

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Yates of San Antonio were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pricost Saturday. They had spent a two months vacation in Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman flew to Lubbock to spend the week end with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Workman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ford Taylor of Dallas were in Rankin, Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Rose Wheeler has been ill in her home in Rankin the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Scarborough and son, Jimmy Merriman of Muleshoe spent the week end here with relatives.

Miss Kathleen Wheeler is at home after a visit with her father in Lockney. Mrs. Wheeler will return later this week.

Cody Bell of Rogers, Ark., and his sister, Mrs. E. W. Wndham of Odessa were in town on business this week.

Mrs. and Mrs. Walton Harrol were in Odessa Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes and their son, Geaty and daughter Marlene, were in Midland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Puckett and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Monroe, Jr., returned to Rankin Monday from Johnson, Kansas, where the men had been employed for several months. Puckett had been sick for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Monroe and daughter of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Monroe and family of Hobbs, N. M., were visitors in their mother's home the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown of Alpine were at home with Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Warren the past week end.

Dunn Lowery was in San Angelo Saturday on business.

Mrs. Standly Eddins is visiting in Del Rio with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hoges have returned from Lubbock where their son, Alfred, had undergone an operation.

Mrs. H. D. Shaw visited her mother, Mrs. N. E. Patterson in McCamey hospital Wednesday.

Miss Guilla Bettes spent the week end in San Angelo as a guest in the Pilip Thompson home and attended the rodeo.

Mrs. Omar Warren spent the week end in Dublin with her sister, Mrs. Noelpage. She returned to Rankin Monday.

**Rankin Furniture Co. Opens In Rankin**

A new enterprise has been established in Rankin. Last week, H. Ward and H. B. Stevens opened the Rankin Furniture Co., located just north of the City Square.

Mr. Ward will manage the new business and Mr. Stevens will remain in Sweetwater where he is in the sewing machine business. For the past several years, Mr. Ward and his family have resided in Roscoe, Texas, where he operated a sewing machine business. Mr. and Mrs. Ward and children, ages 14, and Dale, 10, have made their home in Rankin along with Mr. Ward.

Mrs. Ward is an expert seamstress who plans to make children's clothes for resale, do hemming and button and buckle covering. She will also carry a line of millinery and costume jewelry.

**Fire Destroys Elliott Garage**

The garage at the I. C. Elliott place, east of town was destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon. The Rankin Fire Department made a run fire, but the fire was not discovered in time to save the building.

**Zeno Ferris And Toots Mansfield In Roping Event**

It will be Zeno Ferris of Las Cruces, N. M., champion roper of the 1948 Houston rodeo, against Toots Mansfield of Big Spring, champion roper of the Fort Worth rodeo, in a matched roping to be staged at the Pecos rodeo grounds on Sunday afternoon, March 28, at 2 o'clock.

Each roper will attempt to rope and tie ten calves.

The battle of the champions is expected to draw a large number of rodeo fans from West Texas.

Jack pot calf roping is on the same bill. There will be plenty of calves for other matches.

The program is being held under the sponsorship of Pecos Rodeo and Fair Assn.



HENRY A. COFFIELD

**Marfa Cattleman Announces for Senator**

Henry A. Coffield, age 54, a native of Arkansas, has been a citizen of Texas for 31 years, announces his candidacy for the office of State Senator of the 29th Senatorial District. Coffield has a high school and university education as mechanical engineer.

A veteran of World War I, he served in the U. S. Army throughout the war. After his discharge from the army, he went into business at Marfa, Texas, and is now actively engaged in the operation of ranching interests located in Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties. His residence is in the city of Marfa where he served as Mayor of Marfa for 14 years, retiring last year voluntarily. During World War II, Coffield served as a member of the Presidio County Selective Service Board, and was also actively engaged in war construction work, building camps and air fields for the United States Government.

"I shall not present a platform of vague promises that are forgotten the day after election. I am a candidate only because I know that I can, and will, give the citizens of this district honest and fair representation. I shall work for everything that will benefit the state and our district. I will not favor any individual or group that would reap a benefit for themselves at the expense of the rest of the district," Coffield said.

"I expect the advice and help of every good, interested citizen in this district, then when we successfully attain some goal, I cannot say 'I did it', but we can all say, 'We did it'. That is government by the people. That is democracy."

**W.S.C.S. Meets In Regular Session**

The W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist Church met in regular session Monday, March 8, at the First Methodist Church, with Mrs. Barham, first vice-president, presiding over the business meeting. Reports were given.

Mrs. Hardt had charge of the program for the day, which was very interesting.

A special offering was taken for prayer books and song books for Japan.

The following were on the program: Mmes. Hardt, Harral, McEwin, McCain and Carter. A group of children sang a song.

The following were present: Mmes. Hardt, Anderson, Carter, McCain, McEwin, Harral, Barham, Roberts, Yates, Elrod, Walcher, White and Boyd.

**Last Rites Are Held For Glenn A. Husted**

Funeral services for Glenn H. Husted, 23, were held Saturday at 3 o'clock in McCamey at the First Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. W. I. Lee in charge. He was assisted by the Methodist minister of Crane, Rev. J. N. Whetstone. Burial was slated at Electra, the body being taken there immediately after the McCamey services. Spalding Funeral Home, McCamey, officiated.

Husted succumbed to injuries sustained Sunday, Feb. 15, when the car which he was driving went out of control and overturned ten miles north of Crane. J. D. Parker and A. R. Ferguson received slight injuries in the same accident.

Deceased is a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Husted of the Phillips Camp. He was employed by the Shell Pipe Line Co. and resided in McCamey with his wife, the former Miss Sybil Brown. Surviving are:

Two brothers, Earl of Crane and Roy of Albany, who was accompanied by his wife here; also three sisters survive: Earlene of Crane, Mrs. Nadine Andrews of McCamey, and Mrs. Francine Lingle.

