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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1964

Cut by Wide Range of Activity Slated Before 25th

## It's Christmas Party Time in Rankin



the program.

"The young people have worked hard to put on this program, so we are inviting you to be present," Rev. B. J. White, pastor, has said.

On Sunday night, December 20 at 7:00 p.m. the Community Pageant will be presented at the high school auditorium. A practice of the cast is scheduled for 3:00 p.m., Sunday.

Selecting the cast has been under the direction of Tommy Workman, Norman Elrod and Rev. R. L. Shannon. Wardrobes have been designed by Mrs. Don Leach, Mrs. Tom Workman and Mrs. Jim Wells.

Mr. James Mabry will direct the choir. Organist will be Mrs. Edwin Autrey and pianist will be Mrs. E. W. Love.

Scenery has been designed by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shaffer, Son-

ny Mayes and Rev. and Mrs. B. J. White.

The cast will be composed of Wallace Gary as an angel, C. B. Davis, H. Wheeler and Horace West as Wise Men and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mathews as Joseph and Mary. Shepherds are yet to be selected.

The public is invited to attend this performance of the Christmas story. There will be no admission charge.

One of the big attractions of the week will be the annual Rankin Christmas Party, sponsored by the Rankin Lions Club and local merchants and individuals. Action will get under way at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 19 at the Ford Theatre with a big, free cartoon show. Following the show, Santa has definitely promised to make his appearance and he will be passing out a nice gift to all the children and will hear any special requests they might want to make. Everyone is invited to attend and there is no age limit. It's all free.

On Saturday night, December 19, the Beta Sigma Phi will hold their annual Christmas dance at the Rankin Park Building. Time is from 8:30 until midnight. Tex Collins and his Tom Cats will play and admission is \$3 per couple.

All in all, it might be said that there's something for everyone in the Christmas season—regardless of age.

### Basketball Nears End of '64 Action

Basketball results for Rankin were wide and varied the past week. The Junior high won three trophies in the McCamey Tourney. The 8th Grade Boys and Girls took the Runners-Up spot and the 8th Grade B team won the consolation.

RHS Girls were defeated in the consolation play-offs in the Garden City tourney and lost a close one on Tuesday night to the McCamey girls.

The High School Boys won a pair from Sterling City last Friday night: 49-45 in the A game and 45-40 in the B contest. On Tuesday night, they lost two to Crane, 70-60 in the A game and 56-37 for the B encounter.

On Friday night at 7:00, the Red Devils meet McCamey in the Wink Invitational Tournament. Their next opponent in this event will be either the Wink team or Barnhart depending upon the won-loss of the games. The Red Devils have now lost two games—both to Crane, and won 6.

On Thursday night, Dec. 17th, the 7th and 8th Grade girls will play McCamey in Rankin.

Friday, December 18, the RHS girls will host Alpine.

Monday, Dec. 21, the 7th and 8th Grade Boys go to Barnhart while the 7th and 8th Grade Girls play Iraan in Rankin.

The last game in December will be on the 29 in Sterling City when the Boys and Girls A teams visit there.

District play will open January 4 when Rankin meets Big Lake in Rankin.

Christmas parties and programs are scheduled in bunches in Rankin over the next few days before Christmas. School parties, church socials, a community pageant, the annual Rankin Christmas party, a Sorority Christmas dance and an assortment of other activities will be on tap.

Rankin High School has scheduled their Yule party for Tuesday night, December 22, according to Principal A. C. Copeland. Time will be from 7:30 to 11:00 p.m. at the Rankin Park Building. The student council, under the sponsorship of Mr. Bill Shaffer, is in charge of the program and the refreshments.

At the same time on Tuesday,

the Junior High will hold their Christmas party in the Junior High Gym.

On Wednesday, December 23, at 11:00 a.m., Rankin Junior Hi will present a Christmas program at the Elementary Auditorium. The public is invited.

On the 23rd, the Elementary grades will hold their class parties from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Rankin Schools will dismiss for the holidays on Wednesday at 2:30 until January 4.

