores, a long list of aptitudes and skills is required.

Small stores, it is pointed out, frequently offer the best place for training. One person performs a multitude of duties. That is a primary reason why the top people in retail trade today so often began at the bottom in modest stores. They literally learned the job from the ground up.

Opportunity in retailing is unlimited. Practically all of the large stores, including the chain systems, had extremely humble beginnings. Their growth was the inevitable result of their giving the kind of service that the public liked. What happened in the past is happening still. Few enterprises offer the individual so much chance to demonstrate imagination, ingenuity and a brand of personal public relations that makes friends and customers.

Retailing, in all its varied branches, isn't just a job. It is a career. And those who approach it with that attitude have the best chance of going to the top.

Advertisements



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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When Will Dudley's missus finally gave in to the new-style longer skirts, Will was mighty critical at first. Allowed as how women were a slave to fashion... ought to dress to please their husbands and not style designers.

She finally reminded Will of his habit of sitting by the radio Saturday afternoons in shirt sleeves and old slippers, listening to the sportcasts with a mellow glass of beer. Suggested that maybe Will was a slave to comfort.

And Will admitted she was right.

Perhaps the way somebody dresses isn't always to our taste—just as Will's glass of beer may be another person's cider.

But from where I sit, those little differences aren't important—unless we go out of our way to make them so, by being hypercritical. As Will says now: "Well, anyway, those long skirts hide a multitude of shins"... and lets it go at that!

Joe Marsh

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Weekly SURPLUS NEWS WAA

Texas veterans received new assurance this week that their preference right in acquiring war surplus materials will not be discarded in WAA's rush to finish its disposal job. Site liquidation sales which include initial offerings of surplus goods will provide for a period of inspection by priority groups, with World War II veterans receiving next to the highest priority. In the SW sales now being planned will also give veterans at least 15 days advance notice, according to Col. Karl Wallace, head of the Grand Prairie office.

Local, county and state purchasing agents in need of fire protection apparatus are invited to investigate a national sale of fire extinguishers begun this week by WAA. Sale will be restricted to government units, which generally are entitled to public benefit discounts from prices asked for the devices. There are about 33,000 hand extinguishers in surplus inventory, mostly in excellent condition and available through mail orders to the WAA's Salt Lake City, Utah, office. Samples and complete information are on hand at the Grand Prairie Customer Service Center.

In plenty of time for the spring wheat harvest comes news that 400,000 bales of top quality binder twine have turned up among Uncle Sam's war surplus. This Mexican Henequen twine is stored at various WAA depots, much of it at New Orleans, La. The WAA is seeking buyers at low, fixed prices per bale, although the minimum purchase to be considered will be a carload consisting of 1,600 bales. Orders should be sent to WAA's Washington, D. C., office before the March 16 closing date.

Following this week's cleanup sale of Camp Bowie buildings, WAA's record-breaking war housing sales crew will move their operations into Arkansas for the first time. In the past eight months, the crew from the Grand Prairie office of real property disposal has marketed approximately 30,000 camp buildings in the SW. On March 9, 10 and 11, the crew will stage another location sale at Camp Robinson, near Little Rock, Ark. More than 4,000 Camp Robinson structures, mostly hutments, will be offered to the public in the three days of bidding.

A complete steam plant, along with various utility facilities to be removed from the premises, is on the market this week at the Pecos Army Airfield. Besides the steam plant and building housing it, electrical, water, gas and telephone facilities of the camp are to be sold on a sealed bid basis. Priority holders will have until March 15 to make good their purchase claims on the property. Remaining equipment will then be available to be bought by the general public until March 26. Transactions will be handled by WAA's Grand Prairie office.

For those who are interested in building bargains, the WAA has 31 surplus structures at North Camp Hood, near Gatesville.

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Since this is a residue of buildings to be cleared from this Texas camp, the sale will be by sealed bid on a non-priority basis. Dental wards, officers mess, guest-house and standard GI construction are included. The camp will be open for inspection between March 1 and March 12, final date when bids are acceptable. Special forms and other details are available at the awarding office, in the WAA plant, GrandPrairie, Texas.

