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Announce SCF Clothing Drive Goal For Needy Children

Rankin schools will take part in the state-wide Save-the-Children "Bundle Week" drive to collect used clothing for needy children, it was announced today by Superintendent of Schools J. Alderdice. The drive, which is part of the Twelfth Annual Children's Clothing Crusade, will place here on March 22nd and will last for five days. Three million pounds of wearables have been set as goal. Last year in the Eleventh National Children's Clothing Crusade, over four million items of clothing, approximately one million garments, were collected. Superintendent Alderdice said, "I am sure the citizens of Rankin will lend a helping hand. The drive provides a practical effective means of clothing for the youth in our schools to what they have with those fortunate. Participation in the National Children's Clothing Drive will help foster a sense of brotherhood and lay a firm foundation for international friendship." Clothing collected by the Federation is used to aid needy children and families in Korea, in the Middle East, and in rural areas of the United States. More than nine million Korean women and children are refugees in their own country. In response to their pleas, the Save the Children drive continues to send

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR COMPANY'S NEW TYPE PICKUP

The new 1954 International "Hundred" pickup is now on display at Hogan Motor Company. It is a completely new model International truck which is designed to meet the present requirements of such vehicles priced in the lower bracket. "We are very pleased with this truck and feel that it will give our customers satisfaction. A good piece of equipment to invite the public to come look it over," stated Ted Hogan of Hogan Motor Company.

LANGDON SEEKS ELECTIVE TERM

C. Langdon, District of the 112th Judicial District, announced his candidacy for his first elective office. Judge Langdon is recently appointed by Governor Shivers to fill the unexpired term of Judge Garland of Fort Stockton who died.

FORGET ALL BOYS, GIRLS

Don't forget that this is Bundle Week. Somewhere a poor boy or girl needs that sweater, that pair of shoes, or the underwear you've outgrown. Remember this is Save the Children Week. Take a bundle of clothes to school today.

—SO TO SPEAK

Rankin now has at least one street marker up. Whether Alderdice and R. L. Wall put their marker in a flash or they do it in a slow motion is being the first to get

and Mrs. G. R. Jackson of Abilene are visiting A. F. Eades.

CAREERS IN GIRL SCOUTING



NEW AND FAST-GROWING CAREER FIELD—professional work in Girl Scouting—is attracting women like Donna Henderson (left), of Fort Dodge, Iowa, who is working for the Yonkers, New York, Girl Scout Council as district director. She is one of 1500 professional workers holding full-time, paid executive positions with Girl Scout councils. In her variety-filled job she plans with volunteers in carrying out the Scout program for girls in her community, trains troop leaders and consultants, coordinates summer camp activities, and cooperates with other professional people for the welfare of youth. According to the National Girl Scout Organization, there are more than 200 jobs like hers now open in all parts of the country. A recruiting drive is underway to acquaint women with the many opportunities, satisfactions, and benefits of joining the Girl Scouts in an executive capacity. For further information write to Girl Scout National Headquarters, Dept. G, in New York City.

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West Texas Utilities Sponsoring Cooking School Here March 22

All housewives in Rankin and the surrounding area are invited to be guests of the West Texas Utilities Company at an all electric cooking school to be conducted here next Monday, March 22nd.

The demonstration, which will present the most recent and modern developments of cooking, will be held at the old high school gymnasium at 2 p.m. Mr. Fred Welling, West Texas Utilities Company's local manager, in announcing the school, said, "As a result of numerous requests to repeat the cooking school, which we presented last year, this school was planned."

Lions Meeting Draws Large Attendance

The Rankin Lions Club met in regular meeting last Monday night at 7:30 with another large group in attendance. Forty-two members and one guest, E. A. Page, local minister of the North side Church of Christ, were on hand to hear the various reports of club activities and plans.

Sandra Biere, Ruth Patterson, Sandra Kennedy, Andrea Mitchell and Kianne Dorsey, special guests of the club as part of the entertainment, rendered a number of fine musical selections and songs for the gathering. They were well received by the club and were extended an invitation to bring a return performance at a later date.

The committee in charge of getting the street markers located, reported that the sites were being surveyed and that some signs should be up in the near future. The club also voted to recognize the boys' and girls' basketball teams with a special program and presentation of basketballs as soon as arrangements could be made.

KNOW YOUR LIONS

This week, after a spik of a couple of months, the News will begin to carry a brief personal history of the Lions Club members. This week we have a sketch of Rankin's local doctor, James D. Gossett.

Gossett was born and reared in Post, Texas. Finishing his high schooling there, he began his medical studies and progressed through the various medical schools of the state. Married to the former Corinne Boyd of Galveston, Dr. and Mrs. Gossett live in Rankin.

Rankin Improvement Bond Election Set For April 6

An election for the possibility of voting a \$35,000 tax bond has been called for April 6 by the Rankin Board of Commissioners.

There will be three propositions which voters will be able to decide upon. Proposition No. 1 calls for procurement of land and construction of a tile building to house the City Hall and Fire Station.

Proposition No. 2 is for \$5,000 for water works improvements and extension. This money would be used to install water lines and fire plugs along the highway as designated by the state fire inspector.

Proposition No. 3 is for \$18,000 for widening of Highway 67 from city limits to city limits. This money would be used primarily for the construction of curb and gutter and purchasing of right-of-way. The Texas Highway Department is ready to carry

ry the big end of the expense in the form of the actual paving and widening work, as well as cutting down of the hill over which the highway passes south of the Rankin Park Building. When completed, this would give Rankin a four lane highway through town.

It was explained by the Board of Commissioners that the issuance of these bonds would not mean a boost in taxes. They can easily be paid for from present taxes collected by the City of Rankin. It was further pointed out that the amount of these bonds is only an estimate and it is felt that the work can be completed for less than the called for \$35,000.

Only qualified property owners within the City of Rankin will be able to vote in this election which will be held in connection with the schedule city election at the City Hall on April 6.

Further information on this bond election appears in a legal notice in other parts of this week's Rankin News.

4-H CLUB BAR-B-CUE SET FOR MARCH 26 DATE

The Upton County 4-H Club will have their annual bar-b-que Friday, March 26, at the old high school gym at 7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to join the club in this get-together with special invitations to be issued to all ranchers and to those who had a hand in sponsoring the various activities of this year's club.

At this bar-b-que a special presentation of achievement awards will be made to the boys and girls who have earned outstanding recognition for their year's work.

W. M. "Dub" Day, Upton County Agent, stressed that everyone is invited and encouraged to come out and be the guests of the club on this occasion.

L. L. Martin, former superintendent of schools at Crane will be the main speaker for the get-together.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. O. C. Scarborough, medical, admitted 3rd, dismissed 4th. Mrs. M. E. Browley, medical, admitted 4th, dismissed 10th.

Mrs. T. G. Schultz and baby son, Brian Douglas, weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. Born the 5th at 7:16 a.m. Both dismissed the 8th.

