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Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hogan, following their wedding on Sunday, October 9 in the Chapel of the First Methodist Church of San Angelo. Mrs. Hogan is the former Naomi Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wilson, of Vicksburg, Miss., and Ted is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hogan of Crane. The young couple will make their home in Rankin where Mr. Hogan is manager of the newly opened Hogan Motor Company.

## Airport Construction Begins

### B&PW Members Hear Reports At Meeting

Nineteen members and a guest attended the B&PW luncheon and business meeting held last Thursday noon in the private dining room of the City Cafe. Vice-President Nan Daugherty presided, and Elizabeth Rains gave the invocation.

Flowers for the tables were provided for Thursday's luncheon by Mrs. Ella Barfield and Mrs. John Walker, with Flora Shaw acting as decorating chairman for the event.

Two new members were voted to membership in the Rankin B&PW Thursday, being Mrs. Naomi Midkiff and Mrs. Ella Barfield, and year books were distributed to all members.

Announcement was made of the luncheon to be held in Midland on Oct. 22 and for the Woman's Club, at which Margaret Anderson will be principal speaker and to which the local B&PW Club members are invited.

Included in reports of various committees was the report of the committee in charge of the book review which the club will sponsor on Oct. 27. Detailed announcement of plans for the review will be made within a few days.

Others attending Thursday's luncheon were:

Mmes. Leah Johnson, Clara Neal, Louise Anderson, Flora Shaw, Zola McSpadden, Gertrude Rhorick, Edna Mae Patton, Leola Hurn, Rosalie Shiller, Opal Nix, Ellen Moore, Blanche Mitchell, Ruth Holcomb, Gladys Carter, Lelia Workman, Miss Myrna Holman and a guest, Guila Miller.

### B&PW Club Plans For Book Review In Nov.

The book review which will be sponsored by the Rankin Business and Professional Women's Club, will be given in November instead of October. Mrs. Dean Chenoweth of San Angelo, well-known reviewer, will be here for this year's review with the definite date to be announced later.

### R N G C PEGASUS WELL SWABBING

Republic Natural Gas Co. No. 1 Powell, deep wildcard in Central-North Upton County, two miles SE of the initial producer from the Ellenburger in the Pegasus field, was bottomed at 13,125 ft. and was swabbing and flowing approximately 5.5 barrels of fluid per hour from the Ellenburger pay between 12,960 ft. and the current bottom.

The fluid was approximately 98 per cent new oil and two per cent drilling fluid. There were no indications of formation of water.

Operator is to continue to swab and flow until the project is more thoroughly cleaned out and will then treat the open hole section with acid in an effort to increase petroleum yield.

This possible extension to the Pegasus field is 660 feet from the north and west lines of sec. 44, blk. 40, TP survey, T-4-S.

### Upton Sheriff Posse Besits Pecos Team In Sunday Roping

Members of the Upton County Sheriff's Posse took their first roping match in the past several months last Sunday when they laced members of the Pecos County Sheriff's Posse in a roping at the Fairgrounds in Ft. Stockton.

In a 12-man team calf tie down, the locals beat the combined time of the losers by more than a minute, while in the 13 man team ribbon roping, several miscues by the Ft. Stockton men gave a wider margin to the Upton team. Cahal Clinton, head of the Upton Sheriff Posse announced that a return match with the Pecos team is scheduled at the Upton County Fairgrounds just south of McCamey on Sunday afternoon, October 30.

## McCamey Project May Be Completed This Year

Work began this week on the McCamey Airport as the J. F. Fannin Construction Co. moved considerable machinery on the site and began initial clearing and leveling of the site.

Fannin was low bidder at a letting held Sept. 26 with a bid of \$75,706.18.

Word was received last week by county officials from the Civil Aeronautics Authority that the government had approved their grant of \$58,000 as their portion of the funds to be expended on the project, and was now available as needed.

As the initial construction work of the airport proper was begun, the Upton County Commissioners Court and members from the CAA

were preparing to meet Monday, Oct. 26, and open bids for the erection of an administration building for the airport. This action was called for after the CAA and county officials were unable to accept the low bid submitted in September as it was a "tie-in" bid for both jobs, and not as separate bids.

With good luck, the airport will be completed during the current year, but should the project be held up due to the pouring of the asphalt of the 100x4,200 runways, it will not be completed until next spring.

A total of \$123,000 has been made available for the project by the county and federal government.

### MRS. MIKE HAMATIUK HONOREE AT PINK AND BLUE COURTESY THURSDAY

### T. A. B. Meeting Is On Tuesday Evening

This month's T. A. B. party was held at the home of Marjorie White, Tuesday night at 7:30.

The book review on the play, "Quality Street," by James M. Barrie, was given by Virginia Godsy. Everyone enjoyed the review and the unique way in which it was given.

When the guests first began to arrive, they played a fascinating game with cards. The object was to tell which one it was that someone had pointed to. Later, when everyone got there, the review was given.

Refreshments of frosted cakes and cookies were served to Lee Murray, Choc Romine, Vada Mae Owen, Marjorie White, Dean and Donald White, Weldon Kennedy, Virginia Godsy, Bill Hurn, Jimmy Workman, Billy Zachary, Wanda Burleson, Harry Yocham, Lalandia McDaniels, Elbert Echols, Dillard Delaney, Barbara McSpadden, Joy Ward, Bettie Sue Bodine, Carolyn Robinson, Jo Veta Yocham, Don Still, Billy Brown, Earl Brown, Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. White, and Mrs. Godsy.

### Leona Hudson Circle Meets In Dodson Home On Monday

The newly organized Leona Hudson Circle of the First Baptist Church Women's Missionary Union met Monday in the home of Mrs. Coy Dodson. This circle is named after a niece of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hudson, who recently sailed as a missionary to China. Miss Hudson formerly lived in Rankin and attended school here.