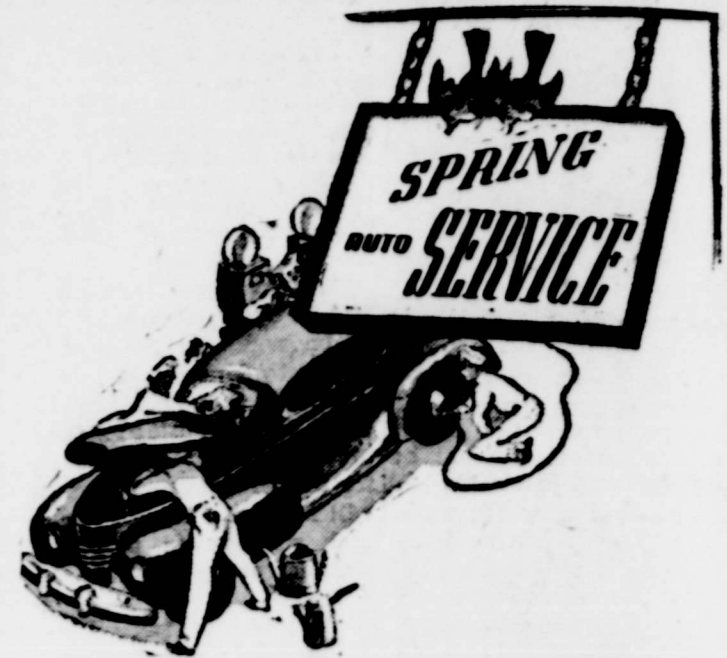
The Weather Report

(Courtesy of West Texas Utilities)

Date	Max	Min
February 26	61	41
February 27	69	38
February 28	78	38
February 29	78	58
March 1	70	52
March 2	66	35

Mrs. Jack Walcher and Mrs. Pete Pollard spent last Saturday in San Angelo.

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In talking with one of our readers the other day, I was given this problem: "Suppose a person on the verge of becoming a disciple of Christ sits down and figures he will not be able to pay the price demanded and therefore decides not to even make the start?" It is true that many have made the start only to fall away at a later date. In the parable of the sower Jesus gives the reasons why some disciples never finish the race they start. Jesus explains there that the word of God, the seed, is sown into four kinds of hearts. The devil takes the word out of the hearts of some lest they believe and be saved. The word falls into other hearts, they keep the word and remain saved (Luke 8:15). In Luke 8:13 however Jesus says that "They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away." The reason for their fall is simply because they are not deeply rooted and grounded in the truth, which is the word. If the word had found proper lodgment in their hearts, they would have been able to withstand the temptations of life (Matthew says persecutions and tribulations). Jesus was tempted in like manner as you and I, and yet without sin. In Matthew 4 the devil tempts Jesus by the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. He was able to resist the temptation each time by quoting a passage of scripture. If we know the Bible as we should, we too can quote a passage of scripture each time the devil tempts us and put him to flight. In Luke 8:14 Jesus lists another group that fall away: "And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection." This group also fall away because they have failed to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord. When a man quits eating, he begins to lose weight and strength and finally dies. When a child of God fails to read his Bible so as to receive spiritual strength, his spiritual strength slowly begins to leave him, he becomes so weak that he is overcome by the devil and finally dies a spiritual death. In I Peter 1:5 the Apostle tells us that we are kept by the power of God through faith. The power of God is the Gospel (Romans 1:16). If the word dwells in our hearts and our lives are guided by it, we will not fall away; the word will keep us. As long as we follow the word, we cannot sin and therefore cannot fall. Jesus does not demand the impossible; we can pay the cost of discipleship.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

You Are Cordially Invited to Attend Services at

Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Rankin News Notes

Mrs. Jack Franklin and baby daughter are at home from McCamey Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cowden were with Mrs. Cowden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Taylor, in Rankin Sunday. They are now at home on their ranch near Crane.

Mrs. Alma Adams and Mrs. Clois Baxter were away from their work in the First State Bank last week on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Cox have been visiting in San Antonio several days.

Mrs. Rudolph Jackson and son, Nickey, of Dallas are here for a weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Eads.

CRANE NEWS NOTES

Week-end visitors here from Wichita, Kans., were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davenport. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Davenport of Crane. Returning home with them Sunday was a nephew, Larry Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Moore. He will spend the next three months with the couple.

M. M. McCasland was treated for cuts and bruises of the face Saturday at the local hospital.

Ted Owen Shackelford, and daughter, Mary Louise, of Abilene, spent the last of the week here with Mr. Shackelford.

Fred Woodson visited relatives in Coahoma over the week-end.

Don Johnston, son of the W. S. Johnstons, was admitted to the Robinson Hospital Saturday with an attack of appendicitis. He was reported improved Sunday.

A son was born Friday night at 11:33 in the Robinson Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Keyes. He weighed seven pounds, seven ounces. Mr. Keyes is principal of the grade schools in Crane.