On Sunday at the 11:00 o'clock worship hour, the church school of Rankin Methodist Church will present its Christmas program. Mrs. Jimmy Mathews and Mrs. E. L. Autrey are the directors of

Entries from RHS --

## Devil Band Sticks Six on Regional Concert Selections

With competition strong and plentiful, Rankin's Red Devil Band wedged out six places on the Regional Concert Band in an all-day try-out session held in Midland last Saturday. Rankin competed against Class A, AA, and AAA bands and took the top spots for the Class A players.

Two brothers, James and Bobby Scarborough, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Scarborough of Midkiff, were selected in the trumpet section. Charley Shockley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Shockley of Rankin, placed in the drummer section. Donna Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Steph-

ens of Rankin, won on the bass Clarinet. Rhonda Sproul, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Sproul of Rankin, made the clarinet section, and Barbara Hutchens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hutchens of Rankin, was selected in the flutes.

Sorry Kids, but the group picture of B. Scarborough, Shockley, Stephens and Sproul did not return from the engravers. It will run next week.

This group will join with other winners from this region for a (Continued to Page 4)

### HOSPITAL NOTES

- Mr. R. C. Quick of Rankin, admitted November 14.
- Mrs. Wm. Darby of McCamey, admitted November 21.
- Mrs. Claude Collins of Rankin, admitted December 14 and dismissed December 15.
- Mrs. Viola Warren of Rankin, admitted December 11 and dismissed December 15.
- Mr. John Christy of Rankin, admitted December 9.
- Mr. W. E. Trimble of McCamey, admitted December 9.
- Mrs. John Scott Moore of Grandfalls, admitted December 13.
- Mrs. B. F. Davis of McCamey, admitted December 10 and dismissed December 13.
- Mrs. John T. Ponder of Midkiff, admitted December 14.
- Mr. L. C. Steele of Rankin, admitted December 15.
- Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Scott Moore of Grandfalls, at 10:25 a.m., December 13, a son weighing 5 lbs., 9 ozs. and named Roy Nowell.



SCARBOROUGH  
trumpet player



# THE SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

## WE'DE SQUARE AGAIN—

It's back to the old drawing board—or—square-style type setting this week. After trying the new-fangled ragged edged stuff in this column last week, I have decided to yield to popular demand and give it up for the time being. Actually, only one person expressed a dislike for the new style—me. Somehow it just don't set right. Or it may be that I've reached the old dog, new trick stage.

But don't give up. It's possible that modernization will come to the News some later date.

## TEXAS JOKE—

By now I suppose all of you have heard about the rich Texan who gave his girl friend a box full of \$50 bills. It seems that the little girl, didn't dig the Santa Claus bit but was just crazy about Ulysses S. Grant.

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTING—

Have you put up your decorations—could be that you will be

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a winner of one of the three prizes being offered. And even if you don't win a prize, it will help you get into the spirit of things by doing a little decorating.

And if you don't get into the spirit of Christmas now, it's a pretty good bet that you won't come January 1 and the bills.

Do you ever have a hankering to give a Christmas present that is different? If you do and can't think of anything, look into the ideas dreamed up by the Rankin High School kids at their Christmas party. They manage to come up with some real rare ones: A Survival Kit in Case You Are Lost in the Sahara Desert, Instant Man (for the girls) and Instant Girl (for the boys), A Bundle of Sticks—Just in Case You Ever Need a Bundle of Sticks, A Beetle Wig for who knows what, etc., etc.

On the honor roll they may not all be found but when it comes to imagination, the kids are not behind the door.

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## THE GIRLS

By Franklin Folger



"It's nice, but I'm afraid a money clip would only make him say something sarcastic."

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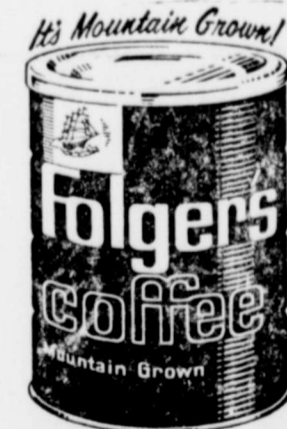
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# BOGGS GROCERY AND MARKET

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(Preceding Page)

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Red Devil Band  
Present a little  
when they  
members on the  
following try-outs  
entire group is  
as is their

director, Mr. James Mabry. I believe this is the largest number from the Rankin band to ever earn a spot on the regional selections. Now some of you 1935 graduates hasten and tell me that back then, Rankin WAS the regional band.