Mrs. C. L. Chandlee, surgery, admitted on 8th, dismissed 11th. Mr. J. C. Goolesy, medical, admitted on 9th, dismissed 15th.

Antonia Carrinzo, 4 year son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carrinzo, injured when ran over by automobile, admitted on 10th, dismissed 15th.

Wanda and William Moelling, children of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Moelling, tonsillectomy, admitted on 11th, dismissed 12th.

Mr. J. W. Watkins, employee of Texas Natural, was seriously burned by steam and hot water at 8:00 a.m. on the 12th. Still confined. He suffered second and third degree burns over 90 % of body.

Mr. C. R. Hogue, McCamey, medical, admitted on 12th, died at 1:40 a.m. on 13th.

J. C. Hutchens, Texas Natural employee, injured on 15th, on right arm, X-Ray and emergency treatment, and dismissed.

John C. Burroughs, Texas Natural employee, burns on right leg and foot in same accident as J. E. Watkins, treated and dismissed.

S. H. Boyd of San Angelo, father of Mrs. W. O. Adams, also visited his daughter and family over the week-end.

Misses Viola and Maureen Nixon were week-end visitors in Ozona.

NO HOME GROWN JAVA LIKELY FOR TEXANS

Although Texans produce a little of everything, their chances for helping solve the present coffee squeeze are remote.

According to Dr. R. G. Reeves of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the coffee tree just doesn't adapt itself to the climatic conditions of Texas. Despite the fact that some 40 species and many more varieties of coffee are known, he adds, none will withstand winter weather. Moreover, coffee trees do not tolerate a very hot climate.

In Central America where Dr. Reeves carried on experimental work with the trees, the crop thrives at altitudes of from 2,000 to 4,500 feet where there is no frost nor prolonged intense heat. The best crops are produced there on deep, volcanic soil with abundant moisture and good drainage.

Sometime in the distant future, he adds, types of coffee may be developed which might be suited to South Texas conditions but great changes in the environmental requirements of existing varieties would be made. A long-range research program would be required with chances for success slim. Trees are from three to four years old when they begin to bear and a normal crop is not produced until the age of seven to ten years is reached.

Dr. Reeves can't give much encouragement to the establishment of a coffee producing industry in Texas.

It is estimated that if coffee were grown in the United States it would cost \$6.00 per pound.

MRS. HURST CELEBRATES HER 72ND BIRTHDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hurst had as their guests Sunday the following: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Green from Tennyson, Texas, William Jessie Green of Tennyson, and Mrs. R. C. Schlagal and Mr. of Rankin, Mrs. John G. Schlagal of Rankin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Snell and Oliva and Dora, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Hurst and Lonnie, Mrs. Iona and Jackie Rodgers of Iraan, Mr. Lew Williams of Iraan, Judie Rice of Iraan, Mrs. Mary Pierce, Miss Mattie McDonald, Mrs. Edna Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Sikes and baby son. Being Mrs. Hurst's birthday, she received many lovely cards and gifts and cherishes them very much.

Lunch and dinner was brought in by her granddaughters and daughters-in-law, Iona Rodgers, Martha Snell, Dorothy Hurst and Betty Green. Her daughter, Dorella Schlagal, brought a huge cake with 72 candles.

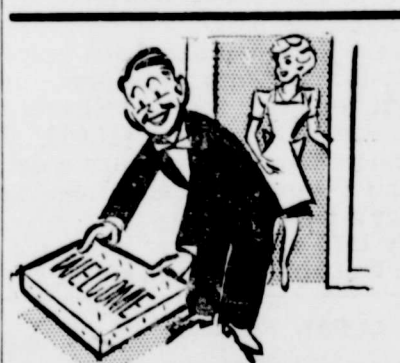
Everyone had a wonderful time, even Uncle Bud Hurst, who has been ill for sometime. Mrs. Hurst says "she hopes to have 100 more just as happy." There were 16 for lunch and 20 for dinner.

NEWS ADDS TEXON REPORTER TO STAFF

The Rankin News has worked out an arrangement with Mrs. Leon Kessler of Texon to report the local news from that area.

Mrs. Kessler was to start her reporting this week but her son became ill with tonsillitis and is confined to the hospital in Big Lake. Leon Kessler is minister of the Church of Christ in Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes and her mother, Mrs. Dave Gentry, went to visit their son in San Antonio this week.



To Rankin - - -

This week we extend a welcome to three new families to Rankin. J. M. Neely, T. H. Blue and John H. Kidd. Mr. and Mrs. Blue are former residents of Rankin and are well known here. Mr. Kidd had formerly lived at one of the oil camps and has been in the area for some time. Let's all make them feel at home.

Coach Jones and the Rankin High School girls' basketball team attended the state playoffs in Austin last week. Balmorhea, who defeated Rankin for regional, was defeated in the first game by a margin of some 40 points.

on Elizabeth Street, just south of the Rankin Hospital. They have two children, Bryan, four, and Kitty Sue, 2. They have lived in Rankin for 2 years, coming here from May, Texas, where Dr. Gossett had a hospital.

He is a member of the welfare committee of the Lions Club and has been a member of the club since its organization in Rankin.

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PROGRAM FOR DISTRICT CLUB WOMEN'S MEET ANNOUNCED HERE

Program for the eighth district convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs was announced today by Mrs. J. S. Hendricks of Acala, district president.

The convention is scheduled March 17, 18 and 19 in Fort Stockton, with the First Baptist Church as headquarters.

Hostess clubs are Fort Stockton Literary, 1928 Study Club and Magno Usul.

The program opens March 17 with registration at the church. There will be an executive committee luncheon at noon and an executive board meeting at 2 p.m. Registration closes at 3 p.m. A district board meeting is scheduled at 3 p.m., at the church. Division chairmen and committees will give three-minute reports.

At 6 p.m., a dinner honoring club presidents will be held. There will be a guest speaker, to be announced later.

March 18 schedule begins at 8:30 a.m., with an exhibit of yearbooks, pressbooks and art. Coffee will be served. At 9 a.m., the convention will open, with club presidents' three-minute reports. Mrs. L. E. Dudley of Abilene, state president, is to speak at 11 a.m. Luncheon and style show, with door prizes, is scheduled at noon. The convention resumes at 2 p.m. At 4 p.m. a memorial service will be held. Clubs are asked to send names of deceased members to Mrs. L. C. Britte of Marfa. The awards dinner honoring junior clubs will be at 6:30 p.m.

Final day of the convention begins at 8:30 a.m., with Mrs. Hendricks as speaker at a round-up breakfast. The convention closes after breakfast. Executive meeting at 11 a.m., and executive luncheon at noon end activities.

Salt content of the Great Salt Lake is high because there is no outlet. The lake loses water only through evaporation, leaving only salt.



