

# THE RANKIN NEWS

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## HOLMES, PRICE WIN COMMISSIONERS RACES

### Increased Enrollment Foreseen for Rankin School for Coming Year

#### 'Use Your Vote In 1948' Is B&PW Program Theme Next Meeting

The Rankin B&PW social for the month of August, 1948, will be held at 8 p. m., Thursday, September 2nd, at the home of the president, Lelia Workman, with Hattie Mitchell, Sug Boggs, and Mary Bell as hostesses. The program under the arrangement of Nan Daugherty, Chairman of Public Affairs and Opal Nix, Chairman of Legislation, with Jane Still and Nan Daugherty presenting the program on the subject, "Use Your Vote In 1948."

Superintendent Hamilton Still announced early this week that all final preparations had been made preliminary to the opening of school here next Monday. These preparations include plans to care for the expected increased enrollment in the schools and adequate housing for the teachers of the faculty. A complete faculty of twelve members have been obtained and will be in Rankin the latter part of this week.

Superintendent Still said that the increased enrollment would

be due to the many new families who have moved to Rankin since the close of school in May, and also said that due to a Federal Court ruling that Latin American children will be housed in the regular school building instead of attending the school that has been previously maintained for them here.

New rest rooms and drinking fountains have been installed during the summer, and also, an all-summer repair and maintenance program of the building and grounds have the school property in excellent condition for the opening of the new term.

Some 240 students are expected to report for the opening in both high school and grade school here Monday.

He states that all faculty members have had from 5 to 25 years experience.

A special assembly has been scheduled for 9:00 a. m., in the auditorium when the members of the faculty will be introduced. Parents and guests are invited to attend the assembly.

The faculty is announced as follows:

First Grade: Mrs. H. H. Shiller, Wingate, Texas.

Second Grade: Mrs. Helen Pruett of Alpine. Mrs. Pruett formerly taught in Houston and received her Master's Degree at Sul Ross this summer.

Third Grade: Miss Mittie Jackson, San Saba, a member of Rankin's faculty last year.

Fourth Grade: Miss Mae Garner of Mullen, Texas. Taught in Rankin school last two years.

Fifth Grade: Mrs. Virginia Ivy, Rankin. Taught in Fort Stockton's schools last year.

Sixth Grade: Mrs. Leola Hurn, San Angelo. Taught in Rankin last year; has done post graduate work at San Angelo College this summer.

Seventh Grade: Mrs. Irene Nettleship, Richland Springs. Will also teach public school music.

Eighth Grade: Mr. H. H. Shiller.

High School: Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, Iraan. Taught last year at Falfurrias, Texas.

Mrs. Helen Reynolds, Iraan. Taught formerly in Houston.

Miss Cleona Quiett, formerly of Big Lake. Will teach piano and voice. Received Master's Degree this summer in Chicago.

Mr. C. C. Fitzgerald, Mentone. High School Principal and Coach.

#### Mrs. Myrtle Elliott, Long-Time Resident Of Rankin, Is Dead

Mrs. Myrtle Ethel Elliott, 54, wife of I. C. Elliott of Rankin, died at her home in Rankin Tuesday afternoon following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Elliott had been a Rankin resident for 24 years. She was born in Llano County near Valley Springs on June 25, 1894. She lived in McCulloch County before moving to Rankin. She was married to Mr. Elliott, November 14, 1917 in Brady.

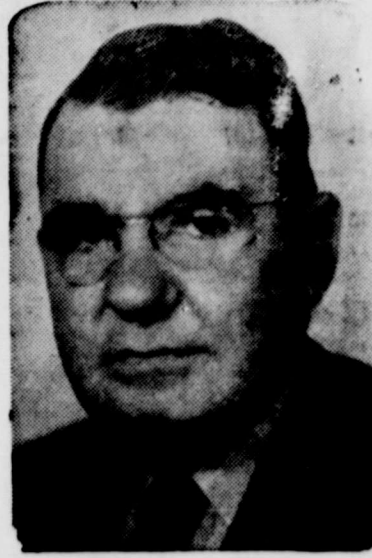
Funeral services were held from the Church of Christ at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with Minister Bill Gipson of Texon officiating. Burial was in the Rankin Cemetery under the direction of Jacobson-Moore Funeral Home of McCamey.

Surviving besides the husband are: three sons, Thearon of McCamey, and Joe and Jim, both of Rankin; four daughters, Mrs. Opal Coleman of Ft. Stockton, Mrs. LuNell Stubbe of Houston, and Roma and Ella Ruth Elliott of Rankin; two sisters, Mrs. Dona Taylor of Salt Gap and Mrs. Lizzie Conoly of Hamilton, and three brothers, Frank, Willis and Richard Faulkner, all of Brady, and several grandchildren.

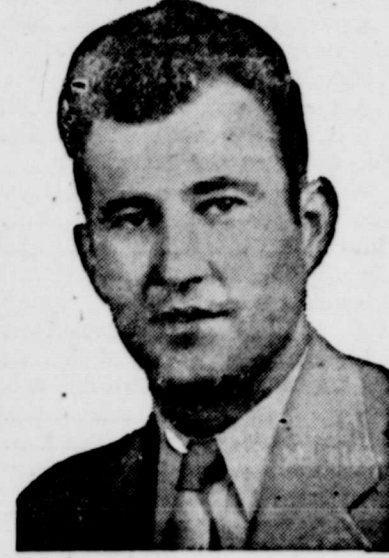
#### HOLMES' VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alvin Holmes who have been attending school in Denton this summer, spent the week-end with the H. S. Holmes family and other relatives here. They will go to Freer, Texas this week where they have accepted positions on the school faculty.

Mr. J. T. Holmes has been quite ill at his home the past few days, having suffered an attack of acute indigestion.