Relatives here from Fort Worth for the last rites were a paternal aunt and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Gibson; and a cousin, Mrs. Burt Tingle; an uncle and son, John Husted and Billy.

Pallbearers were five Shell employees and John Ames of Crane.

**Regular Meeting of P-T. A. Held Tuesday**

The Katherine Secrest P-T. A. met in regular meeting Tuesday, March 9, at 3:00 p.m., with the President presiding.

Mrs. George Stephenson was program leader. The following program was given: Music, the Girls Chorus; Declamation, Ella Ruth Elliott; "The Weeds, Intolerance, Prejudice, Hatred, Ignorance," Miss Barham and the Home Economics Department.

A business meeting followed. The health board suggested a T. B. Patch Test for the children. Dr. J. C. Bredehoff offered service for "patch" if the association would buy the material.

The secretary reported 115 members and urged that all pay their dues.

Miss Walker won the door prize and the eleventh grade won the attendance prize.

The nominating committee presented the following as officers for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. B. F. Yocham; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Robert Schlagal; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Jack Walcher; 3rd Vice President, Mrs. D. O. McEwin; Secretary, Mrs. Ross Wheeler; Treasurer, Mrs. Jeff Ray McSpadden; Historian, Mrs. R. D. McSpadden; Parliamentarian, Mr. Hamilton Still.

Refreshments were served to twenty-seven members by the following hostesses: Mrs. H. D. Show, Mrs. Alvin Bushong, Mrs. Andy Mitchell, Mrs. B. F. Yocham

**P-T.A. Executive Committee Meets**

The Executive Committee of the Katherine Secrest P-T. A. met Tuesday, March 9, at 2:00 p.m. The reports were given and it was voted to have a shower for the Home Economics department at the next P-T. A. meeting.

**W.M.U. Meets Monday**

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church met in regular meeting Monday, 3. p. m.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Monroe, after which Mrs. Roy Priest had charge of the study on "Great Women of the Bible."

A business session followed at which committees were appointed to arrange the luncheon to be served when the Workers Conference will meet in Rankin on March 16.

It was also voted to send a pot plant to Mrs. N. E. Patterson, one of our members who is ill in the McCamey hospital. The last report was that she is improving.

**Funeral Services For Rankin Child Friday**

Funeral services for Jacqueline Marie Smith, two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Milton Smith of Rankin, were held in the First Baptist Church, Friday at 1:30 p. m., with the Rev. R. L. Herring, Pastor officiating.

The child died in a Dallas hospital Wednesday night after an illness of several months.

Survivors include the parents, a sister, Wanna Jean; Paternal mother, Mrs. Jack Smith of Rankin; a great-grand-mother, Mrs. Homer Smith of Houston; and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Whitney, Courd Alene, Idaho.

Burial was in the Ozana Cemetery.

**Mrs. R. O. White Entertains W.S.C.S**

The W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist Church met with Mrs. R. O. White on March 2 for a social hour and short business session. Mrs. McEwin, spiritual leader, urged that prayer groups be organized. It was voted that the third Monday of the month be designated for visiting. Plans for delegate trip to Kerrville were discussed.

A Bible quiz was enjoyed, after which the hostess served refreshments to the following: Mrs. Walcher, Mrs. Hardt, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Elrod, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Barham, Mrs. White, Mrs. McEwin and Mrs. Johnson.

**Don Robertson Opens New Shoe Shop Here**

Don's Shop is one of the recent additions to the Rankin business circles. It is located four doors south of the State Bank of Rankin.

Don Robertson, proprietor of the shop, is formerly of Rotan and Snyder, where he has been employed in shoe repair for several years.

Mr. Robertson also specializes in boot and saddle and other leather work.

He is now residing with his grandfather, E. H. Robertson, a Rankin resident for 8 years.

**H. E. Stoker Presides T.S.T.A. Convention**

Mr. Howard E. Stoker, Superintendent of the McCamey Public Schools, is in San Angelo this weekend presiding over the annual convention of the Mid-Texas Education Association, District XI of the Texas State Teachers Association. Mr. Stoker is president of the Mid-Texas Association.

The McCamey High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Buchanan, is scheduled to furnish concert music at the third general session Saturday morning.

**News From County Extension Service**

By Myrna Holman

Upton County 4-H Club Girls extend hearty thanks to all those who helped in making their food sale at the livestock show a success. They appreciate all of the donations of food from the women of the county, food donated by the merchants, and those who made it possible to concert these into cash by purchasing the food during the day. The amount collected will help materially toward paying their expenses to county and district camp, and the state round-up. When you boost the young people in their efforts to make the best better, you're boosting the entire community.

The third Thursday is the regular scheduled time for demonstrations for the Rankin women. This third Thursday, March 18, the agent will be in Pecos attending a district agents' meeting. So Rankin women who are interested in the demonstration are asked to meet at the agent's home on the fourth Thursday, March 25, at 2:30. The subject is to be "Dressing the Bed", giving consideration to desired articles, quantity, quality, points on selection, and steps in making some of the equipment.

**Sam Holmes, Longtime Resident Of Rankin, Announces For Office**

Sam Holmes, a long time resident of Rankin, has announced his candidacy for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 1 in Rankin.

Mr. Holmes has lived in Rankin for many years and raised his family here.

Mr. Holmes favors the reduction of taxes. He is interested in every part of the town and people, and will strive to the utmost to fulfill the office of Commissioner.