Candance Ann, and Beverly, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gilbert have been confined to the Cooper Hospital in McCamey for treatment of penicillin in cases of stubborn colds.

Mrs. Lula Chaney is visiting in the home of a son in Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson returned Saturday night after a vacation in Old Mexico, and the Rio Grande Valley.

Don Chaney flying to Fort Worth Thursday, returned later via new Chevrolet panel truck. Chaney is a grocery man here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Beane were to return Tuesday following a Fort Worth visit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Parker and children, Joyce, and Dwayne were recent visitors in O'Donnell in the home of Mrs. Parker's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lovelace, Billie, and Charles returned from Fort Worth Wednesday after a several day stay with relatives while Mrs. Lovelace went through the clinic. Heavy rains were reported in that section during the visit, ending at Coleman en route home.

Mrs. Clara Kolster of San Angelo has been added to the nursing staff at the Robinson Hospital.

H. O. Waters was dismissed from the local hospital Thursday.

A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sullivan, Odessa, Tuesday at 1:30 at the Robinson Hospital, is a great-grandson of Mrs. Dora E. Nunn, nurse at the hospital. The young man weighed seven pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces, and was christened Lloyd Edward Earl in honor of three marine buddies of his father.

Week-end guests of the J. R. Karrs were Sgt. and Mrs. J. C. Sisson of Roswell, N. Mex. Mrs. Sisson is a niece of Mrs. Karr, and a sister of Louis Trammell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bowen lined up a visit to Iraan for the week end to return Monday accompanied by young son, Eddie. The Bowens with Mrs. Bowen's parents, the Leslie Johnson's of Iraan were going to Coleman on Sunday for the dedication service of the new Baptist Church pastored by the Rev. T. L. Slimp, a former Crane pastor.

Mrs. H. F. Fortenberry, and son, Charles of Wichita Falls, are visiting with her mother Mrs. J. H. Barnett, and sister, Mrs. J. R. Bell.

A son was born Thursday morning, Feb. 26, at 8:25 to Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Thompson at the Robinson Hospital. He weighed six pounds, five and one-half ounces. The Thompsons reside in McCamey.

CLASSIFIED ADS

TEACHERS WANTED— 3 positions paying up to \$500 per month for summer vacation in educational advisory service which your training and experience equip you to do. 1 local position, 2 in another locality. Qualifications 28 to 50, white, 3 years teaching experience, good record and reputation. Write immediately in confidence, giving age, experience and phone. Personal conference arranged. Box 34, co. Rankin News, Rankin.

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**Forest I-A Tippet
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Forest Oil Corp. No. 1-A State-J. H. Tippet Monday became the third producer in the panhandle NW Crockett County.

The NE offset by Byrd and Frost and Gulf No. 1 J. B. Mayberry-J. H. Tippet, the discovery, flowed 38 gravity oil at the rate of 52 barrels hourly on a drillstem test from 6099-6125 ft. It prepared to run 5 1-2 in. casing to the bottom, 6125 ft., for cementing, then perforating for completion.

The drillstem test was thru a 5-8th bottom hole and top chokes and lasted one hour and 35 minutes. Gas appeared at the surface one minute after the tool was opened drilling mud in seven minutes and oil in eight minutes. The well flowed an average of 13 barrels of oil each 15 minutes for 1 1-4 hours. Gas-oil ratio varied from 1,200-1 to 1,500-1.

Location is 330 ft. from the SW and SE lines of sec. 4, J. H. Tippet original guarantee.

Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1-G Tippet, second well in the pool, was acidized with 100 gallons thru casing perforations at 6325-31 ft. After recovering the residue it flowed 33 barrels of oil in two hours thru a 7-32nds inch choke next six barrels of oil three hours thru a 3-32nds inch choke, then 34 barrels of oil four hours thru a 5-32nds inch choke.

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Lovely Tea Announces The Engagement Of Miss Jacqueline Halley, of Gladewater, Texas To Mr. Charles Langdon Of McCamey, Texas

The engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Jacqueline Halley of Gladewater, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. D. Halley, to Charles Langdon of McCamey, was revealed Saturday, Feb. 21, when her mother, Mrs. C. D. Halley, entertained with an announcement tea at her home, 310 N. Main Street, Gladewater, Texas.

The lovely home was attractively decorated with bouquets of pink stock on the piano and lavender anemones on the book case flanking the fireplace. The door was opened by Miss Sally Craig and in the receiving line were Mrs. Halley, Miss Halley, the bride-elect, beautiful in a white lace creation, Miss Margaret Sturdivant and Mrs. Otto Staerker.