OIL IN YOUR LIFE

How many oil products do you use in the course of your daily living?

It is safe to say that very few people could give anything resembling an adequate answer to that deceptively simple question. Most would list gasoline, lubricants, perhaps furnace oil, and a few other such obvious products and then stop. But the fact is that many hundreds of articles which are universally consumed stem in one way or another from oil.

Plastics, for instance, contain petroleum derivatives—and the plastic category includes a huge array of items ranging from shower curtains to dishes and toys. Oil is the source of all manner of cleaners, waxes, soaps and paints. It is one of the raw materials that goes into the manufacture of lotions, beauty creams, lipsticks and other cosmetics. It is found in the family medicine cabinet, in the form of synthetic drugs, vitamin pills and various medicines. In a manner of speaking, you even "wear oil"—for, chemically transformed, it is an important element in the production of some of the most popular present-day fabrics, including nylons. You "read oil," too—printing inks are made from it.

This list could be continued almost indefinitely. It was not long ago as time is measured that only a handful of oil products existed, and the principal ones were grease and kerosene. Oil has literally transformed the lives of all of us.

"Federal aid . . . encourages the expectation of paternal care on the part of the Government and weakens the sturdiness of our national character."—President Grover Cleveland, 1887.

THE FARMER FEEDS MORE PEOPLE

In 1910 the average American farm consisted of 138 acres and each farmer produced enough food for eight people.

Today the average acreage has increased to 215—and each farmer feeds 15 people. And we have better and far more varied foods than in the earlier era?

This is spectacular progress. It is the result, naturally, of a number of factors—improved seeds, effective pest control, better land practices, use of machinery and more efficient distribution and processing methods. Of all the factors, none is more important than farm machinery, starting with the tractor and going through the long list of other machines and attachments that make it possible for the farmer to produce more, to conserve and improve his land, and to do his work with a great deal less labor and physical effort than was the case in the past.

Machinery has also been responsible, in large part, for turning farming into a business. It is estimated that a typical corn-belt grain farmer utilizing 160 acres has a machinery investment of more than \$11,000. It is substantially greater if he raises livestock or milks a dairy herd. That is a large investment—but the return from it is tremendous in the light of today's labor costs.

By 1975, each farmer will have to feed 20 people—which means that still more and better machinery will be needed.

LEGAL NOTICE ELECTION ORDER

Be it ordained by the board of Trustees of the Rankin Independent School District that an election will be held at the High School Building, in the town of Rankin in said Rankin Independent School District on the 3 day of April, 1954, for the purpose of electing one (1) school Trustee for a term of 2 years and Three (3) school trustees for a period of three years for said Rankin Independent School District.

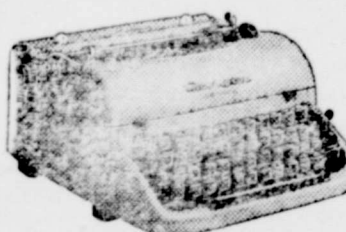
Said election to be held in accordance with the General Laws of Texas. The return of said election to be made to the Board of Trustees of said district in accordance with the general election laws of Texas.

In testimony whereof, witness the signature of the President and Secretary of said Rankin Independent District and the seal hereunto affixed, this first day of March 1954.

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DOVE BANDING NEARS FINISH

AUSTIN — The Executive Secretary of the Texas Game and Fish Commission said the banding of mourning doves in Texas will end this year.

The program was inaugurated by the Commission five years ago and since then has been combined with that of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

The movement began with a few thousand birds being banded. Last year almost five thousand doves were banded.

Game wardens and wildlife biologists have been the key personnel in the undertaking. They usually work with local groups, especially youngsters.

One warden, Charley Edmondson, organized a special force of boys to help band doves in his area centering around Cuero. They were called Junior Game Wardens.

Several other wardens distinguished themselves by their own personal efforts and by their re-educating program designed to interest youngsters and adults in

this phase of wildlife study.

Doves have been banded in almost every Texas county. They have been banded in bushes and in trees and in assorted places. Down on the coast, wardens working out of Beaumont even found some doves nesting in old piling over the water and banded the young ones.

The Executive Secretary said the studies will provide the basis for charting time of nesting periods; the peak nesting time; ratio of nesting successes; the migration pattern and the effect of weather on mourning doves generally. He said the material will be considered in setting open seasons and bag limits.

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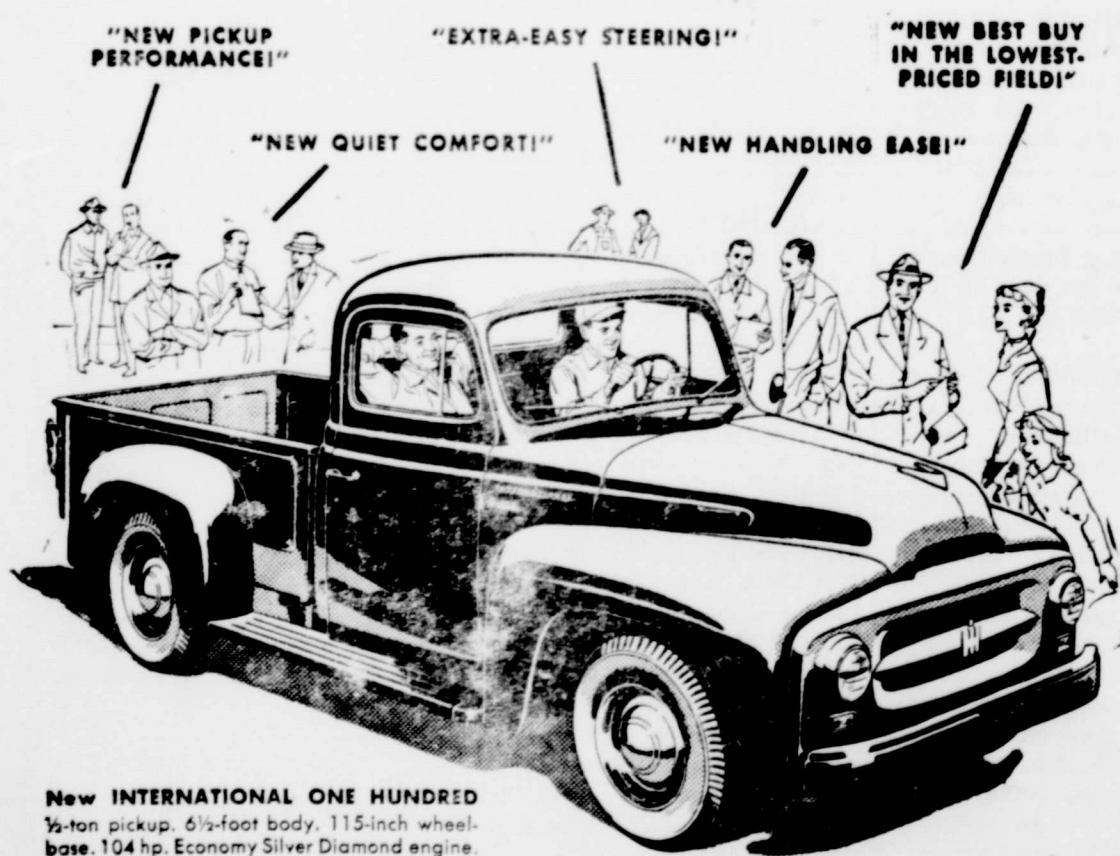
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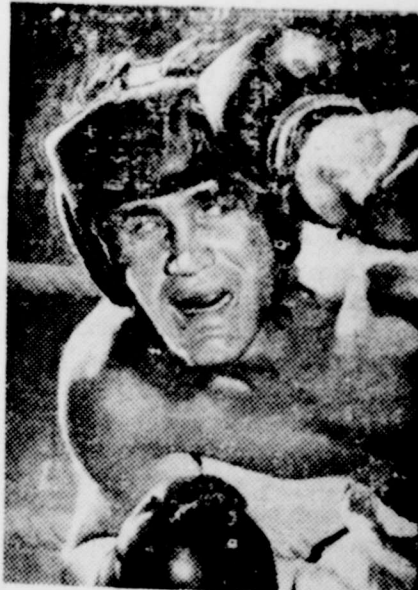
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BETA SIGMA PHI CHAPTER FORMED IN RANKIN