**Gas Industry Is Still Hampered by Shortage**

Since the turn of the nation's economy from wartime to peacetime basis, the gas utility companies of this country have made unprecedented efforts to produce and distribute their fuel in sufficient quantities to meet the enormous demand that was foreseen even before World War II had ended. H. C. Wolf, Managing Director of the American Gas Association, said recently. The fact that restrictions on new sales of gas exist in some areas, that industrial users of gas are being curtailed and in a few instances househeating by gas has been temporarily suspended during peak hours, is due primarily to shortages of materials vitally needed for the expansion of production, transmission and distribution facilities, rather than to any lack of foresight or unwillingness of utility companies to serve customers. Some large distributing utilities find these peak day demands are three times greater today than in 1939.

In 1946, the industry expended \$310,000,000 in expanding facilities, Mr. Wolf pointed out. In 1947, the gas utilities had allocated more than \$1,000,000,000 for new construction, but because of shortages in materials, principally steel, actual expenditures were about \$730,000,000, which was an all-time high and more than four times the normal pre-war expenditures.

A dramatic illustration of the effort of the gas industry to meet its accelerating demand for gas fuel is contained in a tabulation recently made from Federal Power Commission reports. The tabulation shows that natural gas pipeline projects approved by the Federal Power Commission from July 1, 1945, to Jan. 15, 1948, and projects pending approval on the latter date involved 20,887 miles of pipe line costing \$1,150,000,000.

Major natural gas construction authorized by the Commission up to Dec. 1, 1947, included 8,443 miles of natural gas pipe line costing \$429,000,000. These projects included proposed lines of the Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co. for serving West Virginia, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and New York States involving expenditures of \$83,000,000; the "Biggest" Inch line of El Paso Natural Gas Co. and the Southern California Gas Co. costing \$70,000,000 in its initial stages; the Michigan-Wisconsin Pipe Line Co. project, costing \$52,600,000, and the Natural Gas Pipe Line Co.-Texoma Natural Gas Co. project for bringing additional natural gas to the Chicago area at a cost of \$43,000,000.

Projects still pending before the Federal Power Commission as of Dec. 1, 1947, involved 16,103 miles of natural gas pipe line to cost about \$700,000,000, according to the tabulation. These projects included the proposed 1,839 mile pipe line of the Trans-Continental Gas Pipe Line Co. from Mercedes, Texas, to New York, N. Y., costing \$150,000,000, and the project of Tennessee Gas and Transmission Co. to parallel and loop its present system with lines to Pittsburgh and to Boston, at a cost of \$150,000,000. An application of United Gas Corp. and Atlantic Gulf Gas Corp. proposes 1,530 miles of natural gas pipe line from Hattiesburg, Miss., thru southern Alabama and Georgia, extending into Virginia, northern Florida and southeastern South Carolina at a cost of \$57,125,000.

Mesdames Johnson, Hardt, White and Boyd are in Kerrville attending the Kerrville Assembly

**Auto Accident Near Pump Station Injures Five, Dust Cause**

A dust screen was the direct cause of a head-on automobile collision near the Shell-Yates pump station about 3:00 p.m. Monday afternoon in which five persons, including the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young, were involved.

Mrs. John Stoker, occupant of the Plymouth coupe driven by Mrs. Gene Mort, was the most seriously injured, suffering a head injury and bruises of the chest, knee and ankle.

The other car, a '37 Dodge coupe, was driven by J. L. Young. Both cars were demolished in the accident which occurred at a cattle-guard crossing.

J. A. McCormick of the Shell Camp brought the injured parties to the Iraan hospital for treatment. All were dismissed after receiving first aid, with the exception of Mrs. Stoker, who will remain in the Iraan hospital.

**Rankin Loses Out In McCamey Tournament**

The Rankin High School girls volleyball team lost out in a tournament held in McCamey last Saturday, March 6. In the first game, the Rankin girls lost to Iraan 49-16, placing them in the consolation semi-finals against Monahans, to whom Rankin lost by a score of 37-19.

An all tournament team was chosen as follows: Roxie Burchan, Ft. Stockton; Martha Schlagal, Rankin; Lois Holloway, Imperial; Frances Joyce, McCamey; Louise Rockey, Monahans; Margaret Cox, Iraan.

**Rankinites Attend Dinner at Iraan**

A dinner honoring Past Matron and Past Patrons of the O. E. S. was given by Iraan Chapter O. E. S. Tuesday, March 9. Those from Rankin Chapter attending were: Worthy Matron Mrs. Estelle Harrol, Mrs. Mary Halcomb, Mrs. Lenora Smith, Mrs. Odessa Edwards, Mrs. Maud Frazier, Mrs. Blanch Mitchell, Misses Myrna Holman and Maggie Taylor.

**McCamey To Have Sewer And Water Extension**

Contractor Roger Smith has been given the green lights by the McCamey City Council to salvage, clean, and stockpile approximately 17,000 feet of the six-inch pipe line now between the city and the Booster station, and to relay approximately 6500 feet in extensions over town. A bid of \$24,223 was submitted by Smith for the job, the bid including cost of all labor in the proposed extensions.

The proposed water line will extend north of the railroad on Bowie Street, then east on First to the Crane highway, with a line along the highway to the northeast corner of Block 1. The south line on the Crane highway will tie in with the existing line. The six-inch line now west on the Fort Stockton highway will be extended to tie in with the proposed line on Bowie Street. Blocks 95 and 98 of the Park Sub-division will tie in with the main six-inch line and the line will be extended south on Annis Avenue for 450 feet.

Contractor Smith will begin work on the project in approximately 30 days.

**NOTICE**

Legal notice is given as of this date that I, Lewis E. Smith, have applied for a license to the Federal Communications Commission in Dallas to operate a 100 watt station in or around McCamey.

**Weather Report**

Courtesy West Texas Utilities Co.