HILL D. HUDSON



J. T. RUTHERFORD

### RISE TO STRONG RANKIN FOOTBALL TEAM ELEVEN RETURNING LETTERMEN GIVE

#### J. E. Rains Death Is Reported Wednesday

Word was received Wednesday night of the death of Mr. J. E. Rains in Tomball, Texas. Mr. Rains is survived by five daughters, Mrs. L. L. Word, Mrs. Stanley Kozimor and Mrs. Clois Baxter all of Rankin; Mrs. R. D. Gibson of McCamey and Mrs. Max Schultze of Artesia, New Mexico, and four grandchildren.

Mr. Word flew to Tomball upon receipt of the message and the family will attend services for the deceased in Bowie, Texas, probably Saturday.

#### Benedum Area To Have Two Prospectors

Slick-Urschel Oil Co. has made locations for two more prospectors in the Benedum area of E. C. Upton Co. Both are slated to start operations at once.

Slick-Urschel No. 1-B A. E. Gordon will be 660 ft. from south and east lines of the NW quarter of sec. 47, TCRR survey. It is 1-2 mile north and slightly west of Slick-Urschel and Shell Oil Co., Inc., No. 1 Gordon, recently completed as a flowing oil well from the Ellenburger. No. 1 Gordon is the second producer to be finished in the Benedum field.

Slick-Urschel No. 1 J. S. Elliott is to be 660 ft. from the south and east lines of a 293 acre lease which is the west half of sec. 10, C. D. Moseley survey.

That makes it one and one-quarter miles west and one-quarter mile south of the Slick-Urschel and Plymouth Oil Co. No. 1 Standefer, SW flanker to the initial producer in the Benedum field.

In an exceptionally large turnout of voters last Saturday in the Democratic run-offs, Sam Holmes won the Commissioner post in Precinct No. 1 by 102 to 77 vote over Clint Shaw. Holmes will replace Hazel Yocham as Commissioner. Yocham was beaten by the two run-off candidates in the primary election held in July.

Voters in Precinct No. 2 gave a narrow eight vote margin to W. J. Price over Walter Poage in the Commissioners race in that precinct with a final vote of 90-82. Price was seeking re-election.

The only other local race of importance, D. O. McEwen won the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2 by a wide 121 to 38 tally over Elsie Turner.

#### PAULEY RE-ELECTED

In the races for the Democratic party posts, G. C. Pauley was re-elected by 453-248 vote margin over Arthur Schnaubert. Others elected to the Upton County Executive Committee in the various precincts were: Precinct No. 4, R. W. McKinney 72 votes to 27 for C. L. Eddleman; Precinct No. 5, I. L. Edwards 61, J. G. Herrington 18; and Matt Dillingham 101 to 61 for J. C. Langdon.

#### RUTHERFORD, HUDSON WIN

J. T. Rutherford of Odessa won the State Representative race by a 4,000 vote margin over Emory Corbett of Midland. Rutherford replaces George Elliott as legislator for the 88th District. Elliott did not seek re-election.

In the 27 county Senatorial race, Hill Hudson won the State Senate post over Henry Coffield by a narrow 190 vote margin. Coffield conceded victory Monday.

In the United States Senatorial chase, the Texas Election Bureau gave Coke Stevenson a 362 vote margin over Lyndon Johnson with nearly a million votes having been cast in the statewide race. This tally was based on complete, but unofficial returns. The exact results will probably not be known until the State Democratic Committee adjourns at its meeting to be held in Ft. Worth on September 14.

#### McCamey Post Office Reports \$2,500.00 In Cash Missing

A shipment by mail of \$25,000 dollars in currency consigned to the Security State Bank here in McCamey is mysteriously missing from the McCamey Post Office, according to R. A. Johnson, acting Postmaster. The loss was reported to Postal authorities early Wednesday morning when the money was found to be missing.

The shipment arrived in McCamey Tuesday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

According to Wayman Rose, Executive Vice President of the Security State Bank, this shipment of currency was to meet local payrolls. The money came to McCamey from the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas.

Rose stated that these shipments are always registered and insured.

Post Office Inspectors are conducting the investigation and stated that no additional information was available at press-time Thursday.

#### Freddie Davis Reported Missing

Freddie Davis, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Davis of this city, has been missing from his home since late Tuesday afternoon, according to Upton County Deputy Sheriff Earl McWilliams.

He left his home saying that he planned to go to Ft. Stockton and no word has been heard of him since that time. He left home about 6:30 p. m. Tuesday afternoon.

Anyone who might have seen, or talked to him, after that time is urgently requested to contact either Mr. or Mrs. Davis at their home, or contact the Sheriff's Office in McCamey.

Tommy Hall, Rankin High 1948 graduate, left Tuesday morning for Kerrville to enroll in Schreiner Institute for the coming semester.



One of the lovely Water Follies Aquabelles who will participate in the "World's Finest Musical Revue" in water, Sept. 21-26 at the San Anelo Fair.

#### IN AND OUT AND AROUND THE TOWN

Jimmy Workman spent the past week-end in Lubbock and returned to Rankin with Mr. and Mrs. David Workman on Tuesday. The latter have moved to Rankin where David has accepted a position with the Ranchers Wool & Mohair Association.

Ralph Daugherty, Jr., left the first part of the week for Schreiner Institute at Kerrville, where he has enrolled for his second year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Turner and daughter, Mary Aldeen, returned to Rankin from Phoenix, Ariz. the first of the week. Mr. Turner, who has been engaged in drilling and contracting in Arizona has sold his interests there and the family contemplates moving to Ft. Worth to make their home in the near future.

Mrs. Maude Frazier has returned from an extended visit with her son, Pettit Frazier, and family in Portland, Oregon.

Tuffy Barfield was in from the ranch at Lamesa on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe January of Claude, Mrs. Luella January and Mary Ann Workman visited Carlsbad Caverns Saturday.