Thursday evening, March 18, the Beta Sigma Phi Cultured and Sorority was installed at the lovely home of Mrs. Walton as the chapter director. The lighted ritual was conducted by Mrs. Olive Towne Murphy of the International office in Kansas City, Mo. The party formal and the pale yellow of the flower of the sorority, the colors black and gold

were used in appointment. Refreshments were served following the candle lighted ritual and Mrs. Ralph Daugherty, social sponsor for the chapter, did the honor of pouring. Beta Sigma Phi is sponsored internationally by a long list of famous and outstanding women who think the cultured plan comparable to none other in its continuity for a lifetime of study. There are over one hundred thousand members in this organization with chapters in

England, Scotland, Germany, Greece, Tokyo, Guam, Alaska and many chapters in Canada and the United States. Much activity has been shown for the past years in Odessa, Midland, El Paso and San Angelo in Beta Sigma Phi, where each city has several chapters. The addition of Omicron Tau Chapter at Rankin completes this area of the sorority activities with groups newly formed in Ft. Stockton, McCamey, Iraan and Crane. Membership is transferable and by invitation. New members are pledged by sponsored bids and pledge training program.

Mrs. Murphy appointed the following officers to serve for a 15 month period:

Mrs. Naomi Hogan, president; Mrs. Virginia Ivy, vice-president; Mrs. Bettie Elrod, recording secretary; Mrs. Jackie Pollard, treasurer; Mrs. Alma Adams, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Velma Lane, extension officer, and her committee, Mrs. Edna Mae Patton and Miss Lee Silver, whose duties are to form the teen age group in Rankin called Nu Phi Mu.

This is the first degree of Beta Sigma Phi members going from the teen age through Ritual of Jewels and Exemplar degrees. With the aid of the director,

Mrs. Poage, and sponsor, Mrs. Daugherty, this teen age chapter hopes to install in Rankin this year. This program is of poise charm, social, hobbies, service and friendship between the ages of 15 and 21. Other officers appointed were program year-book chairman, Mrs. Margaret Cochran, and committee Reva Ringham and Betty DeForrest, library; historian, Mrs. Mae Price; word study, Mrs. Sara Lee Vardy; publicity, Mrs. Christine Day, committee Miss Lois Shackelford and Sylvia Merriman; ways and means co-chairman, Mrs. Janie Barbee and Mrs. Lella Scarborough, committee, Patsy Taylor and Jackie Pollard; music study and development, Mrs. June Prentice. The program committee will serve in the librarian capacity throughout the year.

The chapter has as their meeting night the first and third Thursday of each month at 8:00 o'clock. Mrs. Walton Poage, the director, graciously invited them to meet with her for their first meeting on April 1st.

Mrs. Murphy left Friday morning for Big Lake to install a chapter there next week, adding to the 400 chapters in Texas, before she returns to her home in Bath, Maine, for the summer.

STUDY CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS AT MEETING

The Rankin Study Club met Thursday afternoon, March 4, in the Park Building.

Mrs. Walton Herral was elected president for the year 1954-55. Other officers elected were: Mrs. C. G. Taylor, first vice-president; Mrs. A. B. McGill, second vice-president; Mrs. J. L. Alderdice, third vice-president; Mrs. W. A. Hudson, recording secretary; Mrs. Tom Mitchell, corresponding secretary; Mrs. R. O. White, parliamentary; Mrs. E. C. Higday, historian; Mrs. Jack Smith, critic; Mrs. Jack Skiles, reporter and Mrs. Hamp Carter, federation counselor.

Mrs. Walton Herral was elected as delegate to the eighty district convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in Fort Stockton, March 17, 18 and 19.

John A. Menefee, county attorney, presented the program with a talk on "Texas."

Members of the social committee were hostesses for the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eckols, Mrs. Melvin McEwen and Mrs. C. A. Taylor took Pvt. Melvin McEwen and Pvt. Frankie G. Davis to El Paso last week-end.

WORKERS CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN RANKIN

The March Workers Conference met at the East Side Baptist Church at McCamey last Thursday afternoon and night with good attendance.

President Mrs. Sam Holmes of the WMS of Rankin was awarded the beautiful pin for having the largest percent of their members present. Those attending from Rankin were: Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Shannon, Mrs. Sam Holmes, Mrs. B. A. Patterson, Mrs. Jap Edwards, Mrs. Zack Monroe, Mrs. R. C. Schlagal, Mrs. H. Wheeler and Mrs. Roxie Hutchens.

The meeting will be held in Rankin next month.

Mrs. R. C. Schlagal went to Crowell, Texas, to see Mr. Schlagal's parents there.

LOCAL ARMY MAN IS ASSIGNED NEW STATION

Mrs. Melvin McEwen has just received word that her husband, Pvt. Melvin McEwen, who is now stationed at Fort Eustis, Virginia, is taking training in Marine Hull Repair School. This is repairing the hulls of boats on Army wood and steel sea craft. The school is a 12-week course.

Pvt. McEwen left El Paso last Saturday and flew on the American Airlines to New Port News, Virginia, via Washington, D.C., about which he said, "We saw the capitol from the air and it is worth two years in the Army just to see that. It was all lit up and was beautiful to see."