The devotional on "Prayer" was brought by Mrs. Warren Capps, with Mrs. Harley Romine leading the opening prayer.

Others attending were Mmes. Faye Jorgenson, Mable James and Omar Warren, WMU president.

### WSCS Holds Meeting On Monday Afternoon

The WSCS of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Murray McCain leading the devotional and program. Mrs. S. H. Boyd, Mrs. R. O. White and Mrs. R. H. Johnson took part on a program dealing with our educational institutions.

The WSCS members will meet in the home of Mrs. White Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock for a study session.

### Walton Harrals Attend The Texas State Fair

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral left with their daughters, Amarlyss and Barbara, for the State Fair in Dallas on Sunday. The girls are exhibiting fat lambs at the fair this year.

Mrs. Mike Grimm, cashier at the Hurst Food Market, is in Dallas for medical treatment.



SWEETHEART OF THE TEXAS AGGIES—Miss Jeannine Holland, 20-year-old brunette, was presented October 15 at the A&M-TCU football game in Fort Worth. A junior at Texas State College for Women, Miss Holland is from Houston.

## Big Crowd Expected For Iraan Celebration Oct. 22

An overflow crowd of former Iraan residents, along with great numbers of visitors from surrounding communities are expected to be on hand for the "big day" of the Old Settler Reunion on Saturday.

A good-will group of Iraan merchants and citizens toured over West Texas the past week inviting people from the surrounding territory to attend the celebration.

The Saturday program will get Kangaroo Court was held on the square last Friday evening to bring to justice two fair ladies who had made derogatory remarks about the hirsute adornments of some of Iraan's leading citizens.

Judge Geo. Reynolds heard the plaintiffs plea for protection from such untimely incidents. The defendants pleaded guilty and fines were imposed to the tune of \$3.

All male citizens, between the

ages of 16 and 100 years are growing beards for the Old Settlers Reunion. Some are enjoying this Samson-like turn of events, in that razors are laid aside until after Oct. 22. Astonishingly enough, after one of Iraan's most eminent gentlemen turned Bluebeard in a few minutes time, several have taken a page from this book, read the recipe, and came out likewise. The ancestors of these worrains doubtless would be jealous of these handsome mustachios. It is rumored that mustache wax is greatly in demand, along with an unprecedented run on Dyanshine shoe polish.

A hearty welcome is extended to all Iraan Exes to attend this first Old Settlers Reunion on Oct. 21 and 22.

Doubtless the citizens of Junction will be astonished to see this bearded flock descend on them Friday afternoon for the Iraan-Junction game.

To point out some of the handsome gents, we might name C. S. Wood, with his mutton chop style whiskers; Charles Vick with his handsome Van Dyke; Prof. Williamson and his mustache and goatee; Leonard Preston, who looks much like a second Bluebeard; Billy Troy Cox, with as handsome a set of whiskers as the girls could wish for; Jacobsen with his glossy black beard; Elzy Watson with his Robinson Crusoe-type whiskers; John Atkins, who looks like a West Coast bad man; Carter Garland, whose beard is almost long enough to curl; Jessie Weatherby with his flaming auburn beard; and others who look like movie extras after the filming of a Saturday night shoot-em-up.

### Rankin Youths Busy At Schreiner In First Year Work

Word received by their parents from Fields Branch and Theo Blue is to the effect that they are being kept plenty busy at Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, where both are enrolled for their first year. Both boys are Rankin High School graduates of 1949.

Theo is manager for the Schreiner school paper and Fields is reporter for Hoon Hall on the campus as well as being a member of the Schreiner band.

District Attorney Travis Crumpton of Fort Stockton was a Rankin business visitor Monday.

## One Seriously Injured In Accident

Johnny Williams, about 30, crashed into the rear end of a car driven by Mrs. F. M. Fambrough last Sunday night about one half mile north of McCamey causing a freak accident and sending Williams to the hospital with a serious head injury.

After the 1941 Buick driven by Williams hit the Fambrough car, his car veered to the left out of control and crashed into a panel truck owned by L. Hestand and rammed the car into the side of the apartment occupied by the Hestands causing the floor of the apartment to buckle and knock-

ing over a refrigerator in the apartment. A motor scooter between the truck and apartment was also wrecked.

Williams suffered a serious head injury and was rushed to the hospital by ambulance.

The car belonging to the Fambroughs went out of control and ran off the right side of the road and crashed into a telephone pole, breaking it into. They were treated for cuts and released from the hospital the same night.

Both cars were demolished. Williams was removed to an

Abilene hospital at the request of his family, and report Wednesday said that he had since been transferred to a veterans hospital in Fort Worth. The state of his condition was not disclosed.

Williams was a native of Stamford and had been working in the Benedum Field north of Rankin, but was residing in McCamey at the time of the accident.

Exact cause of the accident had not been disclosed by investigating officers late this week.

### PTA Announces Plans For The Hallowe'en Carnival October 29th

The Parent-Teachers Assn. announces that their annual Hallowe'en Carnival will be held in the Upton County Park Building on Oct. 29, beginning at 5:30 in the afternoon.

### OWI CHARGES FILED AFTER CAR WRECK

W. D. Wright, 29, of McCamey was lodged in the Upton County Jail in Rankin Tuesday afternoon with "Driving While Intoxicated" charges filed against him after hitting a car belonging to K. D. Dennis in front of the Bender Hotel Tuesday afternoon about 8:30 o'clock.

Wright failed to stop after hitting the Dennis car, and was over-taken and arrested by Constable Malcolm Reimers about 2 miles west of McCamey near the Stano and Oil Camp. Wright was reported to have been on his way to DeLeon.