But as usual, it could have been better—and I do not refer to the performance of the band. As originally set up, Rankin was not going to have to compete with any bands higher than Class AA but a switch on the day of the try-outs put them into competition with not only Class A and AA but also Class AAA. Taint fair.

But I guess there's a bright side. The reason given for combining that may groups was that a batch of school didn't show up so it can be assumed that when they heard Rankin was entered

### Study Club Ends 1964 Activities

Rankin Study Club held their final meeting of 1964 last Thursday at 4:00 p.m. at the Rankin Park Building. Their first session in the new year will be Thursday January 7. Only one meeting will be held in December, due to the holidays. The regular bi-monthly schedule is to be followed after January 1.

At last Thursday's meeting, the club heard Rev. Billy J. White, pastor of the Rankin Methodist Church, give the answer to the question: "What is the spirit of Christmas." The group also prepared a gift package for the state hospital in Big Spring. The parcel was shipped Friday by the Sunset Motor Freight Lines, free of charge.

Twenty-two members and guest attended the meeting. Mrs. Herbert Hurn was correator for the

they figured—what the heck—we can't beat that bunch so why go. Smart thinking on their part.

#### SCRATCH ONE—

In their last meeting, the Board of Trustees of Rankin Schools marked off the end of senior trips for RHS. The last class to make such a jaunt will be the present freshmen. After that, no more school sponsored trips.

Now I'm not a party pooper but it seems to me that this was a good move and the reasons it seems so is pretty well set out in the statement released by the administration office in which it was pointed out that as an educational thing the senior trip is a bit old fashioned. By the time a student is a senior nowadays, he has been over about half the U. S.—and that's only an average.

I say senior trips are old fashioned. Actually, that's not the exact word. Back in the days when Heck was a pup—or when some of us went to school—senior trips for those living within a 100 miles meant a one-day trip to Carl's-bad Cavern. In poorer school districts, it was nothing. And we all lived over not getting to make a week's journey.

There is, however, one other point in connection with cancellation of senior trips and that is that one gets the feeling at times that the modern school is just one big trip or project after another. The amazing thing seems to be—when is there enough time for school? If I have heard one constant complaint about schools, and not only Rankin's, it's the gripe that there's too much added activity. It not only puts a lot of demand on student's time as well as teachers, it involves the parents and their time—and their money, to say nothing of the school's money.

Only last week a report found that a big batch of students tend college solely for the social functions that are available. Is it much wonder where they acquired a taste for such outside-of-learning pleasures?

I'll go with the board. They put the ax in a good spot. Perhaps they may find some other places to use the same stroke.

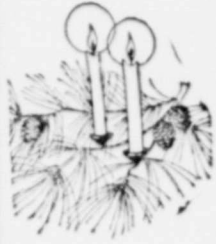
program and special Christmas music was furnished by Mrs. E. L. Autrey and Mrs. B. J. White, accompanied at the piano by Miss Donna Stevens.

On Saturday morning, the club held its bake sale at the post office and reported very good results. Funds will be used for the club scholarship fund and other local activities.

and a resident of McCamey. The hospitality committee will supervise a formal tea table.

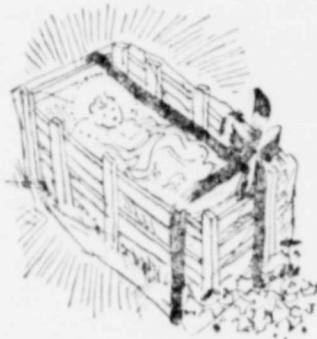
For the January 7 meeting, Federation Day, the question to be considered will be: "Of what benefit is a federated study club to a community?" The answer is to be supplied by Mrs. Dee Locklin, President of the Western District of Texas Federated Clubs

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That was the GIFT which God had promised to Adam and Eve already in the Garden and that is the Gift which came to earth in the silence of a Palestinian night nineteen centuries ago.

Will this most precious Gift be yours? It will—if you, together with millions of believers throughout the world, will acknowledge the Christ of Christmas as your Savior, Lord, and King.

"The wages of sin is death," the Bible tells us, but it goes on to add "but the GIFT of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." May that gift be yours this Christmas.

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## MIDKIFF



BY EVA CLARK

Hello from Midkiff:

Virg had much better luck with his duck hunting than with the deer so we had a big meal of baked duck with the Howards on Monday.

Betty Daniels, superintendent of the intermediates and young people of the Baptist Church, asked to announce the Christmas Program is being planned and that there is urgent need for more of the children, regardless of age, to contact her. These children are desperately needed to participate in the Christmas Pageant; also needed are young people to sing during the program.

This is the first time in years to have the program made up entirely of the young people of the church.

After the pageant, the children will enjoy sacks of candy around the tree in Fellowship Hall. All presents brought by parents and children will be donated to a Baptist childrens' home.

This event will take place Sunday, December 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the festivities.

Sunday night, December 29 is also the date set for the annual Christmas Program at the Methodist Church. All children through high school age will present

program. Roxie Curtis and Ruth Brummett are program chairmen. Adults will make up the Christmas Santa Claus will be there to see

the children after the program. A tree decorated with gifts of socks containing donations of change will be enjoyed and afterwards, the gifts will be divided equally and sent to the High Sky Girls Ranch and Otto's Boys' Ranch.

Jim Giese, a house guest of the David McElraths, will leave Saturday to join his parents in the Philippines for the Holidays.

Betty Hardings' home was the meeting place for the Red Shirt Card Club Thursday. It was decided by voting to eliminate the Christmas meeting and drawing of names. Those attending were Mary Draper, Donna Caviness, Freda Howard, Camile Burson, Eva Clark and the hostess.

The Four County Bridge Club met in the home of Esther Dwinelle Thursday. Esther and Minnie Frank were co-hostesses at this all-day Bridge and luncheon affair. Guests were Joanne Cannon and Marsha Thornton of Odessa, Doris Cannon of Sprayberry and the regular members. Pat Barrett won high and Doris won second high. Names had been drawn at a previous meeting and gifts were exchanged at this meeting.

The Cecil Lancasters have returned from spending the week-end visiting friends and relatives in Rising Star.

My vote goes to Jim Taylor as the best hog wrestler of Midkiff. I don't know how that hog got in camp; but I'll bet he came in

## Pettit-Adams Vows To be Read Dec. 26

On Saturday, December 26, Miss Eudora Pettit will become the bride of Mr. Roy Lee Adams. Rev. R. L. Shannon, pastor, will officiate at the ceremony to be held at Rankin First Baptist Church at 4:00 p.m.

Miss Pettit has extended an invitation to all her friends to attend, pointing out that formal invitations were not mailed locally.

Miss Pettit, a 1963 graduate of Rankin High School, is the daughter of Oscar Pettit and the late Effie Pettit. She attended San Angelo College and is employed at Rankin Insurance Agency.

Mr. Adams is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Yocham of Big Lake. He is a 1963 graduate of Reagan County High School and is presently attending San Angelo College where he is a sophomore student.

## County Employees Hold Monday Party

It was Christmas Party Time for county employees last Monday as they held their annual get-together at 10:00 a.m. at the courthouse in Rankin. A large amount of Christmas goodies were in evidence and some of the ladies were mentioning waistlines.

Folk having business at the courthouse on Monday were delighted with an invitation to join in on the eats.

easier than he went out. My, but that Al Schovajsa is a real hog man, isn't he Jim? You see, just happened to hear who finally caught the hog, but everyone agrees that you did the most work and wrestling—probably had that hog so tired he was unable to do too much when Al arrived on the scene.

Due to a shortage of my time, I will be unable to continue the reporting of the Midkiff news. So long, this is my last Midkiff Roundup. I would like to thank all the people who have been kind enough to tolerate my efforts and call me on news items of interest.

ED. It is with much regret that I learn that Mrs. Clark will no longer be able to report from Midkiff. She has done an excellent job and is to be commended for her community spirit. It's rather difficult for a small newspaper such as the News to cover events in Midkiff but we shall always be most happy to publish items when they are available. Thanks again, Mrs. Clark.

## Band Wins -

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concert in Midland on January 9. The 90-member band will put in most of that Saturday in a practice session and the performance will be held that night at Robert E. Lee High School.



BARBARA HUTCHENS  
... RHS flutist

## Rankin Tops Chapter In Monday Meeting

Rankin Chapter of TOPS met Monday, December 14 at the Girl Scout Hut. Due to a duplication of the name, "Tops Little Women", the local club will have to select another name. It was determined that Barbara McSpadden lost the most weight the past week.

Those attending the last meeting enjoyed singing songs concerning "faties" from the Tops Song Book.

Next meeting will be Monday, December 21 at 1:00 p.m. at the Hut.

## School Board

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by the graduating class of the current freshman

"It is the belief of school administration trips have out-lived for which they were. In past years, senior possibly have been the some students might have opportunity to travel county or at least outmediate area. This is true; our mobile society, made it difficult mine an educational trip the senior class because dents have already been places which might be ed", Superintendent Bl said in explaining the decision.

Eliminating the se would also eliminate ti so many different stud approaching the public of various types, donat name of the school g other projects which a to lable as educationa while.

Another reason give minating the trip wa mands on the faculty the classes. Class spor oversee all class project do not receive extra this additional effort s less hours.

The Board also look library circulation repo pressed gratification creased use of the libr 1964-65 circulation at school library was 862 s ed with a comparable 1963-64 of 355; the October and November at the junior high wa contrasted with last ye of 1936 books; and the usage of 925 compar

## WE SALUTE -

### The Christmas Party

For a number of years now, the Annual Rankin Christmas Party has been one of the highlights of the Yuletide Season. May we take this opportunity to remind you that you are invited to attend this years party on Saturday, next, December 19. Santa will be on hand and a good time will be had by all.

## CRITES FUNERAL HOME

COLLECT CALLS ACCEPTED

McCamey—OL 2-4601

Crane—JO 4-3543

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# Court Pays Back Salary To McCamey J. P.

A question that has been before the Commissioners' Court of Upton County for a number of years was resolved this week with the issuing of a check to Mr. Joe Hendrickson, McCamey Justice of the Peace, for \$3,121.92 in payment of back salary. Total due Hendrickson was \$4,000 but salary already paid plus withholding

cut the actual amount received by the J. P. to the above figure.

On September 1, 1961, the Commissioners Court voted to reduce Hendrickson salary from \$250 per month to \$1.00 per month. This arrangement was followed through December 31, 1962 or for sixteen months. It was for this period of time that the payment covered

The decision to pay up the back salary due Hendrickson was made Monday by the court following re-

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ceipt of an opinion from Paul McCollum of the law firm of Shaffer, Gilliland, Davis, Burton and McCollum of Odessa. The opinion said in part:

"I would respectfully invite your attention to Article 3912e, Section 15, V.A.S.S., the language of this Section being as follows:

... in the event such Court passes such order they shall pay to each of said District and County officers . . . not less than the total sum earned as compensation by said officer in his said official capacity . . .

Thus the action of the Honorable Commissioners Court reducing the salary to \$1.00 per month exceeded the scope of the authority of the Commissioners Court and was according to the statute above quoted contrary to the law and thus an illegal act.

The jurisdiction of the Commissioners Court over the County business is not general and all inclusive, but is limited to matters and powers specifically governed by the Constitution and by Statute . . . and when an order of a Commissioners Court conflicts with a legislative act the order must give way and is thus void . . .

The act of the Honorable Commissioners Court in the instant case being void was of no force and effect and Justice Hendrickson is entitled to receive his salary as set by the Commissioners Court initially for each of those ensuing months that he did not draw a regular salary.

Upton County pays its officers on a salary as opposed to a fee system and Justice Hendrickson should have been on a salary for the years ensuing the date of the order reducing his salary . . . Such salary should have been identical to that that he had been drawing prior to the date of the void order. . . ."

The opinion was rendered to the court by the Odessa law firm at the request of Hendrickson and was submitted to County Attorney John A. Menefee. The County Attorney agreed with the findings as set forth in the opinion. Hendrickson had long maintained that he was due the regular salary and had employed the assistance of the legal firm to verify his contentions to the Commissioners Court.

Hendrickson was re-elected to the J. P. post in 1962 and has 2 more years to serve at his current term. He has been on the regular \$250 per month salary since January 1, 1963.

In other business, the Court approved bills for payment and deferred purchase of a road grader until they could make a more thorough study of the equipment and attended to other routine matters.

## C. E. Dixons Have New Daughter

Its a girl for the C. E. Dixons. Born December 10, at 3:30 a.m., weighing 7 lbs., 6 ozs., in the Menard hospital, the new arrival has been named Barcy Jo. Mrs. Dixon is the former Betty McCain, graduate of Rankin High School, and a long-time Rankin resident. Both Mrs. Dixon and her husband were in the Navy.

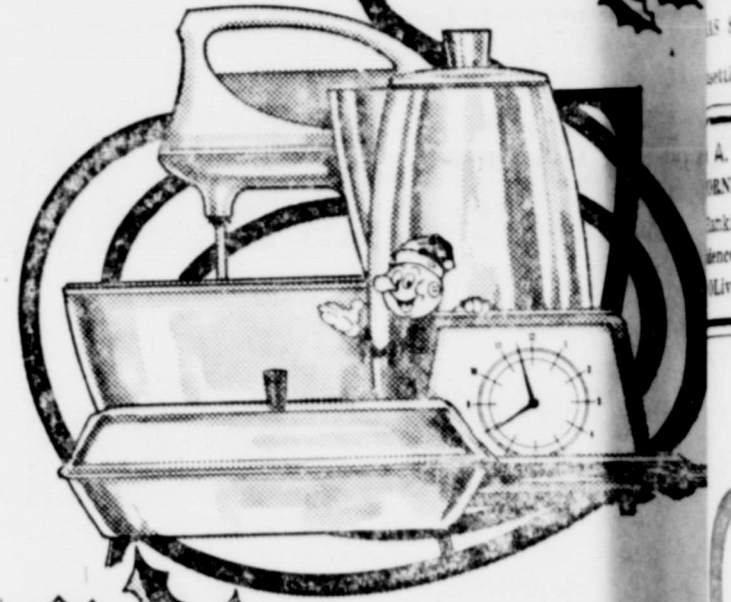
She completed her hitch several months ago and he will be discharged within a short time.

Announcement of the birth of

the daughter was made News by the child's great mother, Mrs. B. B. Brown living in Crane.

this Christmas give  
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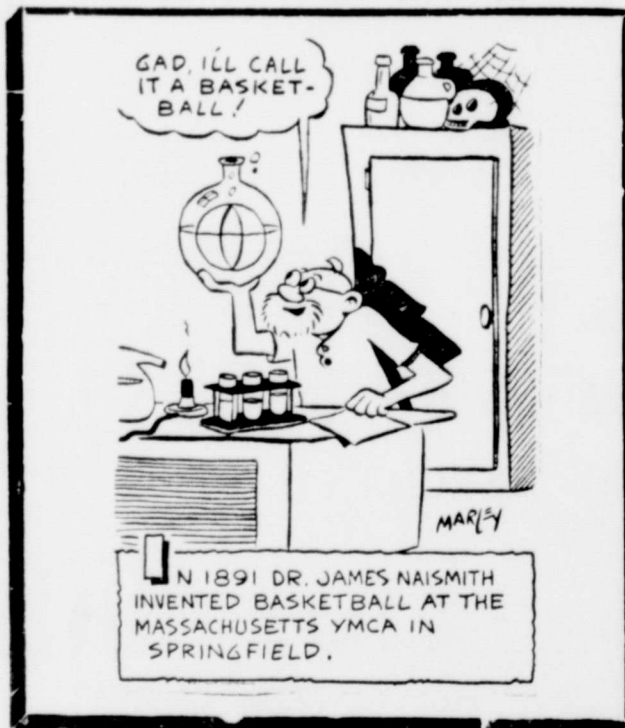
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# POINTS for the HOMEMAKER

Louie S. Jeffers, County Home Demo. Agent

Helps from bulletins your Home Demonstration office. There are many on the latest releases in fields related to home economics make useful for busy homemaker.

### SPECIALS:

Leaflet—Pamphlet B-235

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It happen only once a year—the purchase of a poinsettia. That's why it's so hard to remember just what makes a good plant.

To jog your memory—or in case you never did know—the U. S. Department of Agriculture offers these pointers for choosing a long-lasting poinsettia.

\* Select first for height and size. Choose a low, compact plant for a table centerpiece; large plants for a tub of color in the living room.

\* Look for plants that have green foliage all the way to the soil line. This indicates a good

## Adios to the Screw-Worm Fly; He Goes South of the Border

BY W. M. (DUB) DAY  
County Agent, Upton County

None of the states in the five-state eradication area reported screwworm infestations last week, chalking up the first "zero" week since September 13-19. Stockmen and eradication authorities hope this signals the end of screwworm fly activity for 1964.

In fact, if eradicators have their way, the last screwworm case for the year has already been recorded (November 28, Refugio County) and safeguards currently being injected will protect the Southwest from becoming reinfested next spring.

As all outbreaks in Texas received final spray and sterile fly treatment and no additional infestations are located, sterile flies will be withdrawn and dispersed along the eastern and western coasts of Mexico where native flies can survive the year-round. Officials anticipate that within a month or so, practically all the sterile flies being produced at the Mission plant will be dropped to

root system, a disease-free plant, and one that has been properly fertilized.

\* Select only plants with small green buttons in the middle of the red bracts. These buttons eventually develop into flowers. If the plant is already producing pollen, you'll know part of its useful display life has already passed.

Christmas Time at Home B-254, has Christmas menus, food gift suggestions with recipes, refreshment ideas for the holiday party and old and new favorites of the yule season.

Turkey on the Table the Year Round, Home and Garden Bulletin No. 45 USDA, answers how much to buy, how long to cook with different methods, what is best to buy—large or small, and recipes for stuffings to fit every families likes.

Home Care of Woolen Blankets, leaflet L-56 and The Steam Iron, leaflet L-515, could be packaged with your Christmas gift of these two household items.

Visit your local Extension Service Office for help on Home Economics and related subjects.

## Rebekah Lodge Sells Hope Chest Tickets

As a fund raising project, the Rankin Rebekah Lodge No. 8 began sale of tickets this week on a hope chest. Drawing is to be held on February 14, 1965.

The Rankin Lodge participates in a number of local projects, is the sponsoring organization of a Scout group in Rankin and makes contributions to various state and Lodge supported institutions.

Tickets will be 50-cents each or 3 for \$1 and may be purchased from any of the membership.

the south of the international border. At the present time, only South Texas and Hidalgo County, New Mexico, and Cochise County, Arizona, are being routinely air-dropped. These grid releases will be suspended at the earliest possible date. Adjustments will also be made to the fly drop in northern Mexico to insure that sterile flies are dispersed only where native populations can live during the winter and serve as a threat to the United States.

Authorities hope to be able to order a cutback in production soon to conserve funds that will be needed more desperately next spring and to eliminate production and release of flies that are not absolutely necessary at this time.

The elusive screwworm fly could have some plans of its own, however, that would throw a "monkey-wrench" into the eradication plans and hopes. If isolated outbreaks continue to pop up in Texas, indicating either that the flies are able to withstand winter

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temperatures or that there is a leak in the barrier zone, campaign workers may not be able to withdraw their forces from the U.S. side and consequently could not go as deep into Mexico as they had planned. The result of that would be that native flies would be permitted to remain unmolested in closer proximity to the United States and the chances of the Southwest experiencing a screwworm infestation in 1965 would be increased.

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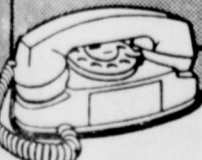
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Millions of Americans will need to pray that prayer on December 26. If ever there is a season being desecrated by great masses of our population, it is the season which the Christian Church has set

aside to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Will yours be a Christmas with Christ in it? Throughout the length and breadth of our country the invitation is being sounded, "Come hither, ye faithful, triumphantly sing!" . . . "O come, let us adore Him!"

Will this Christmas find you kneeling in humble faith at the manger of Christ? Or will you be one of those who will have to pray ". . . and forgive us our Christmases?"

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