Mrs. McEwen hopes to join her husband in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shaw were Rankin visitors.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF UPTON,
CITY OF RANKIN.
TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID CITY AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:
TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the City of Rankin, Texas, on the 6th day

of April, 1954, on the propositions and at the place more particularly set forth in the election order adopted by the Board of Commissioners on the 16th day of March, 1954, which is as follows:

RESOLUTION
BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS, CALLING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF \$150,000 CITY HALL AND FIRE STATION BONDS, ON

THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 WATERWORKS IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION BONDS AND ON THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF \$150,000 STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Rankin, Texas, deems it advisable to issue the bonds of said City for the purpose hereinafter mentioned:

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS:

1. That an election be held in the City of Rankin, Texas, on the 6th day of April, 1954, at which election the following propositions shall be submitted:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

"Shall the Board of Commissioners of the City of Rankin, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of said City in the amount of \$150,000, maturing serially in such installments as may be fixed by the Board of Commissioners, the maximum maturity being not more than fifteen (15) years from their date, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed five (5%) per cent per annum, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay interest as it accrues and principal as it matures on said issue of bonds, for the purpose of constructing a City Hall and Fire Station, as authorized by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas?"

PROPOSITION NO. 2

"Shall the Board of Commissioners of the City of Rankin, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of said City in the amount of \$500,000, maturing serially in such installments as may be fixed by the Board of Commissioners, the maximum maturity being not more than fifteen (15) years from their date, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed five (5%) per cent per annum,

and to levy a tax sufficient to pay interest as it accrues and principal as it matures on said issue of bonds, for the purpose of improving and extending the City's waterworks system, as authorized by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas?"

PROPOSITION NO. 3

"Shall the Board of Commissioners of the City of Rankin, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of said City in the amount of \$150,000, maturing serially in such installments as may be fixed by the Board of Commissioners, the maximum maturity being not more than fifteen (15) years from their date, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed five (5%) per cent per annum, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay interest as it accrues and principal as it matures on said issue of bonds, for the purpose of improving streets of the City as authorized by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas?"

2. That said election shall be held at the City Hall, within said City, and the following named persons are hereby appointed directors of said election, to-wit:

H. Wheeler, Presiding Judge,
Mrs. Gordon Steele, Judge,
Mrs. H. Wheeler, Clerk,
Mrs. Jack Smith, Clerk.

3. That said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 21 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended, including the provisions of Article 704, as amended by Chapter 382, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-Fourth Legislature, and only legally qualified electors who own taxable property in the City and who have duly rendered the same for taxation shall be qualified to vote.

4. The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CITY HALL AND FIRE STATION BONDS"

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF CITY HALL AND FIRE STATION BONDS"

PROPOSITION NO. 2

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF WATERWORKS IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION BONDS"

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF WATERWORKS IMPROVEMENT AND EXTENSION BONDS"

PROPOSITION NO. 3

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS"

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS"

Concerning said propositions, each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote on the proposition.

5. A substantial copy of this resolution signed by the Mayor of said City and attested by the City Clerk shall serve as proper notice of said election. Notice shall be given in accordance with Article 704, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by Chapter 382, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-Fourth Legislature, supra. The Mayor is authorized and directed to have a copy of said notice posted at the City Hall and at two other public places within said City not less than fifteen days prior to the date fixed for holding said election. He shall also cause said notice to be published on the same day in each of two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published within said City, the date of the first publication to be not less than fourteen days prior to the date set for said election. Except as otherwise provided in said Article 704, as amended, the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws governing general elections.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 16th day of March, 1954.

A. E. Ivy,
Mayor, City of Rankin, Texas

ATTEST:

Omar Warren,
City Clerk, City of Rankin, Texas

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MARCH 19 AND 20
"RIOT IN CELL BLOCK 11"
— PLUS SECOND FEATURE —
"SWANA DEVIL"
WITH
ROBERT STACK — BARBARA BRITTON

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"INFERNO"
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THE BIBLE STUDY CIRCLE OF WSCS HAS MEETING

Regular meeting was held at the Methodist Church last week for the Bible Study Circle of the WSCS.

The meeting, conducted by Mrs. J. L. Clark, was opened with silent prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Mrs. Clark presented 1st Samuel, chapters 18 through 31. Chapters from 11 Samuel were presented by Mrs. Fred Prentice and Mrs. Don Cochran. Those present were Mrs. Ann Phillips, Mrs. Herbert Hurn, Mrs. Carl Engel, Mrs. J. L. Clark, Mrs. Fred Prentice, Mrs. Don Cochran, and Mrs. Bill Nix.

Next meeting will be held on March 14th.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 5 WILL CONTINUE BADGE WORK

Girl Scout Troop No. 5 received their numbers, paintings, arts and craft. Hostess Cook out and Troop crest, which is a bluebonnet. The group will continue work on their badges.

Those present at the Monday meeting were Mrs. Pettit, leader; Mrs. Howard, assistant leader; Charlene West, Nina Gayle Pettit, Frances Nixon, Rebecca Holt, Marcella Williams, Nancy Carol Howard and Mary Evelyn Gayle.

SCOUT TROOP STAGES REGULAR MONDAY MEET

The Intermediate Troop No. 2 had their regular meeting last Monday afternoon, March 15, at 4:00 p.m.

Certain steps and ways of knot tying were reviewed. These being the things they are required to know in order to complete the eighth field in the Second Class rank.

Two new games entitled "Salute Relay" and "Girl Scout Handshake" were played by the group.

To those who plan to attend Mittie Peak this summer, it was reminded that reservations should be sent in early, if possible.

Sammye Steele served refreshments to six members and their leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery have their granddaughter, Kathy, with them now.

Mrs. J. W. Langford visited her daughter, Mrs. Arden McDaniel in Abilene last week-end.

RANKIN STUDENTS ARE REGISTERED FOR SPRING

SAN MARCOS, March 17.—Norman Vocham of Rankin and James Wallace Gary, Jr., now living in San Marcos, are among the 334 new students who registered for the spring semester at Southwest Texas State Teachers College.

Present enrollment at the college is 1,571.

Mrs. June Ward, who recently moved to El Paso where her husband was stationed, has now moved to Nobel, Oklahoma, where her parents reside. Her husband, Pvt. Elbert E. Eckols, is now stationed in Camp Kilmer, New Jersey.

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TEEN UNMARKED GRAVES

by Journalism Class of Crane High School

Age by-passed and side-by-side civilization lies one of historic spots in the southwest—Horsehead Crossing. Pecos, a lonesome site or twelve miles southwest of Crane.

Pecos, was the only safe and sane ford on that bitter stream for forty miles up or down. And "the best crossing within 400 miles" according to the famous frontiersman, Charles Goodnight.

Less than a hundred years ago Horsehead was the bridge, so to speak, to the future of all races on the western frontier—red, white, brown, and black. For the red Comanche it was the key to rich plunder, fair horseflesh and fairer captives out of Northern Mexico.