According to Dennis, Wright was driving on the wrong side of the street when the accident occurred and he couldn't dodge him and avoid a collision.

Bond for Wright has been set at \$1,000.

### U.N. Staff Helps Victims of Earthquake



As soon as news of the earthquake which destroyed several towns in Ecuador reached United Nations Headquarters, members of U.N.'s international staff began a collection to help the victims of the disaster. Here, U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie, presents a check for \$2000 to Guy V. Partridge, of the American Red Cross, as part of the U.N.'s Secretariat aid to the stricken country.

### Juniors Play Tie Game With Fort Stockton

The Junior Devils journeyed to Fort Stockton to play them in another 11-man game. They sure got the surprise of their lives when they saw a completely different team than what they played the first time. Jimmy Y. ran the ball up to the 6 yd. line. Lindsey ran it over on the next play. Romine ran it over for the extra point. Stockton then made a touchdown and the extra point. The final score was 7-7.

### Hallowe'en Candidates

First, Darlene Workman—Waldene McSpadden.  
Second, Carolyn Branch—Sandra Cowan.  
Third, Rhoda McSpadden  
Fourth, Johnnie Lou Welch  
Fifth, Jan Daugherty  
Sixth, Sandra Keendey  
Seventh, Geraldine Smith  
Eighth, Punkin Black  
Ninth, Carolyn Robinson  
Tenth, Marlene Moren  
Twelfth, Imogene Sanders

The above are the names of the candidates for this year's Hallowe'en Carnival. There will be jars with the candidates' names on them, and you can vote for your favorite.

The PTA is sponsoring the carnival this year at the Rankin Park Building.

### VISITS BROTHER

Paul Johnson spent last weekend in Dallas visiting his brothers, Bob, Jr., and Dick Johnson. He attended the State Fair and SMU-Rice football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Barfield and children of Lamesa visited their mother, Mrs. J. O. Barfield, on Sunday.

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**McMurry, Sul Ross To Tangle In Monahans November 5 In Tilt**

When the McMurray College Indians and the Sul Ross Lobos do battle in Monahans, Saturday, November 5, one aspect of the game will be a Little All-American back pitted against a strong candidate for the same honor.

Ted Scown, "shifty" Sul Ross junior from Monahans, made the Little All-American team last year as well as all-conference. Against Scown, McMurry will throw Brad Rowland, a junior from Hamlin, Texas, whom the McMurray publicists are billing as their own contender for Little All-American honors.

When the two teams meet on Estes Memorial Field in Monahans, November 5, it's a cinch both boys will be aware of their competition for the same honor. A comparison of the records of both boys gives convincing evidence of their football prowess.

Before entering Sul Ross, Scown captained the 1946 Monahans high school Lobo team. Weighing 160 pounds, he is 20 years of age and led the entire United States last year in football scoring. His height is five feet ten inches. His scoring helped Sul Ross to ten victories during the 1948 season, no losses, and a 21-2 tie in Florida's Tangerine Bowl against the Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College.

At Hamlin High School Rowland was a three year all-district man. In two years play at McMurray he has made all-conference both years and was voted the most valuable player of the conference in 1947. In the 1948 season he ranked fourth in rushing among small colleges, sixth in total offense, and ninth in punting. Twenty years of age, Rowland weighs 195 and boasts a height of six feet.

Over 7,000 West Texans are expected to watch Scown and Rowland strut their stuff when their two teams meet in Monahans, Saturday, November 5.

Out-of-towners may secure their tickets for the night game by mailing their orders to the Monahans Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

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**McCamey High School Band Entertains RHS With Entertaining Visit**

On Thursday, Oct. 13, the McCamey High School Band paid the students of Rankin High School a very entertaining visit. The band played a concert in the Rankin High School auditorium at 2 p. m.

The band, under the direction of Mr. Buchanan, played the following pieces:

1. March entitled "Salutation"
2. Overture, "Mexican Overture."
3. Cornet Trio, J. Fuller, Howard Wolf, Ronald Baron.
4. Band arrangement of "Desert Song."
5. Saxophone Solo, Miss Janet Pauley, accompanied by Miss Ann Hawkins.
6. March entitled "The American Legion March."
7. Cornet Solo, John Fuller, accompanied by Ann Hawkins.
8. Special Baton Twirling Number — Janet Pauley, Mary Bone and Betty Perry.
9. Vocal Solo—Miss Ann Hawkins, accompanied by Janet Pauley.
10. Instrumental under the direction of Miss Nelson, band director of RHS.
11. Vocal Solo—Miss Pat Peardon, accompanied by band.
12. Fight Song played by the band, led by MHS, and sung by students of RHS.

(Dedicated to RHS football boys).  
The students of RHS wish to express their deep appreciation for the nice concert by the MHS band and wish to extend a very hearty invitation to this band to come again.

**Street Markers Planned For McCamey Soon**

The Civic Affairs and Beautification Committee of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce met at the McCamey Park Building Oct. 18, with Olin Smith, the chairman, presiding.

Plans were made to install street markers at all the intersections in McCamey. This project will appeal to the civic pride of all McCamey citizens and Mr. Smith invites everyone who is interested in helping, to report at the next meeting to be held at the McCamey Park Building on Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 p. m.

The group also discussed lighting and decorations during the Christmas season in the residential areas with prizes to be awarded to individuals on the basis of originality, ingenuity and beauty.

Those attending were Whitey Taylor, Arthur Schnaubert, Robert Slagle, Olin Smith, Fletcher Stapp; Mmes. Burley McCollum, F. E. Carter, Dick McManigle, George Ramer and Hal Cooper.

**Otha Eddleman Injured In Fall Friday**

Otha Eddleman, McCamey business man, was seriously injured last Friday at his home here.

Mr. Eddleman was trying to crank a motor and lost his balance and fell striking a nearby car. He was taken immediately to San Angelo to the Shannon Hospital in a Spalding ambulance where he underwent surgery and it was found he had a ruptured intestine with peritonitis setting in.

At noon Thursday, word was received from Mr. Eddleman that his condition is somewhat better. Attending his bedside is his brother, C. L. Eddleman of McCamey and his daughter, Mrs. Glen Albright, of Albuquerque.

**ATTEND MEETING**

Herman Deibitsch and Dell Currie of Fort Stockton attended the meeting in Rankin Thursday of the Ranchers Wool and Mohair Assn. directors.

**FEED BAG CLOTHES, AND CRANTICLEER CROWS**



There's more than one way to dress a fowl! Feed sack fashions have put the chic in chickens, and Virginia Kiechdorfer of Memphis has given a real cock-o'-the-walk strut to her rooster by making him a tux complete with top hat. Virginia, too, is clad in a sack outfit. It all started, the National Cotton Council says, in a feedbag-sewing contest dreamed up by the Poultry and Egg National Board to find the ten "best-dressed" fowls in the nation. Winners will be selected in Kansas City in February with an automobile as the grand prize. Any poultry fancier may enter his chick, duck, or turkey by writing for an entry blank to the Fowl Fashion Show, Poultry and Egg National Board, 308 W. Washington St., Chicago 6, Illinois.

**HELPFUL HINTS**

BY MYRNA HOLMAN  
County Home Demonstration Agent

**WINTER KEEPING**

If the weather man was right by the time you read this it will be time to store away the summer clothing. Care in packing these away will pay dividends next year when warm weather returns. Stains and soil easy to remove now may be "set" if left to age on clothing. So it pays to put clothes away clean. Also remove starch that may be in the fabrics. Silverfish especially like starch and may take a hole from the garment in the process of eating the starch.

Store the clothes where they are protected from dust, rust, mice and insect pests. Remove any pins or metal ornaments, fold carefully to avoid unnecessary wrinkles and store. A heavy cardboard box with any cracks sealed with gummed paper is a fair choice and one available to all.

If you are one of the fortunate people who have closet space enough to hang summer clothes during the winter, be sure to use wooden or plastic hangers rather than the thin metal which may leave rust marks. And while we're at it, just a word about the winter clothing that has been stored away. Try each garment and check fit, length, and so on as well as checking to see if further mending or cleaning is needed. Be sure to air them out well before using, especially if they have been stored in moth balls. That's one advantage of using para-dichlorobenzene (dichloro crystals) in storing woolens, the odor readily disappears.

For storing the summer hat, use a box that is plenty big. Fill the crown with crushed paper and place paper under brim where necessary to keep it in proper shape. Seal the box and label the end. Store shoes with paper stuffed in the toes or use shoe trees.

**WHY IS MY CAKE DRY?**

That's a question commonly asked when the question of baking comes up. Could be because you live in Upton County! Or in other words it could be the high dry climate. You'll have to know your recipe. It is often necessary to use two extra tablespoons of liquid for every cup called for in regular recipes when using cake flour in order to make a good moist cake. When using all-purpose flour it may be necessary to add even more.

This is partly because flour dries out in the dry atmosphere. But it may also be due to some change in the gluten of the flour during dry storage which makes it absorb more liquid. The older the flour the more liquid is required.

In baking cakes at high altitudes, the liquid is increased while the tenderizing ingredients such as sugar and leavening are decreased. Moisture is the binding material in the batter so its increase helps improve the quality of cakes baked in high-dry climates.

**4-H DOINGS**

Paula Osburn of McCamey and Elsie Miller of Rankin were chosen by their fellow club members to lead the Upton County 4-H Clubs during the coming year.

McCamey 4-H girls have been busy preparing an exhibit, displayed at the annual achievement event on Thursday. Their display showed the work required of the 1949 girl in order to be in the 100 percent class.

**Iraan Band Leaves Monday For State Fair**

The holiday air about the Iraan school grounds Monday had much to do with the band trip to the State Fair. Boys, wearing broad-brimmed hats and boots, were carrying bags (or clothes if packing with the other fellow) and those white shoes, vital part of the band uniform.

The girls were scurrying around on last minute errands, so many details to be checked over before 4 p. m. Mr. Vick, still behind his Old Settlers' beard, was checking over lists and carrying out plans made earlier in the month. He says he may dispense with the beard (after he leaves town).

On the stroke of the hour, 4 p. m., at last the bus loaded for the long-looked-for trip to the Fair. Congratulations, Mr. Vick, and your fine band!

**L. H. Watkins Passes Away In Sleep Here On Sunday Morning**

L. H. Watkins, father of Geo. Watkins of Iraan, passed away in his sleep some time before dawn Sunday morning at his son's residence in Iraan.

Mr. Watkins had been about his work as usual until a week before his fatal illness. He was stricken suddenly a week ago Sunday and was taken to the Cooper Hospital in McCamey. Later his condition appeared to be improved and he was brought back to the Watkins residence in Iraan.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Watkins were away on vacation at the time of the unexpected illness, but returned immediately upon learning of his father's health.

Appearing to feel much better on Saturday, Mr. Watkins was downtown during the day. He passed away in his sleep after midnight that night.

Services were held from the First Baptist Church of Harper, with Rev. Byron Bryant of San Antonio officiating. Burial was in the Harper cemetery with the Jacobsen Funeral Home of McCamey in charge.

Mr. Watkins was a native Texan, having grown to manhood in Gillespie County. He moved to Kermit about 14 years ago, residing there until a year ago, when he moved to Iraan to make his home with his son, George.

**Weekly Swing**  
SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

Some southwest farm products brought higher prices during the past week, while many others declined to lower values, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

More eggs came on the market this week, as cooler weather stimulated flocks and as more pullets started laying. Prices eased in spots. Most markets quoted young chickens a cent or two lower. Hens also weakened slightly. A few turkeys went to market at 30 to 35 cents a pound for turkey hens and 24 to 30 for toms.

Wholesale markets for southwest fruits and vegetables recorded many lower prices this week. Liberal receipts at most markets met with rather slow demand. Light receipts at New Orleans had fairly good trading. Sweet potatoes strengthened over the week-end in Southern Louisiana. Demand improved for Colorado potatoes and onions, and prices rose slightly. Best Red McClure potatoes sold around \$2.

More cattle and calves went to market in the Corn Belt last week than the week before, but less calves arrived in the Southwest. Beef and veal sold steady to higher for the week, but calf meat weakened. Slaughter calves and some stocker cattle sold lower Monday than a week earlier, but other cattle ruled steady to higher. Good and choice killing calves sold from \$18 to \$22 in Texas.

Increased hog marketing and lower dressed meat prices resulted in weaker hog markets. Butchers lost \$1 to \$1.50 in Texas and Oklahoma, and sows around \$1. Denver's prices fell about 75 cents. Top butcher hogs brought \$18.75 Monday at San Antonio, \$18.50 at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City, and \$19.25 at Denver. Sheep sales held up to the previous week's numbers, but fell far below last year. Dressed lamb and mutton advanced during the week. Lambs sold 50 cents to \$1 lower for the week at Oklahoma City and midwest markets, but sheep and lambs changed little

**IRAAN PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Calk and daughter, Judy, of Victoria, Texas, spent the past weekend in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Calk.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Johnson have been visiting relatives in Houston, Mo., for the past two weeks.

Misses Polly Hardin and Dixie Black of Sul Ross were Iraan visitors over the past weekend.

Charles Phillips of John Tarleton College is at home this weekend.

Mrs. C. A. Nunn and son spent the past few days in San Angelo and attended the circus Friday afternoon.

Miss Helen Gibbs of Howard Payne spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gibbs of Iraan.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hudman

at Texas and Colorado terminals. Top lambs sold around \$22.

From half a million to a million pounds of mohair sold in Texas this week, according to unofficial estimates. Most sold at 45c for adult and 65 for kid.

Sorghums advanced 6 to 8 cents a hundred pounds during the week, as most other grains netted slight declines. No. 2 yellow milo closed Monday at \$2.15 to \$2.18 in bulk carlots delivered to Texas common points. Texas white corn sold from \$1.50 1-2 to \$1.53 1-2, ped bushel, and yellow corn \$1.47 1-4 to \$1.48 3-4.

Fairly active demand for rice held prices about unchanged on increased marketings during the past week. Feed markets remained unsettled, with only minor price changes. Increased supplies of hay sold at about steady prices despite slow demand. Prices of shelled peanuts and peanut oil eased slightly this week.

Cotton showed little net change for the week. Spot middling 15-16 inch Monday, Dallas 28.80; Houston 29.10; Galveston 29.20; New Orleans 29.30; Little Rock, 29.40.

are being transferred Nov. 1 to Andrews by the Stanolind Oil Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop Craddock and children, David and Jane, of Sundown, will be visitors at the Old Settlers Reunion. The Craddocks are former residents of Iraan.

Jimmy Burnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Burnett, is at home from his station in North Carolina. Jimmy has been in the U. S. Army for the past two years.

Rod Richardson has been spending some time on the Cap Yates Ranch of late. He is running sheep on the Yates Ranch while Mr. Yates is devoting his attention to Charlay cattle.

J. W. Cummins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cummins, spent the past weekend in Iraan. J. W. is attending Schreiner Institute, Keppville, and attended the Iraan-Junction game in Junction Friday night.

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### Water Business Must Obey Stricter Laws Operate In Texas

AUSTIN, TEXAS, Oct. 19.—Some people claim oysters are safe only during the months they have R in their spelling, but the Texas State Health Department says oysters are not safe a month, with or without the R, if the seafood has not been cultivated, shucked, packed, and shipped under sanitary conditions. Texas' veteran state health official, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, says oysters have much to commend them as a source of food. They have protein of good quality, iron, and copper (important as a protection against anemia), iodine, which is essential for proper working of the thyroid gland, and a fair amount of vitamins, Cox says. But he adds emphatically, "Beware of uncertain oysters." According to the doctor, each grower in Texas is given a certificate of approval for the oyster beds he uses, provided the department officials find the beds are free from pollution and the shucking houses are clean and well-kept. Otherwise, no certificate is issued. Each shucking house (where oysters are opened) must have a certificate showing all employees are free from communicable diseases, especially typhoid fever. Certificates are issued annually. The Federal government cooperates with the State by keeping a list of all certified shippers in Texas. If a shipper isn't certified, the State Health Department says oysters can't be shipped in interstate commerce. And since Texas has some fine oyster beds, Cox says the interstate commerce ruling is an incentive for shippers to adhere to sanitary practices. Otherwise they lose the out-of-state market. That's the situation on oyster shucking from a man who says, "So don't look at the calendar when you order oysters. Ask the dealer if his product is certified by the proper public health officials."

### Veteran Land Program Delay In Texas

AUSTIN, Oct. 19.—Bascom B. Giles, Commissioner of the General Land Office and Chairman of the newly created Veterans Land Board, said today that it is doubtful if any land purchases for Texas veterans would be completed before December 1. The first bonds will be offered for sale on October 26," stated Giles, "and there is no reason to anticipate that men will be available for our act- ing for at least another thirty days. The thousands of inquiries we have received," Giles continued, "and other necessary delays are making us later than we had anticipated. We ask veterans and their owners to bear with us until we have secured the money to complete transactions." Giles also requests veterans considering making applications for the cognizance of our regulations and policies relative to minimum rights." The statute creating the Veterans Land Program prohibited sales unless 50 percent of the mineral rights were conveyed to the land. The Board, which is composed of the Governor, the Attorney General and Commissioner Giles, ruled at its first meeting that a six-month period would be given applications which included all minerals or more than a one-sixteenth acre of land. The Board is not approving transactions in which the present owners are seeking to retain mineral interests at the present time." Giles said. "Applications which do not conform to this policy are being rejected by the program by requiring attention which could be used for completion of conforming applications." Baylor University, now in Waco, was originally located at Independence, Texas. Dallas City is the home of the State's largest tin smelting and casting plant. Victoria, Texas, was the home of the first meat packery in the State. Pony raising is one of the major industries around Brownwood, Texas.

### Merit System Exams Set For November 19

The Merit System Council, which serves as "clearing house" for positions in the Texas Employment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare, will hold open competitive examinations on November 19,

1949, for a number of positions now open in both agencies, according to Chas. S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

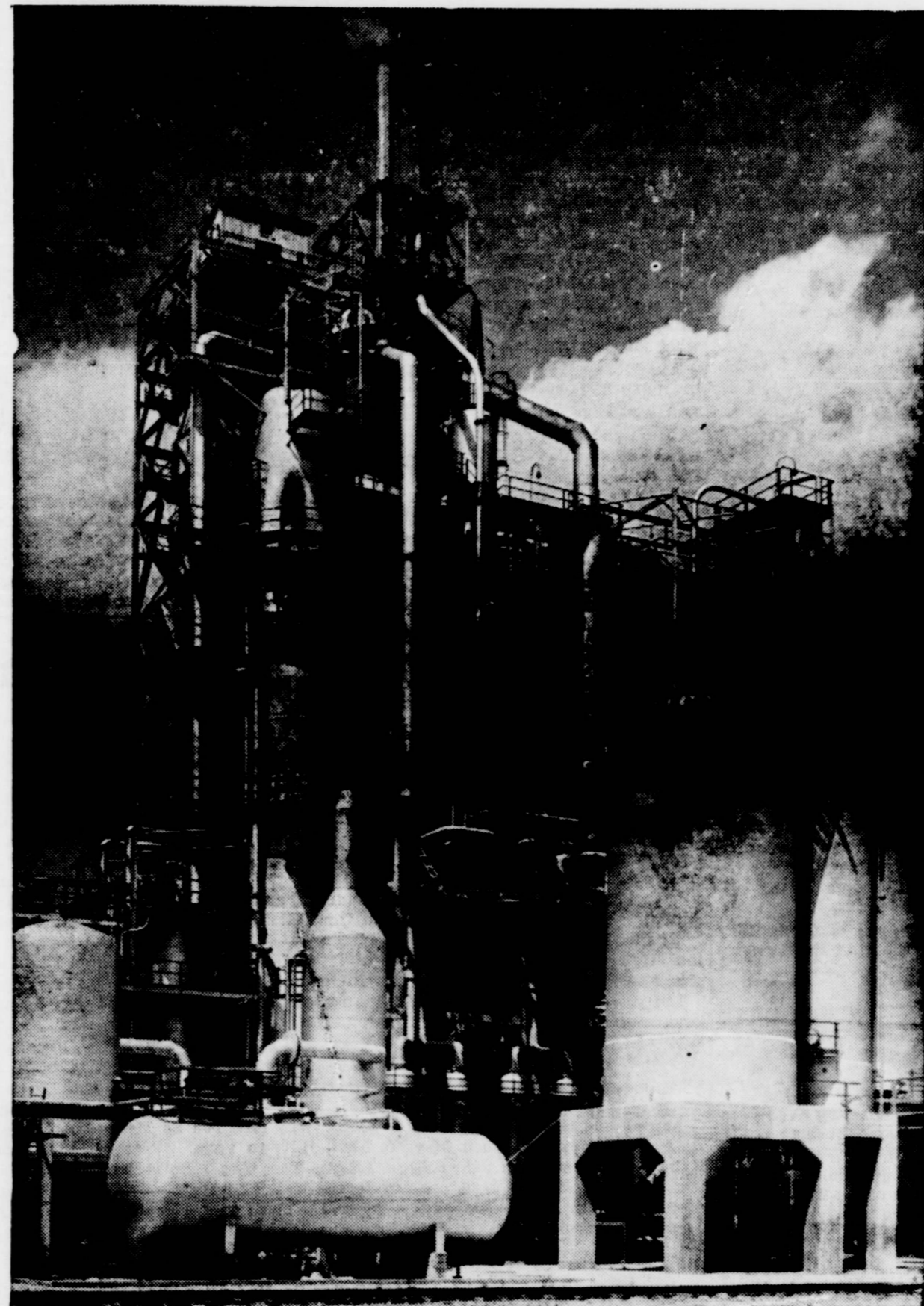
Positions to be filled by these agencies consist of Field Worker, Interviewer III, Stenographers, Clerk-Typist, Clerk IV, and Apprentice Clerk. Qualifications for these positions vary from high

school graduation to college work and experience requirements. Gardiner pointed out that application to take an examination must be made on an official application blank, which may be obtained from the local offices of the Employment Commission and the Department of Public Welfare located throughout the State, or by writing the Merit System

Council, 1000 San Antonio Street, Austin, Texas. "The closing date for submission of applications is October 29, 1949, and applications postmarked after midnight on the closing date will not be considered," he added. Gardiner also stated that these examinations present to people the opportunity for permanent employment with the Texas Em-

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 ployment Commission and the State Department of Public Welfare.  
 Memphis, Texas, was so named because when settlers were trying to decide upon a name for the town, a letter addressed to Memphis, Tenn., was sent there.  
 Longview, Texas, was named by surveyors who were impressed with the long-distance view from the townsite.  
 Alba, Texas, was so named because settlers did not permit negroes to live there. Alba means "white."

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## WHAT IF—

Nearly everyone in Alg. I failed their six weeks test? (Which one? Both!!!!)

Joy knew the history of cocker spaniels backward and forward? The volleyball girls were learning to serve like Jo Veta?

Wilma just can't wait until pay day? (She says it is a new dress this time.)

Some girls stay on the warpath where their brothers are concerned?

Jean had no faith in herself?

Wallace M. is waiting for a chance to go with a certain somebody? (Could it be Virginia G.)

Civics had such an effect on Aaron and Virginia as to make them spill ink all over each other?

Homemake I got off with a giggle Tuesday morning?

Helen and Billy would get along fine?

Chock's jacket found a new owner each day?

Mr. Schmidt found out about Mrs. Schmidt and Dillard?

Mr. Still took pictures in study hall from one to two?

Eugene W. was bashful?

The eighth grade girls tried to undress Jerry Romine?

Mrs. Schmidt watched Chock and Jada Mae, when Vada Mae and Chock were busy?

Jimmy Workman had a spotlight on his car?

Dillard broke down out on a deserted road. (Accident, you know!!!)

Some girls gave some boys their rings back with a smile?

What if Dillard could get lost going out to Prichard's camp?

Marlene could write stories for the paper. (Ought to be the editor now.)

Lee had to sit on Don Still's lap. (Heavy, wasn't she, Don?)

## Ideal Boy Should Have

Hair and eyes of Jimmy Yocham.

Physique of Jerry Romine

Personality of Murray M.

Nose of Chas. Wheeler

Teeth of Richard Payne

Lips of Jerry Romine

Complexion of De Wayne

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## MISS THOSE EXES

By Jimmy Workman

The confusion of the first few days of every school year is gradually disappearing and students are realizing just what the conditions are this year. They are comparing this year to the preceding one and noticing the different changes and new people.

Among the main differences, the student thinks first of all of the ones who were here last year but now are gone. The graduating class of last year was composed of well-liked and very popular students. The fold of RHS misses them very much now that they are no longer around. The members of that class are already scattered about somewhat and RHS wonders how they are and what all they are doing.

The data on these guys and gals (as much of it as the Red Devil staff has) is as follows:

Fields and Theo are in Schreiner. We hear that Theo is manager of the school paper there and that Fields is a reporter on same. We are sure that they like it very much there and we wish them all the luck in the world.

Norma Jo and Virginia are also "gone off" to school. Norma Jo is in Abilene and Virginia is in Lubbock. We all hope they miss RHS as much as it misses them.

James Gambelin (good old "Snake") is going to school in Canyon, Texas. We haven't heard a word from him yet but we just suppose he is doing fine. He is probably studying too hard to write (?????????????)

Donald and Grover Lee are still here in good old Rankin and we get to see them occasionally. They are working hard on that "first million."

Martha Etta is pretty lucky—she's living a happy married life somewhere.

The students of RHS are looking forward to the coming holidays when they will once again see last year's friends. Until that time the students of RHS extend a hearty "hello" and wish to express the fact that they miss the seniors of '49 very much. May they have no trouble in their college careers and may they progress rapidly so RHS will always be proud of them.

## Ideal Girl Should Have

Hair of Ann Shaw

Eyelashes of "Lyn"

Nose of Esther

Lips and teeth of Alice

Voice of Jerry

Complexion of Punkin

Personality of Ava D.

Figure and legs of all the girls.

## Pic-Tours of Europe

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## Students Hit Parade

"Someday"—Sammy-Gloria.

"Dime A Dozen"—Chock to Billy.

"Let's Take An Old Fashioned Walk"—Billy to Who????

"My Hero"—Bill Hurn to Don Still.

"Forever and Ever"—Joy to Jean.

"Haul Off and Love Me"—Virginia from all the boys.

"You're A No Good Son Of A Gun"—Gene W.

"Disappointment"—Lee to Tim

"All Wrapped Up In Gingham"—Home girls.

"Take Me Back and Try Me Again"—Ted to Mo.

"Puddin' Head"—Marjorie White.

"Baby, Why Are You So Mean To Me"—Billy to Vada.

"I Love You, Yes, I Do"—Don to Joveta.

"Who Do You Love? I Hope"—Jimmy to Mo.

"You're So Good for Good for Good for Nothing"—Mae-Lee.

"You're So Understanding"—Vada to Mrs. Schmidt.

"What Did I Do"—Bruce to Gloria.

"You're In The Army Now"—Paper Staff.

"Wedding Bells"—Buddy to Wanda H.

"The One I Love Best"—Ruthie to Winnie.

"Foolish Questions"—Imogene to Don.

## NICKNAMES

Demeris—Sis

Evelyn—Lyn

Alice—Sally Goodin

Marva—Monkey

James M.—Scholar

Amaryllis H.—Slats

Jerry A.—Moron

Ava. D.—Sweetie

Betty Ann—Freckles (and how)

Ann—Brown Eyes

De Wayne—Blackie

Reil—Sticks

Dan Blue—Egg Head

Joe Ellis—Temper

Farland—Bashful

Smiling Jack—Billy Dean

Little Lulu—Joy Ward

Cookies and Alexander—Joveta and Ted.

Millie the Model—Imogene

Archie—Billy Brown

Red Rider—Red Morgan

Superman—Don Still

Mary Marvel—Barbara Yocham

Mighty Mouse—Choc Romine (A date with) Judy—Ruthie Elliott.

Barbara A.—Bobby Lou

Esther—Blondie

Shirley—Specks

Loretta—Page Boy

Charles W.—Cholly Dolling

Dan—Fats

Kenneth S.—Shorty

Murray—Mac

Beth—Lover

Gaynelle—Punkin

Nola—Flirt

Dean White—Kid

Jimmy Y.—Yokum

Jerry R.—Kissing Bandit

Jimmy N.—Poppa

Richard—Winker

Alfred—Lemon

Have you ever looked into the halls of RHS and seen these characters?

Nancy and Sluggo—Wanda B. and Harry Gene.

Little Iodine—Jean Shaw

Flash Gordon—Lewis Ward

Dick Tracy—Bob Schlagal

Blondie and Dagwood—Mona Sue and Grover Lee.

Olive Oil and Popeye—Barbara M. and Elbert E.

Brenda Starr—Lee Murray

Tarzan—Dillard

Jiggs and Maggie—Don and Joveta.

Boots and Rod—Ted and Marlene M.

Mutt and Jeff—Billy Ross and Pete Mc.

Lil and Willis—Marlene and Gentry.

Little Henry—Dremond Ivey

## What Would Happen If—

Don was a Brewer instead of a Still.

Billy was a Green instead of a Brown.

Wilma was a Pain instead of a Payne.

Charles was Pink instead of Blue.

Mona Sue was a Limb instead of a Branch.

Jean was a Blanket instead of a Shaw.

Mary was a Pea instead of a Bean.

Punkin was Yellow instead of Black.

Mary Beth was a Boat instead of a Shipp.

Mr. Stewart was a Constable instead of a Stewart.

## Orchids And Onions

Orchids to Mrs. Hodge for putting up with the Homemaking I class.

Onions to the Algebra I class making Coach give their test over.

Orchids to Marlene and Vada Mae for getting so many new ideas for the paper.

Onions to Choc for letting the girls wear his jacket while he freezes.

Orchids to the eighth grade for being such good sports about getting left out of the paper.

Orchids to the seventh grade for being such good sports getting left out of the paper.

Onions to the students who read the paper and complain about how little there is when we do the best we can. We only have a page.

Onions to Marlene M. and Vada Mae for starting "Let's Have It."

Onions to Billie for smoking during staff meeting.

Orchids to the seniors for cooperating with Mrs. Schmidt on her fire prevention play.

Orchids to Coach for giving his algebra I class a second chance.

Orchids to Virginia for giving a book review that wasn't VERY funny?

Onions to Mrs. Schmidt for making Lee, Jimmy and Don sit on the floor.

## The Freshest Freshman

Say, have you seen that cute new freshman girl from Kansas? Her name is Carolyn Robinson. She hasn't been here very long, but she has certainly made a hit with all the kids.

She was born in Hazel, Okla., but moved to Kansas when very small.

She was elected queen of the freshmen class.

Her favorite food is hamburgers and her pastime is reading. You usually see her driving her new Oldsmobile.

## Angelic Eighth Grader

Our angelic eighth grader is Shirley Sue Broyles. She was born in Frankel, Texas, in the year 1935. Her favorites are: color blue; song—Cruising Down The River; movie stars—Bob Hope, Paulette Goddard; singer—Bing Crosby; sport—swimming; food—meat of any kind; she likes to wear skirts and blouses and sleep a lot. Incidentally, she does not have a favorite boy (at the present, we might add.) She likes to pick at Mr. Shiller. She has lived in Rankin since August, 1948.

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Class Editor.....	Winnie Elliott
Proof Readers.....	Ruth Elliott and Vada Mae Owen

## The Question Box

Our question this week is "What would you do if you had a million dollars?"

Gaynelle—Have fun and lots of it.

Nola—Have a good time

Dean—Don't know

Jimmy Y.—Go to Vina Cuna

Jerry R.—Go to Vina Cuna

Jimmy N.—Pay his way to heaven.

Richard—Spend it

Alfred—Spend it on girls

Loretta D.—Do the same as I do now.

Charles W.—Buy me a bunch of trucks.

Dan Fredwell—Go to Florida

Kenneth S.—I don't know

Murray W.—Not much telling

Mary Beth S.—Have a good time as usual.

De Wayne—Go to Vina Cuna

Reil—I don't know

Dan B.—Buy me a piece of bubble gum.

Joyce E.—Anything anybody else would.

Farland—Be a rich man

Barbara A.—Go back to Kansas

Esther—Buy a convertible Cadillac. Wow!!!

Shirley—Don't want it, might get robbed of it.

Marva—Gosh, I don't know

James M.—Spend it.

Betty Miller—Spend it on anything.

Ann—Buy Rankin a new school

Jerry A.—Pinch myself to see if I was dreaming.

## The Sauciest Sophomore

The sauciest sophomore this week is none other than Joy W. She was born May 14, 1934. She moved here from Roscoe, Texas in 1947, and is liked by everyone.

She has black hair, blue eyes and a wonderful complexion which is the envy of many. She also has a wonderful voice. Her favorite color is blue. Her favorite food is thick chocolate malts with crackers. Her peevish are various, but the most one is people talking about her brother, Louie.

She declares that the thing she likes best to do is sing. Next she likes to skate. The thing she likes least is algebra. Her favorite sport is basketball. Boys that she also likes to play volleyball.

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