	Max.	Min.
March 4	65	34
March 5	36	28
March 6	65	18
March 7	75	33
March 8	62	38
March 9	77	41
March 10	75	15
March 11	23	23

**McCamey Man Twists Lion's Tail**

As an added diversion at the McCamey Lions Club meeting last Monday night, Official Tail Twister Zack Taylor twisted the tail of Jess Russell. Mr. Russell owed a fine which he refused to pay, whereupon Twister Taylor attempted to cut off Russell's tie, the latter having come prepared with a large wire reinforcing the tie. Taylor got the tie, but not the wire.

A much more serious topic was discussed, being a resolution that the Lions Club celebrate the week of June 6-12 as a birthday celebration of George B. McCamey, after whom the town of McCamey was named. Mayor Bone spoke on the subject, making many suggestions on the proposed celebration. It was decided that, as a feature, the Club bring the University of Texas swimming and diving team here during the week of the celebration. President Ruble appointed a celebration planning committee consisting of Lions Jacobsen, Forrester, Stoker, Bone and Dillingham.

A committee also was appointed to get a new contract for the feeding service to the Lions, consisting of Lions Forrester, Brown and Van Atta. For the past year, the women of the Christian Church have held the food contract.

Last Tuesday at noon a group of Lions roared into the Fort Stockton Lions Den, as a debating team, debating the subject "Americanism vs. Communism and Fascism." The members of the team were Jim Langdon, Geo. Ramer and H. S. Fitzgerald.

**Local Winners at San Angelo Stock Show**

Leo and Leonard Richardson brought home multiple awards from their winning rambouillets from the San Angelo Fat Stock Show last week, taking highest honors in more than one division in heavy-entry sections of the show.

One of the most outstanding awards was the championship award taken by a rambouillet ram which was shown by Leo Richardson in the men's breeding sheep show. This winner had previously been named champion in the Fort Stockton, Brownwood, and Fort Worth shows and the award presented in San Angelo made the fourth, purple, championship, ribbon for this outstanding ram lamb in this spring's show.

Another outstanding award was that taken by the rambouillet group shown by Leo Richardson, which took top honors as the best flock among various breeding sheep show flocks competing for Bell Trophy. Winner of the Bell Trophy for the second time, having won the Bell previously in 1941, Leo must win again in this division to achieve the signal honor of having the Bell presented as a permanent trophy. Each winner of this coveted award has their name and winning year engraved on the trophy and it is one of the outstanding awards of the show, and has a heavy-entry as it covers all breeds.

Other local winners at the show were: Men's division: rambouillets, two-tooth rams: 3rd, Leo Richardson; 5th, L. L. Richardson. Ram lambs, 1st and 7th, Leo Richardson; 5th, L. L. Richardson.

Two tooth ewes: 3rd and 5th, L. L. Richardson; 4th, Leo Richardson. Ewe lambs, 3rd and 8th, L. L. Richardson; 5th and 9th, Leo Richardson.

Exhibitor's flock, 1st, Leo Richardson; 2nd, L. L. Richardson. Lamb flock, 2nd, Leo Richardson; 5th, L. L. Richardson.

Get of sire, 3rd, Leo Richardson; 4th, L. L. Richardson. Pen of three ram lambs bred by exhibitor, 2nd, Leo Richardson; 5th, L. L. Richardson.

Boys division: rambouillets: ram lambs, 2nd, 3rd, Harry Holmes, Sheffield.

Two tooth ewe lambs, 3rd, 4th, Garry Monroe, Sheffield.

Andrew Johnson is the only American president against whom impeachment charges have been brought.

There are 240 pounds difference between a long and a short ton.

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**SHOOTING THE WORKS**

Just what is the oil industry doing to meet the extraordinary rise in demand which has caused shortages in some sections of the industry? That important question is given a comprehensive answer by the American Petroleum Institute.

First of all, the industry is in the midst of a \$4,000,000,000 expansion program, covering the 1947-48 period. This year alone it will drill about 35,000 new wells for a new high record.

It has plans underway for construction of refinery facilities with a capacity of 450,000 barrels of crude a day, and this figure may be augmented.

It is building new pipe lines, increasing the capacity of old ones, and otherwise expanding its transportation equipment. Marketing and distribution are also being substantially enlarged.

In short, the oil industry is shooting the works in an effort to bring demand and supply into perfect balance. At the present, our proved crude oil reserve is at a record high. Five thousand of the 35,000 wells which will be drilled in 1948 are for exploratory purposes in the hope of finding additional reserves. The industry's problem is not only that of meeting current consumption. It must follow sound conservation practices which will assure an adequate oil output in the years to come.

No one has really suffered for lack of oil. The shortages have been spotty and relatively short-lived. The future is expected to bring steady improvement.

**Free Enterprise And Competition Go Together**

Everybody has done a lot of talking about free enterprise, but few seem to realize that there can be no free enterprise without free competition. Many of those who are most vociferous about free enterprise are among those who are out for every tight little scheme to prevent competition. Woe to the retail trade if it supports these schemes. Everyone experiences some form of competition which he does not like, and injustices certainly are involved in some competition, but, taken by and large, competition is the most constructive and helpful force in our economy.

Some years ago restraints on free competition took the form of punitive class taxes against the chains. A Federal tax of this kind was aggressively advocated, but fortunately for the consumers of the country, did not pass. The argument was that penalizing the chains was necessary to keep the independents in business—but the years have proven that the independent who knows his job can meet competition, develop his own clientele and prosper.

Other kinds of measures which would in one way or another take competition out of retailing, are constantly being proposed. The worst, of course, would be a return to rationing and price control. Scarce goods would flow into the black market and the honest merchant would have sparsely covered shelves. And the vast majority of Americans would suffer as a result.

Competition makes for the lowest price, the best service, and the most progressive business. That is not true of any other system.

**IT'S RED CROSS TIME**

Disaster strikes! Whether fire or flood, hurricane or tornado, or other catastrophe, the Red Cross is there, sheltering the homeless, feeding the hungry and providing nursing care for the injured. That is Red Cross Time!