For white, it was the Golden Gate so to speak, to the gold fields of California via the Butterfield Mail and Stage line to San Francisco. For still other whites, the majority, perhaps, it was "the Pearly Gates," what with Comanches being WHAT and WHERE they were. Then of course, there was the white outlaw to whom Horsehead was the gateway to freedom West of the Pecos.

As to brown (Old Mexico and El Paso Mexicans) it was "the salt of the earth", as molasses-slow ox-carts by the hundreds squealed up

and down its cramped banks, to and from Juan Cordona Salt Lake in present Crane County, hauling home seasoning for frijoles, jerky and other Mexican dishes. For black, the post Civil War Negro Calvalrymen, it was the "trap door to hell", and (worse still) to the Apache "hold-outs" in the Davis Mountains.

GRAVE YARD PERIOD

"A grave yard of three cowman's hopes," Charles Goodnight called it, what with having left some 120 head of his first trail herd caught in the river's quicksands or trapped between its vertical banks. Not only a graveyard to the cowman's hopes, but also the graveyard of thirteen COWMEN. "All the results of pistol shots but one," revealed Goodnight to J. Evetts Haley, the noted western historian. Ironically, said pistol shots were not from snaky Comanches but from cowboys themselves, made ringy, over-bearing, and over-wrought by the 90-mile dry drive from the Middle Concho. Two more lonesome caliche mounds on the baldies east of Castle Gap bespoke of preliminary fireworks between the "short-tempered" ones.

Goodnight, a rock-hard, seasoned plainsman, never lost a single man from these "fallings-out". By hiring the best wagon cook, wages could pay to stretch their stomachs, and a propped-up wagon tongue and a length of stake rope to stretch their necks if they started a ruckus, he usually turned loose in New Mexico or Colorado with all the men he started with. That is, God (and the heathen Comanches) willing.

Alive with Comanches, who were more prone fortunately, to thievery than to downright murder, Horsehead Crossing bore silent witness to many a bizarre scene. For example, 15 or 20 horsemen, starchy and prim from the sad-

die up but naked and greasy from the saddle down, filling majestically down to water—Comanches in white linen shirts pilfered from the wagon of a California bound merchant named Whitehead. (Captain Jack Cureton was also witness to the scene—but not so silent. Neither were his guns.)

Or more bizarre still, old "Honey Allen" cussing his bull team up yander bank while his bees swarmed with angry impatience in and out of the bee gums, honing to be to heck and gone from a flowerless, grassless, treeless land, and on up into New Mexico—where a bee could make himself an honest living.

Or foolish, fearless old Rich Coffee with his four-up load of Concho watermelons bushed in a measly mesquite motte awaiting the Mexican salt cart trade from El Paso.

Or, on the serious side, a Mrs. Hoy, four little Hoy children, three wounded cowboys, plus Mr. Hoy and the rest of the trail crew holed up in the remains of the old Butterfield Stage Stand, standing off Comanches whose friends had made off with the entire trail herd.

Or a swarm of naked Comanches (perhaps our formerly-formal friends after their linen shirts had gone to the laundry) taking over the herd of one Jim Burleson.

Or, perhaps its hoof-and-wheel-scarred face rippled in silent glee at the fool-hardiness of a South-Texas trail driver, the first Anglo-American ever to haze a trail herd across, feller with the appropriate handle of PERIL (William A.) This was in the year of our Lord (Who seemed a fur piece away, no doubt) 1864.

Or brooding, most likely, at the rash and dash of another Texan with an equally fitting moniker (one GAMEL, with the Christian name of John.) Gamel was the second to run the gamut of danger, not to mention the peril experienced by PERIL (William A.) And, of course, the now-familiar faces of Charley Goodnight, Olive Loving and the fighting, faunching Ane-Arm Bill Wilson, not to mention the thousands of wide-horned, pop-eyed cattle that partook of its belly-corroding waters and scarred up its banks.

Although the trap door to hell for colored cavalymen, made sick unto death by its briny waters, Horsehead Crossing was, in later years, the Gates of Paradise to two well-known horse thieves (they thought—and they proved 100 per cent right.) A Sergeant Streiker and Texas Ranger partner choused them to these Gates of Paradise, and with unerring marksmanship, shoved them on through.

LOST LANDMARK

Perhaps the last men of violence to seek liberty (and avoid justice) west of the Pecos were two Mexican horse thieves. They stole some horses from the late Sam Murray (of Sheffield, Texas) and his partner over on Centralia Draw, and lit a shuck for Horsehead, Sam and in hot pursuit. But Sam and partner, over-eager and under-cautious, were bushwacked at Castle Gap and the partner was killed. Sam skinned out for Midland, picked up the 21-year-old sheriff, Dave Allison, a small posse, and apprehended the thieves. The story goes that one of the thieves was hanged on a then-new-fangled contraption—a windmill tower, at Pecos, Texas.

The actual basis for the naming of Horsehead Crossing lies in the dim recesses of un-recorded history. Frank Dobie places the naming of it clear back to Spanish Conquistadores' day, but the most likely version is that John R. Bartlett named it in 1850 when he was surveying the Mexican boundary. He found the crossing marked by the skulls of horses. John S. (Rip) Ford camped there a year earlier (1949) while scouting out a fast forty-niner route from San Antonio to El Paso and points west.

"The Handbook of Texas" points out that old Rip's eye caught the skeletons of horses and mules cluttering both sides of the river. These remains, it is believed, were a crop of animals the Comanches harvested in Old Mexico by the light of the Comanche moon. Since the nearest watering toward Chihuahua was 60 miles to the southwest (Comanche Springs), the ride to the Pecos half killed them, with the acrid Pecos water, doubtless, taking care of the other half.

The T&P Railroad in 1881 delivered a crippling blow to the famous crossing, then around the turn of the century along came an upstart by the name of San Angelo and finished knocking Horsehead in the head, so to speak. In clamoring for the present title of "inland wool market of the world" it bridged the Pecos at the present sleepy town of Girvin. Thereafter, only isolated ranchers used the ford for a couple more decades

and finally abandoned it entirely.

Cliff Newland, Y Ranch wind-miller, recalls having crossed it occasionally back in 1907 through 1910. M. G. Damron, present owner of the Crane County side of the historic old ford, tells of fording it with his bride, back in the horse and buggy days. Jerry Cowden, whose ranch home is some five or six miles away, by road, relates that his father, Gene Cowden, often used the crossing in shipping cottonseed cake out of Girvin. And to the best of Jerry's knowledge, his dad used the crossing from 1914 on up until around 1927.

But today, what with erosion and shifting scenery, neither Cliff Newland, M. G. Damron nor Jerry Cowden is able to ascertain the exact location of the famous crossing. The last attempt Jerry Cowden made to cross what he believed to be the site, his saddle horse bogged down. Mr. Damron's last living bridge to Horeshead's lusty past was through an old Swede blacksmith who used to shoe teams at the old stage stand. So, somewhere beneath the alkaline, sluggish scum of water in an unmarked grave, rests Horsehead Crossing, long-forgotten link to the violent, bloody frontier.