Miss Rose Mary Stuckey and Miss Zelda Walker served at the guest register.

In the dining room the tea table beautifully appointed in silver was laid with an exquisite Chinese embroidered cloth centered with a silver bowl of white tulips, white stock and candytuft in gorgeous arrangement.

Wedding bells and white love birds completed the centerpiece. White satin streamers leading from the bouquet announced the engagement with the words "Jackie and Charles" inscribed in gold.

Mrs. H. L. Goodson of Henderson and Mrs. Staerker poured and Mrs. Carl Everett, Sr., and Mrs. Earl Thompson served cake. They were assisted by Mrs. Tom Armstrong and Mrs. Lee Teutsch.

During the reception hours Mrs. J. J. Traugher and Mrs. Everett played piano selections.

Approximately 150 guests attended.

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Action By Night
Anna Karenina
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Tales.
Uncle Tom's Cabin
The Sketch Book
The Pathfinder
Rip Van Winkle
Under the Lilacs
Cherry Ames Visiting Nurse
Cherry Ames Private Duty Nurse.
Read To Me Storybook.

Mrs. Fred McKinnen Dies On February 26

Mrs. Fred McKinnen, 66, of Lamesa, died Thursday morning, Feb. 26, in a Lamesa hospital. She had been in failing health for some time.

Mrs. McKinnen was the mother of Mrs. G. W. Huffman of McCamey and had often visited her daughter here.

Funeral services were held on Friday from the Methodist Church of Lamesa, of which she was a lifelong member.

Survivors are her husband and five sons, Claude McKinnen, who had just returned a week ago from India; Kirk McKinnen of Lamesa, Jackie McKinnen of California; Roy McKinnen of San Angelo, and Loren McKinnen of St. Louis, Mo., one daughter, Mrs. Lucille Huffman of McCamey, and eight grandchildren.

Those attending the funeral from McCamey were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shelp and Claude Brazzell, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Huffman, and Hugo Huffman of Crape.



E. B. GERMANY
E. B. Germany, above, well known Masonic leader, was recently elected president of the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Crippled Children. The Dallas hospital gave 5,000 free treatments in 1947 to crippled children for whom proper medical attention was otherwise unobtainable.

Two Outposts To Benedum Spudded

Drilling operations in the vicinity of Slick-Urschel and Plymouth No. 1 D. L. Alford, opener of the Benedum (Ellinburger) field in eastern Upton County, had increased to three Monday.

Plymouth No. 1 J. B. Wallace, 3-8 mile north and slightly east of the discovery, was standing with 16 in. casing cemented on bottom at 265 feet with 300 sacks. It is 660 ft. from NW corner of lot 1, sec. 50 1-2, P. B. Scott survey.

Humble No. 1 Rosa Half Barnett, C SE NE 4-Y-GC&SF, spudded Sunday and was drilling below 65 ft. in caliche and shale. It is 3 1-4 mile NW of No. 1 Alford.

Slick-Urschel No. 1 W. M. Standifer, C NW SE W-2 50 1-2-Y-P. B. Scott, SW offset to the discovery, was due to spud Monday.

Wilshire No. 1 McElroy Ranch Co., western Upton County wildcat, C NE SW 148-E-CCSD&RGNG, was drilling at 6,983 ft. in shale and lime.

Mrs. J. D. Starnes of Ft. Worth was in Rankin over last weekend.

Mrs. Anderson Dies At Home of Daughter In Corpus Christi

Mrs. W. E. Anderson died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Duncan of Corpus Christi Sunday, Feb. 29, at 9:30 p. m. where she was on a visit.

Mrs. Anderson was the wife of W. E. Anderson, former mayor of McCamey and a philanthropic builder of the city.

Mrs. Anderson had been in failing health since last November. She was reared in Rising Star, Texas, where she taught school until she married. The family moved to Alpine where they lived for a number of years prior to moving to McCamey, then returned to Alpine to reside.

Funeral services were held at Rising Star Wednesday afternoon.

Survivors are her husband and one son, Holbert Anderson of Oakland, Calif., and one daughter, Mrs. R. W. Duncan of Corpus Christi, and four grandchildren.

Political Announcements

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MARCH 31st, is the last day to register your car for 1948.

Have your Certificate of Title and last year's registration receipt available in order to secure new plates.

Register out of state registered cars at the earliest possible date, to avoid possible delay in securing plates before the deadline. It will be necessary for you to come to Rankin to register cars with out of state license plates.

I will have a representative in McCamey March 22 thru March 31 to register vehicles in McCamey.

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