W. D. Price of Cisco spent the week-end with the W. J. Price family and friends.

Jean and Jerry Estep of Lubbock have been guests in the home of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Still, and family this week. The girls' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Estep, arrived on Thursday night to spend the weekend in the Still home and accompanied the girls back to Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kozimor were business visitors in San Angelo last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Steele, Jr., and children, Peggy and Mary, returned from Borger last Friday where they had been visiting in the home of Mrs. W. C. McDonald. Mrs. McDonald is the mother of Mrs. Steele.

Miss Shirley Daughettee of Barstow is the guest of Mary Ann Workman this week.

Mrs. LuNell Stubbs of Houston arrived Tuesday night to attend funeral services for her mother, Mrs. I. C. Elliott.

Mrs. "Dutch" Ohlenberg and children are visiting her parents in Eldorado, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rambo left last week for Claremore, Okla., to visit relatives for a week. Mr. Rambo's mother, who has been visiting them here, returned to her home in Brownwood.

Mr. Amos Floyd of Kemper Station near Big Lake, Texas, is assisting Mr. Geo. N. Irvine of the Humble Pipe Line Co., while Mr. Lee is on vacation.

Dr. George Irvine, Jr., flew from Fort Stockton to Dallas last week on business.

#### Rodriguez Refused Bond At Habeas Corpus Hearing

Juan Rodriguez was denied bond at a habeas corpus hearing held before District Judge Alan Frazier in Alpine on August 23.

Deputies Earl McWilliams and Bob Schlagal took Rodriguez to Alpine for the habeas corpus procedure upon the request of Judge Frazier. A Presidio lawyer by the name of Dodson had petitioned the court for the hearing in behalf of Rodriguez.

After testimony had been heard by Judge Frazier, the court ordered that Rodriguez be returned to the Upton County jail in Rankin and be held without bond pending his trial on charge of murder.

He is one of two Latin Americans charged with the slaying of two colored men north of McCamey early in August.

#### Coffield Says "Thanks" For West Texas Vote

In a letter written to the News Publishing Company this week, Mr. Henry Coffield, defeated candidate for State Senator from the 29th Senatorial District expressed his deep appreciation for the vote and support rendered him by the people of this area in last week's election.

Mr. Coffield is mayor of Marfa.

Lev Hudspeth of Abernathy was a Rankin business visitor the first of the week.

## BOYD CHARGED WITH MURDER

### RETURNED TO CRANE COUNTY TO BE HELD IN CUSTODY PENDING TRIAL FOR MURDER



James M. Boyd, 27, Odessa, charged with murder in connection with the brutal slaying of his estranged wife, Jewel Boyd, 48, of Odessa, was taken to Austin Sunday night where he admitted that he had killed his wife. Boyd was in custody of Crane County Deputy Sheriff, M. E. Lear, and Ranger Earl Stewart of Pecos.

Boyd was taken to Odessa Tuesday where officers were making further investigation.

Lear and Odessa deputy sheriff, Clyde Ray, made the arrest last Friday in Odessa, and lodged the suspect in jail here Saturday around noon. Mr. Lear filed charges in Mrs. M. M. O'Neal's justice court office. The local officer had spent the night at the Odessa jail Friday questioning Boyd.

He was held on Tuesday after discovery of Mrs. Boyd's body, three miles north of Crane Monday evening August 23, but was released after lengthy questioning.

Evidence after that stacked up against the suspect with his stories failing to coincide. He repeatedly denied that he killed his wife.

Mrs. Boyd's body, the face cut and beaten beyond recognition,

was found under a mesquite bush off of the north highway to the west near a gravel pit, when a B&B Construction crew coming in from work stopped to examine a wheel barrow. Although near the body, it apparently had no connection.

The torn earth, a dental bridge, and blood spots on the ground, indicated a struggle beside the near-by road. The face of the woman bore deep, sharp cuts, and her eyes and nose were gone.

Jewelry which she wore was identified in Odessa. The body was identified by Henrietta Greer operator of the J&J Cafe owned by the dead woman, and the ex-husband, Boyd, when they were taken to McCamey where the body was at the Jacobsen-Moore Funeral Home. Boyd was quoted as saying "That's Jewel! That's her!", and bursting into tears.

He was questioned at the alleged scene of the murder afterwards.

Boyd attended the funeral services held in Cisco Thursday, August 26, where the mother, Mrs. M. A. Engult resides. Two of the four said surviving sisters are Cisco residents, also, namely, Mmes. Ethel Miller, and Ruth Norman; Mrs. Susie Miller lives at Leroy, and Mrs. Vera Allie, (Continued on Page 4)



**BROADWAY BEAMS**

By Dick Temple  
Bob Hawk's quote: The Russians are learning that some school teachers can't be tempted with Red apples. . . . Cal Tinney's quip: The buyers' strike has now brought about a unique situation and now it's the butcher who is getting the cold shoulder. . . . Raymond Paige's line: When the U. S. tells the world we are going to do something about preserving peace the other nations take our wad for it. . . . Rudd (The Lasse Show) Weatherwax writes: Soviet leaders say their people are in good hands but forget to add that the hands are around their necks.

Penny (Blondie) Singleton's note: High prices are causing people to walk the straight and narrow, with very few venturing into buy-paths. . . . Rod (Grand Ole Opry) Brasfield's banter: About the only way you can cut down on your overhead these days is to go to your barber. . . . Art (Bob Hawk Show) Gentry's observation: Today's dollars go so fast they must be equipped with jet propulsion.

Minne (Grand Ole Opry) Pearl's patter: Start saving now, because nobody loves a flat man. . . . Arthur (Dagwood) Lake's truism: Communists are like second-hand automobiles, the less substantial they become, the fore knocking they do. . . . Julie (Musicome) Conway's jutting: No one knows what the long skirts will be up to next. . . . Howard (Blondie Show) Petrie's comment: The four-power parlay hopes to get fusion out of confusion in Germany but Russia insists on keeping the 'con' in.

Jimmy (Musicome) Desmond's dandy: A woman can't become President because when a woman throws her hat into the ring, by the time people recognize what it is, the election is over. . . . Hank (The Bob Hawk Show) Sylvern's contribution: Congressional speeches are printed and distributed by the government without the slightest profit and many of them are read that way, too.

**Texas Postal Receipts Show Slight Decrease**

AUSTIN. — Texas postal receipts in July slid fractionally below the June level, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research has reported.

Totalling \$3,071,447 in July, receipts from 60 Texas cities rose nine per cent from a year earlier. The Bureau's index, adjusted for seasonal variations, increased fractionally from June and climbed 13 per cent from July, 1947, to stand at 246 per cent of the prewar (1935-39) average.

Palestine reported an increase of 26 per cent, the greatest gain over the month. Lubbock postal receipts stepped up 24 per cent from June, followed by Brownsville, 20 per cent, and Snyder, 17 per cent.

Seguin turned in the highest decrease from June to July—70 per cent. Receipts at Bryan dipped 30 per cent, and Austin receipts slid 17 per cent from one month earlier.

**ELECTION RETURNS**

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	Total
<b>For U. S. Senator:</b>							
Lyndon B. Johnson	80	60	4	57	53	96	350
Coke R. Stevenson	93	109	6	55	33	73	374
<b>For State Senator, 29th Senatorial District:</b>							
Henry A. Coffield	65	61	9	59	41	76	311
Hill D. Hudson	106	103	1	53	44	88	395
<b>For State Representative, 88th Legislative Dist.:</b>							
J. T. Rutherford	43	50	6	71	41	98	309
Emory T. Corbett, Jr.	134	114	4	40	45	71	408
<b>For County Chairman, Dem. Exec. Committee:</b>							
Arthur Schnaubert	62	56	4	64	20	42	248
G. C. Pauley	112	107	5	44	63	122	453
<b>For County Commissioner:</b>							
<b>Precinct No. 1:</b>							
Sam Holmes	102						102
Clint Shaw	77						77
<b>For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:</b>							
W. J. Price		90					90
Walton Poage		82					82
<b>For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 2:</b>							
Elsie Turner		38					38
D. O. McEwen		121					121
<b>Chairman, Demo. Exec. Com. Prec. No. 4:</b>							
R. W. McKinney		72					72
C. L. Eddleman		27					27
<b>Chairman, Dem. Exec. Com. Precinct No. 5:</b>							
J. G. Herrington				18			18
L. L. Edwards				61			61
<b>Chairman, Dem. Exec. Com. Precinct No. 6:</b>							
Mat Dillingham					101		101
J. C. Langdom					61		61

**Boyd Reveals Full Story Of Murder In An Exclusive Interview From Jail Cell**

By Joan Crowover

"She had a knife, and I got a car pump," James M. Boyd, 27, of Odessa explained today from the Crane County jail where he is lodged on charges of murder, "with malice aforethought," in connection with the death of his wife, Jewel Boyd, 44, of Odessa, whose body was discovered under a mesquite bush 1.6 miles north of Crane off of the highway west.

Boyd admitted that he killed his wife at dusk-dark on Sunday evening, Aug. 22, after a rendezvous. "I denied it all until we went to Austin," Boyd said, referring to being taken there by Deputy Sheriff M. E. Lear and Ranger Earl Stewart of Pecos, "but I wanted to tell them all the time. I knew it was wrong, but I couldn't help it, and I know that I have a debt to pay, and I'll pay it in the right way—however that figures out.

"I feel better since I have told them. It was a big load off my mind. I never have given anybody any trouble, and I won't now," he continued. Occasionally he would remember that only one was present to tell a usually two-sided story. The two had never gotten along since their marriage, he related. "Never could agree on anything, and she wanted to stay gone all the time."

Mrs. Boyd had returned from a visit to Cisco and San Angelo Saturday morning before her death Sunday. "She told me she left on Monday, but I found out that she left on Tuesday," he said. "I saw her Sunday morn-

ing about 9:30, I guess it was out at the place, (referring to their J & J Cafe place of business on the highway in front of the county airport in Odessa), "and I met her at Green's Avelon Drive-In on the Bankhead around 3:30 or 4 o'clock. I asked why she didn't come home like she said she would, and she started cussing, and raising sand, and said she was going to shoot me, cut me, kill me—just first one thing and another. We started to leave, and a guy was sitting two or three cars from us. She bought him a bottle of beer, then I ordered us two. She paid for him, I paid for ours.

"When we left Odessa, we had started to McCamey, and got over here (Crane) and stopped at a beer joint and bought four cans of beer. She started raising sand again, wanting to go on to McCamey." They were en route to see a couple who had been business partners with them, but sold out due to some trouble they had had.

"We came on to town, drove around a little and onto the Grandfalls hiway," he said, tracing their movements as they turned off the first pavement to the right and circling back to the spot of the killing. "We stopped to open another can of beer."

With some omission of detail, he continued. "She was cursing and threatening me. She had the knife open, and I pulled her out of the car. I caught her hand that had the knife in it, and

hit her with my fist in the face. Then she went back to the car, and I went to the back of the car to get the pump. As we met again, I hit her with my fist once more. She swung at me and I thought she had the knife. It was dark enough that I couldn't see very well. I hit her again then I hit her three or four times with my fist and she went down, with the base of the car pump held in my right hand.

"I hardly knew what I was doing by this time. I picked her up and carried her what the officers said was 17 steps from the place where she was laying, then I went back, got into the car—I put the pump back in the car, and started back to Odessa."

He told how he went to his room at the West Texas Hotel, changed clothes and went out about two miles west of Odessa, on the old Bonkhead highway, depositing his clothes under a culvert and throwing the pump out across the ditch with his left hand.

Returning as far as the Sunshine Courts where he parked the car, and walked about two blocks to his room. He washed up, pulled across the bed with his clothes, ed off his shoes, and laid down on but didn't sleep much, if any. The next morning and Tuesday morning he was on the job at 7 for trucking contractor E. L. Farmer. Ranger Stewart and Sheriff Lear stopped him off the Goldsmith highway with a load of easy-mix, and took him in for questioning, but released him that night after questioning and the identification of Mrs. Boyd was established at the Jacobsen-Moore Funeral Home in McCamey. Miss Henrietta Greer who was in charge of the cafe went to McCamey with the group. He said "It was pretty bad" when he viewed the remains of his wife. He was released but taken into custody in Odessa again last Friday when Odessa Deputy Clyde Ray and Lear were making the investigation.

**Cox Warns Parents of Child Defects As New School Term Opens**

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, urges the parents of all children who will respond to the school bell for the first time in September to be sure the child is physically ready for school duties.

"First and foremost is the need for vaccination against smallpox. Parents and physicians should see that children are vaccinated before they are one year of age; however if not done previously, at school age vaccination becomes absolutely necessary," Dr. Cox said. "If your child has not been vaccinated, have it done immediately so that the scar will be completely healed before school opens."

Immunization against diphtheria is also highly desirable, Dr. Cox believes. This disease, which causes serious illness and deaths among young children can be prevented with toxoid. The child who has never been protected should be given this safeguard against a dreaded disease. Even though he may have been immunized as a baby, doctors and health officers usually recommend an additional dose of toxoid to strengthen immunity before entrance into school.

"In addition, before you send your child to school you are urged to take him to your family physician and dentist for a thorough examination," Dr. Cox adds. "You will want to know that he is in good physical condition and can compete with the other children on equal terms. If the check up reveals any weakness or defect there will be time to build up his general health and correct dental defects before school opens. Don't let your child start his school life with any avoidable handicap."

Jim Langdon and his family visited friends and relatives in Ft. Worth the past week-end.

parents had separated when he was six or seven years old and he took the name of his step-father. He has three half sisters and three half brothers. The relatives live in Georgia.

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**Sheffield News**

Miss Fannie Pitts, school principal has returned from Lancaster, where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Pitts.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Campbell have returned from a vacation spent on Mr. Campbell's daughters ranch in New Mexico.

Bill Blanks was a Sheffield visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Merck have returned from a trip to Arkansas where they purchased a farm.

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**REMOVAL OF OFFICE**

I wish to announce that I will remove my office to the lower floor of the Masonic Building in McCamey (formerly occupied by Dr. George Irvine) during this week, and will be ready to accept patients and office calls on Wednesday or Thursday, September 11th or 12th.

Redecorating and installation of equipment is being carried on at the present time.

I will still be associated with the newly remodeled Cooper Hospital, any patients necessitating hospitalization will be sent to the Cooper Hospital.

My office hours in the new location will be from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon; and from 2:00 p. m. to 6:00 p. m. Emergencies only will be seen after 6:00 p. m.

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**Saturday Night, September 4**

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### Selective Service Registration Gets Underway Monday

Initial registration for the Selective Service Act of 1948 will be done in 17 working days as compared to one day in the 1940 operation, Maj. Gen. K. L. Perry, state Selective Service director, observed this week.

Registration this time will be between the dates of Aug. 30 and Sept. 18, both dates inclusive. Men 18 thru 25 years of age will register at places designated by their local boards.

Specific days when men will register are:

Men born in 1922 after Aug. 20, 1922, will register on Aug. 31.

Men born in 1923 will register on Sept. 1.

Men born in 1924 will register on Sept. 2 and 3.

Men born in 1925 will register on Sept. 4 or 7. This means there will be no registration on Labor Day.

Men born in 1926 will register on Sept. 8 and 9.

Men born in 1927 will register on Sept. 10 and 11.

Men born in 1928 will register on Sept. 13 and 14.

Men born in 1929 will register on Sept. 15 and 16.

Men born in 1930 before Sept. 17 will register on Sept. 17 and 18.

Men born on or after Sept. 19, 1930, will register on the day they are 18 years-old or within 30 days thereafter. This means that men will register as they become 18. They will register with their local boards.

Hours of registration at the local board registration spots will be from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Registration in McCamey will be at the rear of the City Hall, according to local Chairman G. C. Waley.

On Wednesday of this week, Upton County Chairman C. G. Waley announced that 32 men had registered in Upton County during the first day of the registration. Seven men registered in Rankin, while 25 reported to the Selective Service Board in McCamey.

Volunteering their services in the McCamey office are C. G. Wrester, Bettie Grace Bullion, Mrs. Loma Northcutt, Mrs. Mae Williams, Mrs. Leola McKinney, Mr. J. W. Gaddy, Jr., Mrs. Roy Sawyer and Mrs. Dee Locklin.

Registration in McCamey is being made at the rear of the City Hall, the old OPA office; while in Rankin registrants will report to the Commissioner's Court room at the Courthouse.

A total of 45 Navy commissary stores—huge super-market type grocery and general stores—are now serving military personnel at U. S. and foreign stations where commercial shopping centers are not readily accessible.

### Wilshire Test May Be In Ellenburger

Wilshire Oil Co., Inc., No. 1 McElroy Ranch Co., western Upton County wildcat, was drilling early Tuesday at 13,889 feet in lime and dolomite. Some thought the formation possibly Ellenburger, but there was no confirmation.

No. 1 McElroy has had three deep oil shows, the first from 7,992-8,004 feet in the Wolfcamp, basal Permian; the second from 9,424-82 feet and the third from 9,800 to 9,900 feet. It is in the C NE SW 148-E-CCSD&RGNG, 4 1/2 miles east of the McElroy (Grayburg) field. Six and one-half miles to the west, Gulf No. 103 McElroy, failed in the Ellenburger.

### New Ant Killer Ready For Homemakers Use

COLLEGE STATION.—"There is a new ant killer on the market which should be good news for the homemaker now, as this is the season when they are most likely to take over in the kitchen," V. A. Little, professor of entomology of Texas A&M College, says.

The new killer is called chlordane, and it is a more efficient killer than DDT for ants and roaches, Dr. Little says, and directions for its use must be followed carefully, as it is poisonous.

"Of course, the best way to get rid of ants," Dr. Little points out, "is to follow the trail back to the colony or nest and put the poison in it. However, this is not always easy to do, as sometimes the insects nest in the foundation walls or other hard-to-reach places."

If it is possible to find the ant colony, pour a small amount of a two or three percent oil solution of the chlordane in the entrance. Then check the nests about a week later, and if necessary, repeat the treatment.

In spraying in the home, an ordinary house spray gun may be used, Dr. Little says. Sprayer attachments on electric sweepers work fine, too. The baseboards, door and window cases, around built-in features and the drainboards should be wet almost to the running point with the spray. Give the cracks an extra dose. An oil solution of the same strength as that used for killing out ant colonies is recommended.

"Remember that chlordane is poisonous," Dr. Little warns. "Food, dishes and cooking utensils should be taken out of the kitchen—or put where the spray won't reach them—until after the spray has settled. Follow the manufacturer's directions for its use, and it will be safe."

The chlordane works on outdoor ant colonies too. For ants in the lawn, a dust of five per cent chlordane is good, while red ant colonies can be killed out with a teaspoonful of two or three per cent solution. One treatment is generally enough to kill the nest, Dr. Little says.

burger in drilling to 12,786 feet in 1935 to establish a world's depth record at that time.

**Neal Depth Corrected**  
Magnolia No. 1-A TXL, northwestern Upton wildcat, C NW NW 31-40-4s-T&P, was drilling at 9,439 feet in sandy shale. Richardson & Bass No. 1 H. F. Neal and A. D. Neal, eastern Upton wildcat, had reached corrected depth of 10,812 feet in lime, chert and shale. The drilling depth Monday was reported 10,819 ft in lime and shale. No. 1 Neal is in the C NW NE 9-Y-GC&SF, seven miles northwest of the opener of the Benedum (Ellenburger) field.

Fred Turner (formerly Humble) No. 1-A Barnett, wildcat C SE NW 4-Y-TCRR, 3 and one-fourth miles northwest of the Benedum discovery, prepared to acidize the Ellenburger through perforations at 12,200-225 feet in a 4 1/2-inch liner cemented at 12,236 feet, with total depth of 12,367.

Republic Natural Gas Co. No. 1-E-A Barnett, 2 1/2 miles northwest of the Benedum pool opener, was drilling at 12,802 feet in Ellenburger dolomite.

**Wallace Unchanged**  
Plymouth No. 1 J. B. Wallace and others, third well in the Benedum field, produced 25.5 barrels of oil during the first four hours of a 17-hour gauge through a three-eighths inch choke. It averaged 21 1/2 barrels of oil hourly the next six hours and continued testing, bottomed at 11,500 feet. The depth previously was reported 11,484. The well is 660 feet out of the northwest corner of lot 1, section 50 1/2, P. B. Scott survey, three-quarters of a mile north and Plymouth No. 1 D. L. Al-

### Famous Painting for State Fair Of Texas Exhibit Weekly Swing Of The Southwest Markets



"The Tornado," John Steuart Curry's famous oil, has been acquired for the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts' exhibit of "Famous Paintings by Famous Americans" at the 1948 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 9-24. The exhibit will include Grant Wood's "American Gothics." A collection of paintings by contemporary Mexican artists, including Diego Rivera, David Siqueiros, Rufino Tamayo, and Jose Clemente Orozco, also will be exhibited.

and slightly east of Slick-Urschel ford, the discovery.  
Plymouth No. 1 Taylor & Sadler, southeast offset to No. 1 Alford, was treated with 300 gallons of acid and was swabbing to clean out and test, bottomed at 11,502 feet in Ellenburger dolomite. The depth previously was reported 11,496 feet.

Only poultry and eggs held firm last week as prices of most farm products began to slip at SW farm markets, according to USDA's Production and Marketing Administration.

Spot cotton dropped below the government loan value, yet improvement in domestic mill and export demand was reported.

Rice markets took a tumble as new crop offerings increased, but most other grains closed higher Monday than a week ago. Wheat was up about 6c, corn 2 to 5c, and oats 2c per bushel. Sorghums advanced 15c per 100 lbs.

This past week saw light demand for liberal offerings of SW fruits and vegetables. As a result some prices began to slip below those of a week ago. Colorado furnished the bulk of the shipments with New Mexico moving cantaloupes, Oklahoma watermelons, Louisiana sweet potatoes and Texas Irish potatoes.

Best peaches were about \$2.75 at Palisade, Colo. Colorado sold Irish potatoes mostly at \$2.25 per 100 lbs. for US No. 1 Bliss Triumphs and Sweet Spanish onions, US No. 1 quality, at \$1.90 to \$2 per 50 lb. sack. Peanuts stood around the CCC support level at most SW terminals this week.

Demand was dull for light offerings from the new crop. Light offerings of poultry and eggs met with good demand at SW markets this past week. Top quality eggs gained a penny or more at some markets while the straight run farm eggs held steady at 37 to 40c per dozen. Heavy

hens brought 28 to 30c per lb. at Dallas, 26 to 28c at Fort Worth, 30 to 32c at Denver and 37c to 40c at New Orleans. Fryers ranged from 37 to 40c.

SW wools saw a flurry of trading last week. Prices in New Mexico and Texas ranged from \$1.62 to \$1.72 for average French combing wools.

Continued heavy runs of sheep and lambs at SW markets weakened prices. Monday's market was down 50c to \$1 below a week ago. Goats averaged steady with some weak spots at San Antonio. Mohair was dull at 40c for adult and 70c for kid, f. o. b. Texas.

Reduced cattle receipts at SW markets failed to halt declining prices last week. Losses ranged from 25c to \$2 per 100 lbs. Monday's quotation for common and medium cows stood at \$18 to \$20.50 at Houston, \$17 to \$19 at San Antonio and \$17.50 to \$20 at Wichita. Fort Worth sold common to good cows at \$16 to \$20. Oklahoma City quoted beef cows at \$17 to \$20. Denver turned good beef cows at \$21.50 to \$22.50. Most stocker cattle held fairly steady under strong demand.

Hogs held about steady at SW markets during the past six days of trading despite the heaviest receipts since May. Monday's market for best butchers was \$28 at San Antonio, 29.50 at Fort Worth, \$29 to \$29.50 at Oklahoma City; \$29.50 to \$30 at Wichita; \$31 to \$31.50 at Denver and \$29 to \$30 at Kansas City. Sows cashed at \$22 to \$25 at Fort Worth; \$25 to \$26 at Oklahoma City and \$23.75 to \$26.50 at Wichita.

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### U. S. Army Needs Volunteers Despite Selective Service

The new Selective Service Act has increased, rather than decreased, the need of the U. S. Army for high-type volunteer career soldiers, 1-Sgt. Percy L. Burleson, Commanding Officer of local U. S. Army Air Force Recruiting Station, declared here today.

"To carry out its missions," Sgt. Burleson explained, "the Army must have a strong backbone of men who have deliberately chosen a way of life offering action, training and financial security—men who are in for a career."

"Fortunately," Sgt. Burleson continued, "the opportunities for the career soldier were never greater than today. Leaders are needed for the expanding force. There will be increased opportunities for advancement to non-commissioned and warrant officer grades.

"Qualified young men can apply for the enlisted ranks from civilian life for Officer Candidate School training. The Army Technical School Plan provides a choice of schools before enlistment to high school graduates, and thorough training in one of many valuable fields. Educational opportunities through Army school courses are almost limitless. Enlistment for service in Japan or Korea, with the advantages of travel and oversea pay, is open to three-year volunteers. And financially, the Army enlistees will be better off than in many civilian jobs he could find."

Sgt. Burleson said that the Army is convinced that many young men would choose a military career if they were familiar with its opportunities and security.

For example, he said, all Army recruits who show potential leadership ability and average superior intelligence are given an opportunity to qualify for a six week Potential Leaders' Course, which prepares them for the responsibilities of a non-commissioned officer and for Officer Candidate School training.

High school graduates, he said, between the ages of 17 and 34, inclusive, may apply before signing up for enlistment in one of the more than 60 specialist courses given at Army schools. If a man is accepted for that course, he may then enlist in the Regular Army with the positive assurance that he will be sent to that school.

Few civilians, Sgt. Burleson said, can match the retirement benefits of the soldier, for in-

### Six Marriage License Issued In August

County Clerk Ralph H. Daugherty announced this week that only six marriage licenses had been issued through his office during the month of August.

Those issued included: F. M. Shults to Minnie McAunally; A. J. Moore to Daisy Mae Gray; J. A. Moore to Ellen Virginia Moore; Jess D. Hooper to Joyce Damron; Bill George Fife to Faye Maxine Kenemer; and Bonifacio Franco to Oro Castro.

### Texas State Fair To Stage 4-H Club Girl's Dress Revue

Finals in the 1948 State 4-H Club Girl's Dress Revue featuring 98 of Texas' prettiest and most accomplished girls, will take place Saturday, October 16, at the Hall of State at the 1948 State Fair of Texas, James Austin, Rural Youth Day committee chairman, has announced.

The 98 finalists will be selected from among 5,216 contestants in 126 county dress revues to be held prior to the State Fair. Judging will be in three classes—wool garments, school or sport dresses, and dresses or ensembles for special wear.

The state winner will receive a trip to Chicago for the National 4-H Club Congress in November, where she will represent Texas in the national dress revue.

A total of 22 girls will be selected as winners at the State Fair. Winners will receive prizes of electric irons, electric sewing machines and savings bonds.

Judges at the State Fair will be Margaret Brumby, extension clothing specialist of the University of Louisiana, Mattie Walker, head of John Tarleton College home economics department, and Iris Davenport, women's editor of Southern Agriculturist.

Dresses in the contest will be scored at Texas A&M College for workmanship, selection of material and pattern by Mary Routh and Nena M. Roberson, clothing specialists of the Texas Extension Service.

Finalists will be given special training in posture and modeling in Dallas, October 15. Mrs. Jessie Southworth of Dallas will serve as commentator during the revue.

For example, if a man stays in civilian life for the next 30 years, he must save \$33,752, bearing interest at 3 per cent, to assure himself a Recruit's retirement income.

If he wants to be as well off as a Master Sergeant, he must save \$74,252.

### Texas Fire Losses Down In July

AUSTIN—Fire losses took a sharp downward curve as July was registered as the lowest dollar loss month of the year.

Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, reported that July losses were nearly \$600,000 with the next lowest fire loss being \$700,000 in February. The highest loss this year was the \$1,700,000 loss in March.

Hall urged every Texan to do his best to keep down fire losses the rest of the year. So far, fire losses from January through July after threatening to break the 1947 total which was the highest in the history of the state.

Careless smoking was responsible for the greatest number of fires the largest dollar loss in July, followed by electricity. Children home from school for the summer and playing with matches caused a large amount of havoc and were fifth on the list. Lightning was sixth.

Living quarters again headed the loss of occupancies with over half the fires occurring in homes. Apartments were next, and then mercantile stores followed by grocery stores and cafes had the same number of fires and were in fourth place.

Private garages and tourist courts were two more occupancies suffering a large number of fires. Fires totaling 437 did damage amounting to \$582,918.89.

Dr. Victor Shultz and son, Victor, Jr., of San Angelo, spent last Wednesday afternoon with Dr. George Irvine, Jr., and family. They enjoyed a dove hunt while here. Victor Shultz, Jr., attends Texas University as a Pre-Med student.

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Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 9 day of July, 1948. The file number of said suit being No. 607.

The names of the parties in this suit are:  
Idella Jewell Rogers as Plaintiff, and James Howard Rogers as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: That plaintiff and defendant were legally married September 11, 1940, at Seagraves, Texas, and lived together as husband and wife until about February 1, 1947, at which time plaintiff was forced to permanently abandon defendant because of general and mental cruelty to such an extent as to endanger the health and welfare of plaintiff and to render further living with defendant unbearable and insupportable. That there has been no children born of the union between plaintiff and defendant, and that there is no community estate existing between plaintiff and defendant, WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays that she have judgment of divorce.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 23 day of August, A. D. 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Rankin, Texas, this 23 day of August, A. D. 1948.

(L.S.) Ralph H. Daugherty,  
Clerk, 112th District Court, Upton County, Texas.

### Boyd Charged—

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San Angelo.

Mrs. Boyd reportedly returned from a visit with her relatives the week of her death. Her car was found abandoned on Pearl Street in the residential district of Odessa on Tuesday after the body was found. The car contained a radio, fan, and a purse which gave up papers that led the investigating officers to the Cafe five miles north of Odessa on the Andrews highway.

Boyd is said to have stated that his wife had been married four times before she married him almost two years ago. Boyd has been employed by the E. L. Farmer Trucking contractor. He was swamping on a gravel truck on a north Odessa highway when first located by the officers. Deputy Lear called in Texas Ranger, Earl Stewart, from Pecos to assist on the case, being joined by the Odessa officers. Mr. Lear was being assisted only by Deputy Clyde Ray of Odessa when the arrest was made.

Lear commends the peace officers, and the citizens of Odessa and Crane for their splendid cooperation, crediting them for developments that have been made. "We don't plan to leave a clue unturned", he stated at the beginning. Believing that Boyd was the guilty party, Deputy Lear has spent relentless days and nights seeking to establish the evidence.

Boyd is being held in the Crane County jail pending trial in District Court.

### W. D. (Dick) Baldwin Long-Time Resident Of McCamey, Dies

W. D. (Dick) Baldwin, 63, died at his home in McCamey Wednesday night at 9 o'clock, following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Baldwin had been a resident of McCamey for about 20 years. He married the former Miss Willow Crawford 34 years ago last March.

At his bedside at the time of his death were his wife and three sons, Dewey of Houston; Donnie, who is in the Army; and Dwayne, who lives in McCamey.

Funeral services will be held in the Spalding Funeral Chapel, Friday morning September 3rd, at 9 o'clock, with Rev. W. I. Lee, Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in McCamey cemetery.

Mr. Baldwin is also survived by one brother, Harry, of San Angelo, and three sisters, Mrs. R. E. Bridwell, Cleveland, Okla., Mrs. R. A. P. Johnson, Uvalde, Texas, and Mrs. C. Gordon Foss of Van Nuys, California.

### Truck Accident Near Iraan Friday Noon

A loaded refrigerator truck belonging to Henry Scrabanek of McCamey missed the curve and crashed into some Highway posts near the Iraan Ice Company near noon Friday, at Iraan.

The trailer section of the truck overturned, damaging that part considerably, but the cab remained upright, protecting the driver, who was unhurt.

### UNCLE SAM'S SELECTIVE SERVICE

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Q: What is the purpose of the new Selective Service law?

A: To train a body of men capable of defending the nation and to select the men for this duty by the fairest method possible—registration of every man 18 thru 25 years old, regardless of wealth, influence or social position. From this registration will be chosen those men 19 thru 25 years of age who are deemed best fitted to receive 21 months of training.

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2. Q: Is this the first peace time draft?

A: No. The first was in 1940.

3. Q: How many men will be affected by the Selective Service law?

A: Military authorities estimate 9,600,000 men will be registered in the U. S. and its possessions. In Texas between 550,000 and 575,000 men are expected to register.

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4. Q: Who administers the program?

A: President Truman has named Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey as national director of the Selective Service System. In each state the governor acts as co-ordinating head and names a state director. Gov. Beauford H. Jester has named Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, state adjutant general, to hold this position in Texas.

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5. Q: When will the Selective Service Law go into effect?

A: President Truman has issued a call for the registration of all men 18 thru 25 years of age who are living in the U. S. and its possessions. Registration in Texas will take place on the following days: On Aug. 30 persons born in 1922 after Aug. 30, 1922, will register; on Aug. 31 or Sept. 1 persons born in 1923 will register; on Sept. 2 and 3 persons born in 1924 will register; on Sept. 4 or 7 persons born in 1925 will register; on Sept. 8 and 9 persons born in 1926 will register; on Sept. 10 and 11 persons born in 1927 will register; on Sept. 13 and 14 persons born in 1928 will register; on Sept. 15 and 16 persons born in 1929 will register; on Sept. 17 and 18 persons born in 1930 before Sept. 19, 1930, will register. Persons born on or after Sept. 19, 1930, will register on the day they are 18 years old or within five days after they are 18.

6. Q: How long will the law be in effect?

A: Until June 24, 1950, unless sooner terminated by the two houses of Congress.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mills spent the week-end in Marfa, where they both took part in a rodeo. Mr. and Mrs. Doc Adams attended the Adams family reunion in Snyder this week-end.



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