It's that time of the year when one learns that it is better to give than to receive—because it is deductible.

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PROGRAM COVERS FAMILY PLANNING AND SPENDING

"Family Planning and Spending" was the program of the Rankin Home Demonstration Club at their meeting Thursday, March 11, at the Park Building at 2:30 o'clock.

Miss Holman stated that in view of the fact that 85 to 95 per cent of income is handled by women that it was well to study family planning and spending. People who know what they want seem to get most from their income.

Several methods were discussed. Each method should be tested by asking and answering these statements:

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Bulletins on frozen foods as well as family planning and spending were handed each member present.

Mrs. Janie Harbee was appointed civil defense chairman. The club will have its next meeting March 25 at the Park Building at 2:30 p.m. when they will study civil defense on a local basis and exchange ideas on Easter egg decorations.

Telephone appointment books at the Rankin News.

Appointment books at the Rankin News.

Stamp pads at the Rankin News.

LATIN AMERICANS ALONG THE MEXICAN BORDER IS TOPIC AT WSCS PROGRAM

WSCS met Monday, March 15, at 2:30 p.m. at the church, using "Latin Americans Along the Border" for the topic of their program.

Latin Americans or Spanish speaking, numbering between two and a half and three million, are the third largest minority in our country. There are Latin Americans in every state of the Union but most of them live in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

Some of their problems are lack of educational opportunities low income and poor housing.

The Methodist Church is one of the most active evangelical groups among the Spanish-speaking people. In the Rio Grande Conference the woman's division supports seven community centers, two boarding schools, eight social centers and two well equipped medical institutions. There are also institutions of this nature in every conference.

The local WSCS voted to send contributions to one of these as a result of this program.

MUSICAL RECITAL

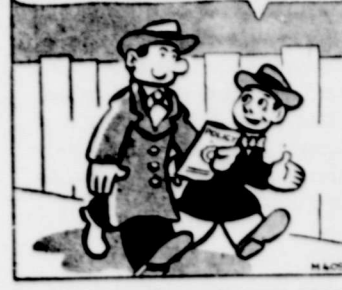
Mrs. H. W. Driscoll announces that her piano-voice students will be presented in a musical recital Tuesday evening, March 23, at 8:00 o'clock at the elementary auditorium in Rankin.

Students from McCamey, Rankin and Crane will be presented in the recital.

The public is cordially invited.

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UPTON COUNTY LIBRARY

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We have the following new books at the library:

- "The China Tangle" by Herbert Feis
"Shirtsleeve Diplomacy" by Jonathan B. Bingham
"Know Your Enemy" by Delia Mares.

"Know Your Enemy" is written by a distinguished teacher and lecturer of contemporary history and American foreign policy. It is about communism but it is short, readable and understandable. High school students and their parents should read it.

We are getting new books every few days for children, preschool as well as school. If you are just reading "any old thing" to your children, visit our library and see some of the very interesting little books we have. Books written by people who have worked with children and understand their interests. Some of them are:

- "An American ABC" by Maud & Micka Pertersham
"The Noisy Book" by Margaret Wise Brown
"Saturday Flight" by Ethel Wright
"Saturday Ride" by Richard Rose.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and heart felt gratitude for all the kind deeds, for the prayers of our friends, and for the beautiful floral offerings. May God shower each and every one with blessings for your kind words and deeds of sympathy during our sorrow on the passing of our loved one, Elmer. Mrs. Elmer Swepton, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Swepton and family Arthur and Drew McIntier

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Stucco house 21 miles north of Rankin, Ralph Pembroke, Humble Camp. Information write A. D. McClellam, Box 776, Eunice, New Mexico.

FOR SALE: 9 cu. ft. Westinghouse refrigerator, Kelvinator electric range, 16 ft. Roy-Craft trailer house. O. C. Scarborough.

FOR RENT—2 bedroom furnished house. See W. O. Adams at Post Office.

FOR SALE: ONE STACK ALL CHANNEL TV ANTENNA. \$15.00 SEE J. B. HUTCHENS AT RANKIN NEWS.

FOR SALE: 8 millimeter Bell and Howard movie camera. One rector Bell and Howard and one Bell and Howard projector screen, extra projector bulbs included. To be sold as a unit only. \$225.00 cash. Used only nine months. See Mrs. Forrest Black, Box 56, Iraan, Phone 140-J.

FOR SALE: 5 sturdy wooden chairs \$2.50 each. 2 2'x6' closet doors, \$2.95 each. Barbees. 1tc ELECTROLUX VACUUM SWEEPERS. \$69.75 Month of MARCH only! Write K. Gilbert Porter, Box 32, Crane, Texas. Telephone 3560.

FOR SALE—1 Kodak 16MM magazine load camera with F1.9 standard lens, Kodak Ektanon 15MM F2.7 Wide-Angle lens, Elgeet 3 inch F2.9 Telephoto lens, Bertram (German made) Light meter, various filters, all fitted in compact leather carrying case. Terms can be arranged. Hatfield, 226, Rankin.

bedroom heater. Been used about 2 1/2 months. Will take \$10.00. Call 260.

HAULING LEASE WORK CEMENT WORK

WE BUY JUNK METAL SHAMROCK CASING CREW OBIE B. WOODS, Phone 640 McCAMEY, TEXAS



Recent announcement that Santa Fe Railway now is completely Dieselized brought from historical files the above photos on development of Santa Fe locomotive power. Locomotive No. 1 (top), the "Col. Cyrus Holladay," a 99-ton steam engine named after founder of the road, was built in Topeka (Kan.) shops in 1881. Center, the road's first passenger Diesel (two units, 3600 horsepower) installed on the first "Super Chief" in 1936. Bottom photo, today's "Super" makes the Los Angeles run behind 6000 horsepower.

CHURCH CALANDER

First Baptist Church R. L. SHANNON, Pastor

SUNDAY 10:00 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship 6:30 P.M. Training Union 7:30 P.M. Evening Worship MONDAY 9:00 a.m. Lottie Moon Circle W.M.S. 1:30 p.m. Ruth Circle W.M.S. WEDNESDAY 7:30 p.m. - Mid-week Service

Rankin Methodist Church

DON COCHRAN, Pastor Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Youth Fellowship 7 p.m. Evening Worship 8 p.m. Choir Practice Wed 7:30 p.m.

Church Of Christ

LEON KESLER, Minister Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY Mid-week services 7:30 p.m.

Church Of Christ

ELLWOOD PAGE, Minister Bible Classes 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY Mid-week Services 7:30 p.m.

NEW COURTS DISPENSE SPEEDY, LOW COST JUSTICE

Although "justice for all" has always been an ideal of the American way of life, this goal has often been difficult of achievement in cases involving amounts of money too small to warrant the outlay of the usual and customary court costs involved in obtaining a legal judgment. However, in 1953 the Texas Legislature created a system of "Small Claims Courts" which appear to be making progress in that type of cases.