The unfortunate, the ill and those in need know its ministering touch. The serviceman, the veteran, and their families see it in action. All know that in time of trouble they can turn to the Red Cross. Then, more than ever, it's Red Cross Time!

Created by the people, composed of the people, the Red Cross serves all people. No day passes without its help reaching someone in every community throughout our land.

To carry on its nationwide program of service, the Red Cross each year calls upon the American people to decide whether it has been a "good and faithful servant," and if so judged, to continue their support. Throughout the month of March the Red Cross is making its 1948 appeal to the public to help sustain its far-flung activities—activities that for every dollar expended bring five- to ten-fold return in human welfare.

No truer words were ever spoken than those uttered by President Truman when he said: "Many times a year the people turn to the Red Cross. Once a year the Red Cross turns to the people."

Let those of us who are fortunate enough to be on the giving rather than the receiving end remember that it takes many more dollars to do a job equal to that of former years.

**THE RANKIN NEWS**

**Are You Too Stubborn Or Too Limp? Test Your Stick-To-Itiveness At Early Date**

How is your persistence? Do you err on the side of mulishness or do you give up too easily? To help you analyze the amount of this quality you possess, Redbook Magazine has prepared this quiz for the March issue:

"Persistence is another of the many traits of human behaviour which can vary between two wide extremes. One extreme is illustrated by blind stubbornness, the other by giving up before trying. Between the two is a golden mean of the intelligent use of persistence. By checking each of these questions, you can obtain a measure of your own power of persistence."

"1. If you want to buy an article that is hard to find, do you generally keep on trying until you find it, accept a substitute or give up and forget it?"

"2. If you have planned an outdoor picnic and it rains, do you postpone it until later, have it indoors, or call it off entirely?"

"3. If you have tried for a promotion, a new job or an award and have failed on several occasions, do you keep trying at every opportunity, try for something else instead, or give up trying for this sort of thing?"

"4. If you have had an argument or discussion with someone and feel that you have lost out, do you raise the question again and argue it further, start a discussion on another topic that you think you can better defend, or drop the matter entirely?"

"5. If you get stuck in attempting to solve a crossword puzzle, a jig-saw or any other kind of puzzle, do you generally stick at it until you have solved it, try some easier puzzle, or give up and quit?"

"6. If, in writing a letter, you run out of ink when about half-way through, what do you do—go immediately to the store and get some and finish the letter, finish it with a pencil, or let it go until later?"

"7. If when you are getting ready to leave your house to go

shopping, a zipper on your pocketbook or on one of your garments is stuck and won't close, what do you do—keep fussing with it until it works, get another garment or pocketbook, or decide you don't want to go shopping after all?"

"8. If there is something that you have been trying to get another person to do but without much success, do you keep on trying to get that particular thing done, try to get the person to do the next best thing, or give up trying?"

"9. In your daily life when you are blocked or frustrated in reaching the goals that you seek, do you feel challenged and press on in spite of the difficulties, look around for substitute goals that are easier to reach, or feel utterly discouraged and ready to quit?"

"10. What, in your opinion, is the truth in the old saying, 'If at first you don't succeed, try, try again?' It is generally true in the long run; it is true only when you try something different each time; or it brings you more grief than reward."

**Weekly Swing Of Southwest Markets**

Most farm prices followed rising trends last week, but sharp declines Monday on some products erased most of the gains.

Cattle scored gains of 50c to \$1 during the seven days ending Monday, and calves sold as much as \$1.50 higher at Texas markets. Houston bought good calves at \$25, San Antonio and Fort Worth paid from \$24 to \$27 for good and choice grades.

Sheep prices rose 50c to \$1.25 at principal SW terminals for the week. Top wool lambs brought \$20 at San Antonio, \$22 at Fort Worth. San Antonio bought common and medium shorn goats fully steady at \$8 to \$9.

Hogs advanced sharply early last week, but steady losses on succeeding days more than erased the gains. Good and choice me-



On March 12, the Laughlin Army Air Field, near Del Rio, will be opened to the public preparatory to a location sale of 452 buildings. It will be the latest in a continuous series of camp building sales being held thruout the SW for clearing the installations of all buildings to be sold for offsite use. Inspection period will close March 23, and the buildings will be offered to informal bidders on March 24, 25, 26.

No more priority certificates will be needed hereafter from World War II veterans seeking war surplus items. Previously, special certification had been eliminated from all surplus materials except certain aircraft supplies, railroad rolling stock and laundry equipment items. Now the only requirement for establishment of veterans preference to surplus is a showing of World War II discharge papers or filing of a simple statement of intent. Real property disposals, which also provide veterans priority in a few cases, will be handled the same as previously.

The SW has gone the national average one better as far as return of surplus lands to former owners is concerned. Over the nation as a whole former owners have bought back so far approximately two-thirds of this agricultural property, whereas Southwesterners who had this kind of land originally have re-acquired more than four-fifths of it. In Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi and Oklahoma, 136,352 acres of a total of 157,849 acres have been purchased under priority disposals by former owners. They paid \$2,392,775 for their lands, or about 64 per cent of the cost of the land to the government.

A quantity of miscellaneous food supplies is being offered by WAA through a nation-wide sealed bid offering. The products include such items as flavoring, pickles and staple canned goods located in 14 widely scattered government depots. Some of the food products are stored at Camden, Ark. Complete details of the sale, which closes March 16 will be available at the Grand Prairie WAA Customer Service Center.

More than 300 buildings of the Pampa Army Airfield are to be sold by the sealed bid method for offsite use. Schools and other standard priority holders will get the first chance to buy the buildings by submitting purchase applications on special forms provided by WAA. The initial priority will expire March 23. Inspection arrangements and preliminary plans may be obtained from WAA's real property office, Box 6030, Dallas, or by a visit to the WAA plant in the North American Aviation building at Grand Prairie.

Some 14,000 acres of the Pantex Ordnance Plant, near Amarillo, are seen coming up for disposal to eight different priority classes. The land is to be sold in two parcels, with World War II veterans and former owners among the eligible priority claimants. Complete information on this land disposal may be obtained from WAA's real property office, Box 6030, Dallas, or by a visit to the WAA Plant in the North American Aviation building at Grand Prairie.

**Grand Theatre**

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Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13  
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 PLUS SESOND FEATURE  
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**"THE GAY RANCHERO"**  
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Sunday and Monday, March 14 and 15  
 Fred MacMurray and Ava Gardner in  
**"SINGAPORE"**

Tuesday Only, March 16  
 Ronald Colman and Peggy Cummins in  
**"THE LATE GEORGE APLEY"**  
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dium weight butcher hogs sold Monday at \$22 at San Antonio, \$22.25 at Fort Worth. Sows sold from \$16 to \$19.

Egg prices dropped off a couple of cents per dozen last week as spring supplies increased. Dallas paid around 39c for current receipts Monday as Ft. Worth gave 39 to 40c. Poultry held firm. Heavy hens brought 24 to 26c a pound at Dallas and Ft. Worth, light hens 20 to 22c, and fryers 32 to 35c.

Monday's cotton losses more than erased gains of late last week. Spot middling 15-16 inch closed Monday at 33.10c a pound at Dallas, 33.00 at Houston.

Most grains advanced sharply last week to regain levels of a

month ago but liquidated most of the gains in a sudden break over the weekend. No. 2 white corn closed Monday at \$2.86 1-2 per bushel at Texas common points, and No. 1 wheat \$2.52.

Rice found limited demand last week in domestic and foreign trade, but the Commodity Credit Corp. made large purchases. Feed prices advanced mostly \$1 to \$2 per ton, as medium and low qualities of hay declined 50c to \$1.50. Fine Texas wools continued in demand at steady prices.

Marie Antoninette, Queen of France, when told that the poor had no bread, said, "Let them eat cake."



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**SHEFFIELD NEWS**

The Sheffield Mother's Club met last week to plan an Easter Egg hunt for the school children to be held on the Friday before Easter.

Mrs. Bill Evans has been on the sick list this week.

Jess Haley was in San Angelo Thursday to visit a doctor. Mr. and Mrs. Van Blackstone

and children, Carole and George Edward of Ozona, were Sheffield visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Holmes made a business trip to Alpine Monday. While there, Mrs. Owens visited with her daughter, Miss Wanda Lee Owens, who attends Sul Ross College.

Visitors to the San Angelo Fat Stock Show this week included Messrs. and Mmes. Jeff Owens

and son, Amos, Clint Owens, Ellis Owens and baby girl, Will Owens, Wayne Mills, Baker McGelery and daughter, H. M. Holmes and Alicia and Harry, H. C. Walker and children, H. C. Collett, Dick Collett, and Mrs. Curry Brooks.

Mrs. Tom Holmes had as her guests this week, her sister, Mrs. Grave and baby, and her brother, Glenn Lewis, of Ozona.

R. B. Ingham and his son, Buddy, are back from the horse shows at Monahans and Rankin. At Monahans on Feb. 28, Mr. Ingham won first and reserve champion place with his two year old quarter horse. Buddy won first place in the Shetland Stud class and first place in the kids riding class. At Rankin on March 2, Mr. Ingham won first place in the quarter horse division with the same horse.

Mary Heflin and Harold Holmes went to Fort Stockton Sunday to visit Mary's sister, Mrs. S. B. Creech. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thorn and Miss Betty Jo McKinley. On the return trip, they were accompanied by Mrs. Joyce Richardson who plans to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson.

Visitors from Iraan Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Minnick and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Patterson and son Jimmie.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson and daughter, Dorothea, were in Fort McKavett Thursday to attend the funeral of Mr. Burleson's mother, Mrs. J. B. Burleson. Mrs. Burleson died Wednesday in her home in Eldorado. She was 80 years old and a resident of the community for 60 years. She is survived by nine children, 29 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. The children are Willie and Burt Burleson of Eldorado, Mrs. Sam Nance of Marfa, Mrs. Henry Wyatt of Sonora, Jim L. Burleson of Sheffield, Albert Burleson of Portales, N. M., John Murr and Mrs. George Leline of Fort McKavett, and Addie Garrett of Roosevelt.

Carrie Nation, anti-saloon and anti-cigarette crusader, was known as "The Lady With the Hatchet."

The youngest age at which one may be married in the U. S. is 14 years for the men and 12 for women.

The distinguishing feature of Gothic architecture is the pointed arch.

**New Marketing Project Of Extension Service Aims To Bring Market Premium for 1517 Cotton**

The famous Acala 1517 cotton grown in New Mexico and District 6 of Texas may bring an even higher premium on the market, if the new educational marketing project of the New Mexico Extension Service meets with success. The project, conducted under the Research and Marketing Act, is designed to stimulate greater interest and participation in the certification and identification program for 1517 lint. The Texas Extension Service has granted permission to New Mexico to carry on the project in

District 6, with the help of Texas county agents.

Tests by the cotton branch of the Production and Marketing Administration have shown that 1517 cotton has the strongest spinning fiber of all upland cotton. For this reason, 1517 growers believe that their cotton should be permanently identified by sale tags in order to prevent inferior varieties from being sold as 1517. Such identification, they say, would guarantee to buyers that they are getting a high quality and would leave the way open for a higher premium on the market.

**Texas Employers Pay \$79,979 As Back Wages Under Fed. Wage-Hour Law To 1096 Workers**

DALLAS.—A total of 343 employers in Texas agreed to pay back wages in the amount of \$79,979 to 1,996 employees as a result of inspections made under the Federal wage and hour laws during the last six months of 1947, according to W. J. Rogers, regional director of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, US Department of Labor, in the five Southwestern States.

The payments were restitution for failure to comply with the minimum wage and overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, which apply to employees engaged in interstate commerce or in the production of goods for interstate commerce, and the Walsh-Healey (public contracts) Act, which apply to government contracts for more than \$10,000.

Most violations disclosed were the result of improper computation of overtime pay, which

the wage and hour law requires to be paid to all but specifically exempt employees at the rate of at least time and a half for all hours over 40 in any work week. However, the Government official said, some violations involved failure to pay at least the minimum wage of 40¢ an hour, as required by law.

Total payments of this type for the same period in the five states were \$152,808, made to 3,205 employees by 653 employers according to Director Rogers. Figures for other states in this region for the last half of 1947 were: Arkansas, \$14,363 to 321 employees by 62 employers.

Louisiana, \$23,324 to 371 by 105 employers.

New Mexico, \$112,014 to 164 by 51 employers.

Oklahoma, \$23,128 to 443 by 92 employers.

Thomas Jefferson is often called the Father of the Democrat Party.

New York City's Empire State Building is the tallest structure in the world.

King Richard I was popularly known as "Richard The Lion Hearted."

**Political Announcements**

Charges for Publication in This Column of the McCamey News: District & State Offices.....\$20.00 County Offices..... 15.00 Precinct Offices..... 7.50 (No refunds to candidates who withdraw).

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Election Saturday, July 24, 1948.

For State Senator, 29th Senatorial District:

CHARLES B. MOORE Val Verde County HENRY A. COFFIELD Presidio County

For State Representative, 88th Legislative District:

J. T. RUTHERFORD Ector County

For Commissioner, Prec. 1: CLINT SHAW SAM HOLMES

For Commissioner, Prec. 2: R. D. McSPADDEN W. J. PRICE Re-election

For Commissioner, Prec. 4: JOE E. CONGER

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**Notice**

**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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**New Census Plan**  
The State Department of Education has adopted a new plan for recording the scholastics in the state. A machine record card has been made for every pupil in the state. Copies of these machine lists have been mailed to

every independent school district in the state and schools must prepare lists of new students and a list of students dropped from last year's rolls. From these two lists the record file of cards in the state office will be brought up to date.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**Ben's Bride Gets Chickenhearted**

Ben Ryder was mighty proud of his young bride when she offered to care for his new flock of baby chicks. "Just like a mother with her brood," he boasts.

Then came market time for fryers—and the crisis! Sue simply wouldn't let Ben near her chickens with an axe. She'd raised them as babes... she'd named them... they were her very own!

Ben poured himself a glass of beer, to think things over sensibly. He hated to lose the price on fryers... but he figured Sue had put up

with his peculiarities, he guessed he could put up with her fondness for the chickens.

So now Ben has the nicest brood of laying hens in town, and from where I sit, one of the most successful marriages, too. All because he "lived-and-let-live"—literally. And whenever he wants fried chicken, he takes his bride over to Andy's Garden Tavern for a crisp wing and a glass of beer.

Joe Marsh

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**Check Your Social Security Now**

Checking your old age and survivors insurance account is a good deal like having your bank account balanced and is just as good business. This was the advice of G. D. Clark, manager of the San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration, in reminding workers of this free service of his agency.

"We urge all workers to check at intervals on their accounts," Mr. Clark explained, "so that they may be sure of receiving credit for all wages they earn. We take every precaution to insure the accuracy of our records but faulty reporting by employers still causes trouble. Most errors on reports are due to mistakes in the worker's name or account number or to the failure to show any number. Sometimes the wrong amount of wages is reported and occasionally no report at all is made.

"Most mistakes are corrected in our central records office or by getting information from the employer or worker involved," Mr. Clark continued. "But unfortunately there are some instances in which the lack of information prevents our giving the worker credit for his wages. And the amount of credit is very important because we use it as the basis for figuring the size of the payments a worker or his family

may receive. Another important point to remember is that under the statute of limitations a worker must call attention to an error in his account within four years after the wages are earned. If he waits longer than that he may not be able to adjust his records."

Mr. Clark pointed out that there is no charge for furnishing wage statements and that any worker can obtain one merely by sending in a request card. These cards, called Form OAR-7004, can be secured by writing, telephoning, or calling in person at the San Angelo office. The address is 307 Federal Building.

**WHY PAY RENT?** See F. O. Senter for Trailer Houses on Easy Payment Plan.

**GIVE!**

Red Cross chapter volunteers gave more than 25,000,000 hours of service to their communities last year. They assisted other community agencies, produced clothing and layettes for the needy, worked in hospitals and clinics, assisted the families of veterans and service men, and performed many other tasks. Your contribution to the 1948 Red Cross fund will keep these volunteers busy serving your community. Give!

The largest Protestant denominations in the US are Methodists and Baptists.

Members of the Industrial Workers of the World were nicknamed "Wobblies."

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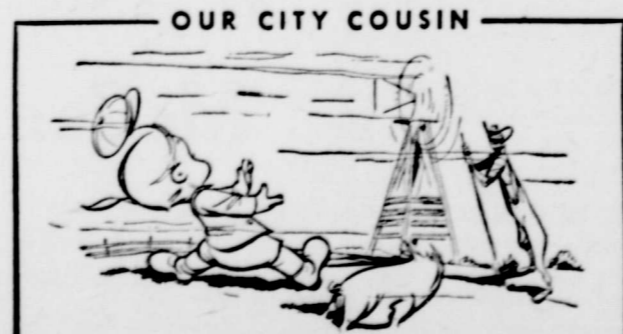


The output of our grasslands can be doubled!" Top experts of the U. S. Department of Agriculture will tell you that. So will many a far-sighted rancher and farmer out of his actual experience. So will students and teachers of land management everywhere... In that bright possibility of range and pasture improvement lies one principal hope for more food for a hungry world. Not only more food, but better food. For proper grassland management will improve the fertility of the land, and the nutritive value of the foods coming off it. It will save the land, too, protecting the precious layer of topsoil from blowing away or washing off to sea. And it will increase the amount and value of hay for cash-crop or winter feeding.

The way is wide open for you to improve your grass. Strong and willing allies stand ready to help you. For advice and active help in planning your own grass-management program, there's your County Agent... For technical, practical help in putting your program into operation, call on the Soil Conservation Service technician who lives in your district... And for information on newest experimental developments, call on your State Agricultural College or experiment station.

The program of good management for your grassland which you work out together will probably consist of some—or perhaps all—of the following practices. If you're in the range country: (1) Livestock numbers balanced to the amount of grass you can produce. (2) A rotation schedule of seasonal grazing. (3) Water located conveniently. (4) Elimination of excessive brush. (5) Wider distribution of salt to prevent overgrazing near salt source. (6) Re-seeding of overgrazed or abandoned range. (7) Introduction of improved native grasses and adapted new grasses. (8) Irrigation. (9) Protection against wind and water erosion. If yours is farm pasture land: (1) Liming. (2) Fertilization. (3) Seeding with pasture mixtures which stretch the grazing season at both ends. (4) Weed control by mowing or chemicals. (5) Rotation grazing. (6) Avoidance of over-grazing. (7) Irrigation.

We of Swift & Company have the same deep, basic interest that you have in range and pasture improvement. More and better grass is to our interest as it is to yours—and to the nation's. That's why we urge you to act, if you have not already done so, to increase the productiveness of your grasslands.



Cries Our City Cousin to the hired man, "Please turn off that big electric fan!"

**Martha Logan's Recipe for SPRINGTIME PORK AND VEAL**

(Yield: 5 to 6 servings)

- 1/2 pound pork shoulder
- 1/2 pound veal shoulder
- 1/2 cup diced rhubarb
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1/4 cup water

Cut pork and veal into 1-inch cubes. Brown in heavy skillet. Add rhubarb. Cover and simmer 1 hour. Remove cover. Combine salt, flour, sugar, and water. Stir lightly into meat. Simmer 5 minutes to blend. Serve hot with or without toast.

**Soda Bill sez:**

... that flattery is soft soap— and soft soap is mostly "lye."



**Profit Comes from SAVING!**



The story at the head of this page is about farmers and ranchers making the most of their grasslands. By good planning, managing well, and operating efficiently, they can grow more grass, produce more food for the world, and make more money. While writing that story, I was struck by a similarity in the Swift business. For it is careful planning and efficient operation that keep us in business, too. Like you with your grassland, we've got to make the most of what we have. We've got to practice efficiency. We, also, must cut costs, operate with economy. Not only the important economy of finding uses and markets for every possible by-product, but economy and efficiency all along the line.

Maybe you saw Swift's recent financial report for 1947. It showed that we earned \$22,334,977 after provision of \$12,000,000 for high cost additions to fixed assets. This earning represented one cent out of our average dollar of sales. That one cent was earned in large part by the savings we made. The operating figures of our business prove that statement. They show where the savings came from. New methods of doing things which save time and cost. Modern equipment replacing old, worn equipment. Better ways discovered by Swift research to produce, use and handle Swift products. A small saving here... another there... little economies pyramiding into big economies. Until, added together, the savings which we made last year in the actual day-by-day operation of the Swift business amounted to a considerable part of our earnings.

Careful planning, good management and efficient operation are "musts" in our business as in yours. "Little things" can often add up to the difference between a profit and a loss.

F.M. Simpson

Agricultural Research Department

**"Pitted" Pastures Produce More Grass**  
As reported by A. L. Nelson, Robert Lang and Oscar Barnes of Wyoming Archer Field Experiment Station

"Pitting" pastures has stepped up grazing capacity of range land by as much as one-third, according to the Archer Field Station in southwestern Wyoming. "Pitting" is a simple mechanical treatment. It can be done with a one-way Wheatland plow with alternate eccentric disks. These eccentric disks leave a waffle-like surface with pits about 16 inches apart. The pits trap water, help produce more grass.

The eccentric disks are 2 inches larger than the others, with the gang bolt hole 2 inches off center. In mounting the eccentrics, you start from the rear and replace every other disk with an eccentric. Mount the first eccentric with the long side up, the second with the long side to the rear, the third with the long side down, and the fourth with the long side to the front. Continue in the same rotation until all disks are mounted.

Best time to pit is early spring, before most plant growth has started. The cost runs from 50 cents to a dollar an acre.

**"Weigh 'em to Swift!"**

The pen gate opens and cattle crowd into the alley, headed for the scales. A cry rings out, "Weigh 'em to Swift!" Another lot of livestock has been sold to Swift & Company. That deal is a miniature of the business relationship between livestock producers and meat packers.

When this lot of steers was "finished," the producer sent them to the stockyards, consigned to a commission firm. In the "yards" livestock buyers came to look and make their competitive bids. Competition is always keen because 26,000 meat packers and other commercial slaughterers in the United States are active in livestock buying. Each buyer knows that unless he bids "the going price" for the animals he wants, some competitor will get them. Also, he knows that if he bids too high his company will take a loss.

Thus competition and the law of supply and demand set the prices all along the line. This load of steers went to Swift & Company because the Swift buyer offered more than other buyers. And the price he paid was based on his estimate of what the meat, hides, glands and other by-products would be worth to Swift & Company.



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