Lawsuits formerly requiring a minimum expenditure in excess of \$10 for court costs may now be tried for a total cost of only \$2, and without the formal pleading required in other courts. This latter feature results in lower attorney fees when counsel is employed, and cases can be processed without assistance from attorneys if the parties so desire.

Applying to all claims for money debts not exceeding \$50 and for wages not exceeding \$100, the new law provides that the justices of the peace shall sit as judges of the Small Claims Courts in their own precincts and counties. Hearings must be informal, "with the sole objective of dispensing speedy justice between the parties."

In these new courts, legal actions are commenced by the filing of a simple statement made under oath, describing the claim concisely and without technicality. Blank claim forms are supplied by the justice of the peace. Following filing of

Don't Be Misled By Nearness of Spring

"Spring may be just around the corner, but we've still got some slippery roadways to travel before we turn that corner!"

Col. E. B. Tilley of Houston, President of the Texas Safety Association, and Services Advisor for the Gulf Oil Corporation, who heads up the February traffic safety program which the Texas Safety Association is conducting in cooperation with the Texas Department of Public Safety, gave that reminder to drivers and walkers today.

"It's the surprise element that mayes these patches dangerous," Col. Tilley explained. "At this time of year roads are likely to be fairly clear of snow and ice. Consequently, drivers travel at a faster pace than they would if roads were coated with ice or snow. This increase in speed is enough to throw an automobile into a dangerous skid if the car suddenly hits an ice patch."

He said that pedestrians, too, are likely to relax their vigilance as snow and ice disappear from the sidewalks. Hurrying along at a pace geared to clear surfaces, a walker can suffer a painful fall if he unsuspectingly steps on an ice patch in the roadway or sidewalk.

Col. Tilley urged walkers and drivers to keep a constant lookout for these small areas of extremely slippery ice that may exist on apparently clear road surfaces. He said, "They are most likely to be found in shaded areas, on bridges or any place where normal thawing is retarded."

the sworn claim, citations are issued in the same manner as in any other case in Justice Court, and defendants are directed to appear and answer.

If a defendant fails to appear at the proper time and place on the date specified for the hearing on the claim, the judgment will enter judgment for the plaintiff for the amount proved to be due him. If the plaintiff does not appear, the judge may enter an order dismissing the case.

During the hearing, the judge listens to testimony from the plaintiff, the defendant, and from any witnesses produced by either side. He is also empowered to question any witness or party and to summon additional witnesses to the extent necessary "to effect a correct judgment and speedily dispose of such case."

Either party to a suit in Small Claims Court may arrange for trial of the case before a jury by filing a request with the judge at least one calendar day prior to the date set for the hearing. In such event the requesting party must pay a jury fee of \$3.

Nowadays if you don't have your own psychiatrist, people think you're crazy.

NOTICE:

The U. S. Army is offering year enlistments to qualified applicants the choice of enlistment for specific assignments in any of the following branches of the army.

- A. Artillery
B. Armor
C. Corps of engineers
D. Infantry
E. Army Medical Service Corps
F. Chemical Corps
G. Military Police
H. Ordnance Corps
I. Quartermaster Corps
J. Signal Corps
K. Transportation Corps
L. Adjutant General Corps
For further information contact your Army or Air Force Recruiting Sgt., Post Office Building, Odessa, Texas.

Nothing is more dangerous to a bachelor than a jealous band—or a single girl.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Charges for Announcements of cash in advance. The same policy will be in effect on all political advertising carried in the columns of this newspaper.

Names will be carried in the order in which they are received. Rates for the various classifications of Political Announcements to be charged for by this paper during the year 1954 are listed below.

Rates for Political Announcements: District & State Officers, County Offices, Commissioners, Other Precinct Officers.

One News story will be carried for State Representative 102nd District: Audie Belcher

For District Judge, 152nd Judicial District: Alvis Johnson Jim C. Langdon

For County Judge: Earl C. Bone G. H. "Bud" Fisher (Re-Election)

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor & Collector: H. B. "Gene" Eckols (Re-Election) C. H. "Cliff" Jones

For County and District Clerk: Mrs. Nancy K. Daugherty (Re-Election)

For County Attorney: John A. Manafee (Re-Election)

For County Treasurer: Mrs. Elizabeth L. Rains (Re-Election)

For Commissioner, Precinct 8: Sam Holmes (Re-Election) Preston Patten J. W. Hearon

For Commissioner, Precinct 9: T. D. "Tommy" Werlzema, Jr. (Re-Election)

For Justice of Peace, Precinct 1: Omar Warren (Re-Election) O. C. Scarborough

For Justice of Peace, Precinct 2: O. N. Justice Mrs. Murray McCain (Re-Election)

For Constable, Precinct 1: W. F. Moore (Re-Election)

For Constable, Precinct 2: S. O. (Sid) Langford (Re-Election)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION

The City of Rankin will hold election on Tuesday, April 13, 1954, for the office of mayor and one city commissioner. The City Council gives notice that they have extended the deadline for filing from the customary 30 days before election to 10 days before that date. The will be March 27, 1954.

Signed: A. R. Ivy, Mayor City of Rankin.

Dr. O. Z. Martin OPTOMETRIST Hours 9-5, Closed Monday Telephone 161

Specials Fri. & Sat., March 26 & 27

Table listing specials for Florida mesh bag oranges (39c), lettuce (19c), tomatoes (19c), and apples (19c). Also includes Lipton Tea and Tea Bags (29c).

POTATOES 10 LB. MESH BAG 35c

Table listing various produce items like sour or dill pickles, Stokely's Juice, Hormel O L E O, Pure Cane Sugar, Ass'd. 9 oz. Glass MA BROWN Pure Fruit JELLY, Crisco, Kimbell's Chili, Pet or Carnation Milk, Sunshiner Crackers, Toilet Tissue, Swift's Prem, Borden's Biscuits, Austex Beef SteW, Stokely's No. 303 Spinach, Ass't. Flavors MA BROWN Pure Fruit PRESERVES 21 oz.

EGGS GRADE A MED. DOZ. 49c

Table listing more produce items like Pure Cane Sugar, Kleenex, Gebbert 303 Size Chili Beans, Stokely's No. 303 Pears, Miracle Whip, Salad Dressing.

FRYERS, SWIFT'S OR HEART OF TEXAS lb. .49

Table listing meat items like Choice Arm or Chuck Beef Roast, All Meat Cello Pkg. Weiners, Choice Steak Sirloin or Clubs, Hormel Bacon.

CASHWAY GROCERY AND MKT.

There'll be plenty more of these Specials on our windows.

WE GIVE S & H GREEN STAMPS—DOUBLE STAMPS ON WEDNESDAYS—WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITY