

Grace West Is First To Run In School Board Race

In the upcoming Rankin Board election took a look with the announcement that Grace West that he is for one of the two seats will be open for voting in April. Seats are those presently

held by Carl Shaffer and Ed Guy Branch. School trustees serve for three-year terms.

Mr. West is 45 years of age and has lived in Rankin over 9 years. He is a member of the Baptist Church and is employed by the Halliburton Company as

shop foreman.

Mr. and Mrs. West have two daughters, Charlene, a freshman at Texas Tech and a 1960 graduate of Rankin High School where she was valedictorian, and Sujane, a member of the present junior class of the high school.

Mr. West issued the following statement: "The well-being of my church, my school and my community has always been of great interest to me, and if elected to the school board, I shall always strive for the highest standards possible for our school system, so long as they are on an economical basis.

I also promise to give the time necessary, to perform the duties of this office to the best of my ability."

Other present members of the Board of Trustees of the Rankin Independent Schools are A. B. McGill, Shank Bloxom, Joe Simpson,

Ed Edgar, and W. O. Adams, the latter two elected last year for their first terms, along with McGill who was a hold-over.

Persons interested in seeking a seat on the board, and who are qualified, need only leave their names with Henry Scarborough, the school business manager, in order to get their names on the ballot. There is no fee required—nor is there any pay involved.

Any announcements prospective candidates wish to make in The Rankin News are also free of charge.

Announcements will be run in the order which they are received.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1961

To Observe
Parents Day Feb. 16

Secrets Parent-Teacher Association will observe its next regular meeting at a tea to be held in the auditorium at 7:00 p. m., February 16.

Shannon, program announced that a "Teaching Socialism" will be presented by Mr. Clyde Overton, a narrator. Charter members and life members will also be recognized.

Homemakers with a grant of \$100 per child. The grant will be provided by the Homemakers with a grant of \$100 per child. The grant will be provided by the Homemakers with a grant of \$100 per child.

Move Made As Revenues Take Drop --

County Applies Salary Cuts To Three Non-Elective Posts

The Upton County Commissioner Court, meeting in regular session last Monday, was in a wage cutting humor as they trimmed salaries affecting county payrolls.

Coming under the axe were the wages paid the Juvenile Officer,

the County Weigher and the County Health Officer.

For the Juvenile Officer, a \$100 a-month cut was made—from \$300 to \$200 per month or \$2400 per year. W. O. Adams holds this office which is filled by appointment by the Court, as are the other two positions. The salary for County Weigher—or Livestock Inspector—was cut from \$150 per month to \$50 per month or \$600 per year.

In the matter of County Health Officer, the Court made a change from two officers to one and cut the salary from \$100 per month for each to \$10.00 per year for the one. Dr. James Cooper of McCamey and Dr. J. D. Gossett of Rankin had previously held these offices. The Court appointed Gossett to the single post for a two-year term.

Voting on the wage adjustments was not unanimous, however. The

record shows that Commissioners Workman, Buford and Conger voted for the measure while Commissioner Wheeler opposed its adoption.

In other matters, the Court appointed election officials as follows: Box 1, E. C. Higday, presid-

Merit Tests To Be Given HS Students

Thirty-three students at Rankin High School plan to take the National Scholarship Qualifying Test Mr. Bill J. Hood, principal, announced this week. The test will be administered at the high school at 9:00 a. m., Tuesday, March 7. All students who wish to be considered for Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1962 must take the test at that time.

The qualifying test is a three-hour examination of educational development. The test is a first step in the 7th annual competition for four-year Merit Scholarships provided by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. and by sponsoring corporations, foundations, associations, and individuals.

High School Students Contribute to News

This week, the Rankin News is honored with the journalism efforts of the staff of the DEVIL'S MIRROR, the Rankin High School newspaper. The MIRROR has a number of articles appearing in this issue of the News.

Readers will find them full of items about the happening at the High School and will get an insight into what is going on if they will read the stories.

ing judge and Boyd Cox, judge. Box 2, Norman Elrod, presiding judge and Mrs. Cecil Merriman, judge. Box 3, Mrs. R. R. Calcoate, presiding judge and Mrs. Moore Jones, judge—the above three boxes being in Rankin and Midkiff.

In McCamey, it was F. W. Payne and Eddie McAnally for Box 4; Mrs. A. E. Asher and Roy Mosley in Box 5 and Walter Campbell and Cleo Spalding in Box 6.

The Absentee Canvassing Committee is to be composed of Higday, Elrod, Cox and Mrs. Merriman.

At the same time, they accepted the bid of C. W. Brown Motor Co. of McCamey for one 1961 4-Door Bel Air Chevrolet car at the price of \$3495.75 less trade-in of a 1959 Chevrolet for \$1422.75—a net bid of \$2073.00. The car is for use by the Sheriff's Department.

Other matters were mostly routine.

Rankin Golf Club To Continue Work Day

Rankin Golf Club members got off to a good start on their first work day last Saturday on the local golf course with a fair turnout of help. Four-inch pipe was run to two greens, tee boxes were prepared and other work lined out.

Another work day will be held this Saturday and anyone who so desires is welcome to lend a hand.

Football Banquet Set

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR) The annual Football Banquet will be held on February 27. The speaker's name has not yet been announced.

Peggy Frost, football sweetheart, will be presented at the banquet.



THE SWEETHEART— Sybil Browning has been named "Valentine Sweetheart for 1961" by the members of the Omicron Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Christine Day received similar honors from the Alpha Chapter. Her picture was not available.

THE SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

THE ORGANIZERS—

It may be that folks here in Rankin are no different than the folks any place else in most respects but when it comes to organizing, I believe we have about the most skilled group that can be found. We have here, a half-dozen or so clubs, ranging from golf to study, to bridge, to poker, to go-karts, to roping, ect—plus the regular lodge and sorority organizations, scouts, 4-H, homemakers, church and civic. Add to these, the P-TA, and another half-dozen school clubs and you soon see where just about everybody in the community belongs to at least one organized club or group and most of us belong to several.

And I think we can all say that the big majority of these clubs and groups get things done. We are not only organized, we are at work.

Which bring up the story about the two Rankinites who died and went to Heaven.

When they got to the Gate, St. Peter checked his roll and sure enough, there was their names, entitling them to admission—but at that particular time, Heaven was a bit overcrowded and St. Peter just couldn't find a place for the two newcomers.

Finally, after racking his brain over the matter, he called up the Devil and said: Say, there, Satan, I have two fellows here from Rankin who are supposed to be put into Heaven but we're overcrowded right now and would you be so kind as to put them up for a few days until we can get some more mansions ready?" (It was probably a government project.)

Satan agreed to accommodate the two and they were dispatched to the hot spot for a few days stay.

All was well for some forty-eight hours when the phone rang at St. Peter's office and Satan was on the line.

"Say, Pete," he said, "you are going to have to get these two characters from Rankin out of Hell right now."

"Why? What have they done?," asked St. Peter.

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"What have they done?," answered Satan. "They have been here less than two days and already they only like \$159.50 having enough money collected to air condition the whole place."

Yep, we're good organizers.

DOGS—

I have been asked to say a few words about dogs in Rankin.

This subject has been hashed over several times before and almost nobody has come up with any permanent solution. Dogs seem to come and go but more come than go and dog parties are held almost nightly all up and down the streets and back alleys of the town with the result that still more dogs can be expected before too many more moons.

What is the solution? I don't know for it seems that dogs will be dogs despite the best effort of anyone to try and reform them.

About the only solution I can think of is for the City Dads to pass some ordinances against their running loose and back them up with some actions. And even this could lead to a good bit of cussing for the City Council for people are by their dogs a lot like they are about their children. It's always the other fellow's who is causing all the trouble.

But a little thinning out of the doggie set is definitely in order—to that, I think almost all will agree.

A GOOD POINT—

Now we have 29 candidates out in the State Senator race—there were 29 at the last count.

It's going to be pretty hard for a voter to make up his mind out of that many and it would be reasonable to assume that almost any one of them would have a chance of getting into the run-off what with the vote going to be split up between that many.

One of the present front runners
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HOSPITAL NOTES

Mr. Silas Wood of Rankin was admitted December 24.
Mr. O. L. Riley of Midkiff was admitted January 26 and dismissed February 6.
Mrs. Horace West of Rankin was admitted January 30 and dismissed February 7.
Mrs. Stacy Hodges of Rankin was admitted January 31 and dismissed February 11.
Mrs. J. H. Vermillion of Mc-Camey was admitted February 1.
Mr. David W. Workman of Tex-on was admitted February 1.
Mr. Garland Dupriest of Mid-kiff was admitted February 4 and

reasoning, they must mean that he is no good for the planners in Washington and if he is no good for that, he is just the fellow I'm looking for—but I think I'll still vote for the horse.

Blue and Gold Banquet Honors Cub Scout Pack

Kenneth Welsch, superintendent of Rankin Schools, gave the address at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet for Cub Scout Pack 56 in the school cafeteria last Friday evening. The invocation was given by Rev. R. L. Shannon.

As his topic, the superintendent chose: "The Value of the Cub Program". He cited the Cub Program as a family endeavor with mention of the necessity of the home, school and church co-operating in the building of better citizens, better communities and a better world.

Entertainment for the evening was furnished by Charles Taylor of Ozona. Pledge of Alligence was led by member of Den No. 6.

In a candlelight service, Robert Holden, Cubmaster, presented awards to the following: Charles

Wheeler, Bobcat badge; David Thames, Ron Leach, Vic Ivy, Danny Medley and Ray Don Fuller, Wolf badge. Fuller also received a gold point. Jackie Miller received both the gold and silver points, while the Bear badge went to Patrick Holden, David Welsch and Gary Taylor, the latter also getting the gold and silver points while Rickey Taylor received the silver point.

Kyle Adams received the Lion badge; Terry Holt and Lennie Garrett were made Webelos and service stars were given to Jackie Miller, Tommy Thompson, Roddy Haan, Mike Sproul, Garland Williams and Ron Leach. David Trowbridge was made Denner and Mike Sproul, assistant Denner.

Earlex Williams and Ronnie Betz, Boy Scouts, received Den Chief cards.

Cubmaster Holden also recognized Den Mothers Mrs. Leonard Garrett, Mrs. James Haan, Mrs. Bellmond Williams, Mrs. Nolan Adams and Garland Sanders.

It was announced that Cub Pack 56 received the Honor Unit Award for 1961, having achieved all membership goals set by the Comcho Valley Boy Scout Council headquarters in San Angelo.

Honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bell, Mrs. Elizabeth Rains and Rev. Shannon. Mr. Bell is presently the Neighborhood Commissioner and a District Committeeman while Mrs. Rains represents (Continued To Page Five)

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TELEPHONE TALK

Mac Hudgins, Manager

HOSPITAL CARE BY TELEPHONE

by a number of interesting or unusual communications passes my desk. While this one didn't happen here in Rankin, you'll find it interesting, too.

After Thanksgiving, a young mother was hospitalized. She needed rest and complete rest. Everything went well until she had her three little girls who were too young to visit her in hospital. To make matters worse, she worried about not being able to go Christmas shopping.

The nurses discovered what was troubling her, they had a telephone. A phone was placed next to her bed. She talked with her family every day . . . and, what's more, did all of her Christmas shopping by telephone. It's stories and services like this that make us to advertise like this: "You name any communication, Southwestern Bell has a service to meet it."

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Folks in Rankin may have a similar communications system at home. It's called the home interphone and offers many ways to save time and needless steps. For instance you can call from room to room, call people to the phone, even answer the phone while leaving the room you're in.

A home phone in the home is a small speaker which broadcasts the voice. The person called can answer through a small microphone in the base of the phone.

For more information about the home interphone, just call your telephone business office—or ask any telephone service man.

KEEP AN OPEN LINE

While a child or a household pet will cause the receiver to be off the hook. When this happens the phone is automatically disconnected for incoming calls.

To be sure there are no lost calls to your home, it's a good idea to occasionally check the phones in rooms where the children play.

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dismissed February 4.

Mrs. Everett Warren of Rankin was admitted February 5 and dismissed February 10.

Mrs. Otto Engel of Rankin was admitted February 6.

Jimmy Williams, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Williams of Rankin was admitted February 9.

Janice Halford, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Halford of Rankin, was admitted on February 9 and dismissed February 10.

Stevie Gary McWhorter, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard McWhorter of McCamey was admitted February 14.

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Try-Outs Held, Work Started on Play Cast

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

One act play try-outs were held February 3. The results were posted by Mrs. Prentice on February 6.

The characters for this year's play, "Antigone", are: Larry Simpson, Darlene Workman, Butch Moore, Sujane West, Lonnie Ferrell, Pam Simpson, James Tippet and Ronnie Sheffield.

Rehearsals began Monday afternoon, February 6.

Senior-Faculty BB Benefit Game Feb. 24

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

The annual Senior-Faculty basketball game will be held Friday, February 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym.

Admission to the game will be 25 cents for students and 35 cents for adults. All proceeds go to the senior class.

Members of the faculty who have agreed to play are: Coach Leach, Coach Finley, Mr. Dobbs, Mr. Valadez, Mr. Roycroft, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Holden and Mr. Copeland.

Women faculty members will serve as cheerleaders for the faculty team.

BETTER GRADES TEN STEPS TO

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

Good work habits are essential if one wants to make better grades.

It saves time and energy to know where and when one is going to work, how one is going to work, and at what one is going to work.

Once one gets in the habit of doing assignments according to a certain pattern, the task of getting down to work is easier. One finds, also, that he now has more time for other things.

Here are some suggestions that will help students to more efficient work:

1. Have a regular place of study in the home. Make sure it has good lighting and is situated away from the T. V. set, the radio, and the confusion of the rest of the house. Provide a place to put your books so you will always know where they are.

2. Set aside a regular time to study and a fairly regular amount of time to devote to it.

3. Always make sure you understand exactly what you are expected to do on assignments.

4. Keep an assignment sheet.

5. Do your work as soon as you can. Do not put it off until another day.

6. Allow yourself enough time for each assignment.

7. When your mind begins to wander, quit working for a while and relax.

8. Do your own work.

9. Use the dictionary.

10. Study the hardest things first.

RHS PICKS IDEAL BOY AND GIRL

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

This week the Junior Class chose their ideal boy and girl. The ideal girl is as follows:

Eyes, Betty Gaines; eyelashes, Betty Gaines; hair, Betty Gaines; teeth, Sujane West; lips, Sharon Halford; complexion, Sue Wells; hands, Anita Potter; figure, Joy Braden; flirt, Judy James; legs, Joy Braden; clothes, Sujane West; dimples, Ellen Blex; wit, Linda McDonald; talent, Anita Potter; smile, Judy James; laugh Evelyn Waters; voice, Sue Eaton; cheerful, Carole Lacy.

Friendly, Linda McDonald; studious, Betty Gaines; cute, Sharon Halford; bashful, Ellen Blex; handwriting, Sujane West; dependable,

Sue Wells; athletic, Joy Braden; personality, Judy James; polite, Betty McCain.

The ideal boy is:

Eyes, Troy Chesnut; hair, Jimmy Holt; teeth, Jimmy Linthicum; build, Jimmy Linthicum; height, Bucky Scarborough; neatness, Gerald Crabtree; dimples, Scotty Bennett; smile, Gerald Crabtree; laugh, Fred Moore; voice, Fred Moore; cheerful, Ernest Clay; friendly, Troy Chesnut; studious, Lonnie Ferrell; cute, Troy Chesnut;

Bashful, Gerald Crabtree; flirt, Ernest Clay; dependable, Jimmy Linthicum; personality, Ernest Clay; wit, Ronnie Sheffield; handsome, Jimmy Holt; athletic, Tom Aguilar; handwriting, Lonnie Ferrell; polite, Gerald Crabtree; and talent, Lonnie Ferrell.

Mrs. John Fletcher of San Antonio visited over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Linton Clark.

The Rankin (Tex.) Thursday, Feb. 10

Mr. and Mrs. James children of Fort Worth week end with her and Mrs. T. E. Linton

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**English Classes To
Devil's Mirror**

English classes taught by Mrs. Croft will write and edit the issues for one issue of the DEVIL'S MIRROR before the end of school. The publication date and the person responsible for each paper follows: March 1, second period; March 15, third period; March 29, fourth period; April 12, fourth period; April 26, fifth period. The regular staff will write and edit the last issue of the paper May 10.

**Notice Given About
Little League Meet**

All interested parties are reminded of the regularly scheduled meeting of The Rankin Little League which is to be held tonight, Thursday, February 16 at the Rankin Park Building. All those interested are invited to attend and help make plans for the coming season.

SCOUT BANQUET—

(Continued from Page 3)
Presented the Rankin Rebekahs, sponsors of the Pack. The meeting was dismissed by W. O. Adams. Approximately 150 Cubs, parents and guests were on hand.

**WMU Meeting Held
By Baptist Circles**

The WMU of the First Baptist Church met Tuesday at 9:30 a. m. for Mission Study. Mr. Zack Monroe gave the opening prayer. Mrs. Doyle Humphries of the Georgia McCamey Circle, had charge of the program; the theme being: "Witness Where You Are". Taking part in the program were Mesdames R. H. Bearden, R. L. Connally, W. A. Sharp and Margaret Betz. Mrs. J. L. Manry, Jr. gave the closing prayer. Tuesday, February 21, there will be an all-day Mission Study at the church with the study topic being: "The Dreamers Cometh".

**Effort Being Made
To Form New Club**

All persons interested in seeing the formation of a Garden Club in Rankin are asked to please call BCD Manager Billy Watson at the City Hall and leave their names. This procedure is being followed in an effort to determine if there is enough interest in such a project to warrant its undertaking in Rankin at this time. Further announcements will be made on the matter if enough indicate a desire to form the Club.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

That an election be held in said School District on April 1st, 1961, for the purpose of electing two members to the Board of Trustees of said District. That said election shall be held at the following places and the following named persons are hereby appointed officers of said election. At High School Building, in Rankin, Texas, in said School District with W. C. McDonald, Sr. as Presiding Judge. At Phillips Recreation Building in Midkiff, Texas, in said School District with J. L. Wells as Presiding Judge.

REBEKAH NEWS

Rankin Rebekah Lodge met for regular session Thursday night, February 9 with Noble Grand Nadine Woodard, presiding. Eleven members were present, along with four visitors from the Stanton Lodge. Thirty-two sick visits were reported and 30 cards sent to the sick.

**Legal Notice
Notice Of Election**

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF UPTON
On this, the 8th day of February, 1961, the Board of Trustees of the Rankin Independent School District convened in regular session with the following members present, to wit: A. B. McGill, President, Carl Shaffer, Shankel Bloxom, Ed Edgar and W. O. Adams, constituting a quorum, and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:
WHEREAS the school district has more than 500 scholastics and is subject to the terms and provisions of Article 2777 and Article 277a; and
THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RANKIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

A copy of this order, signed by the President and attested by the Secretary of this Board, shall serve as notice of said election, and be posted in three different places in said School District, which posting shall be done immediately following action of the Board of Trustees ordering this election.
The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that same do pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted AYE: Ed Edgar, Carl Shaffer, W. O. Adams and Shankel Bloxom and the following voting NO:
In Testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the President and Secretary of said Rankin Independent School District and the seal thereof hereunto affixed, this 8th day of February, 1961.
President A. B. McGill, Rankin Independent School District.
Joe Simpson, Secretary.
(SEAL)



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RANKIN HIGH SCHOOL

FEBRUARY

Featured Senior Students Reveal Likes and Dislikes

The DEVIL'S MIRROR is featuring five Seniors in this issue.

RONNIE GRYDER

Ronnie Gryder has lived in Rankin for six years.

"I have attended too many other schools to mention," he said.

Among his favorites are: color, blue; food, Mexican food; and teachers, Mr. Roycroft and Mr. Dobbs. His favorite class is mechanical drawing, and his favorite sport is football. His favorite pastime is just "messing around", and he has no pet peeve.

His after-graduation plans are to go to college. His remarks about Rankin are: "I like it. Kinda dead though."

His achievements include class president for three years and vice-president for one year; football, three years, and track, two years. He was chosen as the most courteous boy this year.

LINDA IVEY

Linda Ivey has lived in Rankin for two years, and before that she went to school in Jal, New Mexico, Odessa, and Big Lake.

Her favorites are: colors, gold and violet; food, Mexican food; teacher, Mr. Dobbs; class, typing;

and sport, volleyball.

Her pet peeve is too much homework in one night.

Her after-graduation plans are to go to beauty college in Midland. Her remarks about Rankin are: "I have liked Rankin ever since I have been here. The only thing I have against it is I just don't like school of any kind, anywhere."

Her achievements include: volleyball, two years; F.H.A., two years, and basketball, one year.

BUTCH MOORE

Butch Moore has lived in Rankin for 14 years, and he has attended no other schools.

His favorites are: color, sky blue and copper brown; food, anything his mother cooks; teachers, Mr. Dobbs and Mr. Roycroft; class, physics; sport, tennis; and pastime, speech work.

His pet peeves are people who let others think for them and are afraid to stand up for what they believe.

His after-graduation plans are not definite. His remarks about Rankin are: "It is an ideal place to raise children or retire, but since I don't plan to do either anytime in the near future, I shall have to go elsewhere to find my

fortune in life."

His achievements are annual staff, Science Club, Student Council, football, track, tennis, debate, declamation and Spanish Club.

JOE PERKS

Joe Perks has never lived in Rankin but has attended Rankin schools for five years. He attended six other schools.

His list of favorites are: color, blue; food, shrimp; teachers, Mr. Roycroft, Mr. Finley and Mr. Jeddlicka; class, all of them; sport, football; his favorite pastime, Mary.

His pet peeve is people who gripe too much.

His after-graduation plans are to join the Navy or attend some college. His remarks about Rankin are: "none at the present because I'm not out yet."

His achievements are: football for four years, basketball for one year and track for one year.

RICKY POYNOR

Ricky Poynor has lived in Rankin for ten years and had attended McCamey schools for the first two years.

His favorites are: color, blue. (Continued to Page 7)

H E Quilt Project Wins Recognition

The Home Economics girls have begun to turn in their home projects for this semester.

One of the outstanding projects turned in was a quilt made by Joy Braden. The quilt has a blue background with the pictures of the fifty state birds on blocks of white.

This quilt, along with the dresses made by the third year girls, is currently being displayed in the show case outside the Home Economics Department.

The State requires that at least thirty hours be spent on home projects. Most of the girls are working in the fields of child care, sewing, and interior decoration, Mrs. Melba Wilson, H. E. teacher, has said.

The DEVIL'S MIRROR Staff, student body, and faculty of Rankin High School, express their deepest sympathy to Mike Kelley and his family on the recent death of his father.

TO ABILENE—

Friday and Saturday the speech students of Rankin High School will attend a tournament in Abilene.

THINCLADS BEGIN PRACTICE MARCH 11 SET FOR MEET

Track work-outs start Wednesday, February 15. Coach Don Leach said this week.

The number of participants is not known yet. Coach Leach said that he hoped all the boys would

Rankin Band Wins First Place Honors At Del Rio, Texas

The Rankin Red Devil Band added two more trophies to their large collection by winning first division in concert playing and sight reading at Del Rio, February 4. The band was competing with three other class A bands and received favorable criticisms from the judges.

Seven members of the band were selected for the All-Star Band which presented a concert on Saturday night. These members were Linda Crow, Sujane West, Lonnie Ferrell, Sammie Steele, Wanda Reams, Larry Simpson and Pam Simpson.

On March 4 the band will enter a similar festival in Brady. In previous years, the band has taken top honors at this festival, also.

Thanks Expressed To Mr. Hutchens By Devils Mirror

The DEVIL'S MIRROR staff and sponsor wish to thank the editor of the Rankin News for publishing the high school paper as part of his regular weekly newspaper.

In the past, the high school's paper has been mimeographed and sold at the school to the students. Many parents have been "left out" on what is going on at the school except for what they read in the Rankin News.

It is the staff's hope that satisfactory arrangements with Mr. Hutchens may be made to continue publishing the school's bi-monthly paper as part of his regular newspaper.

Again, the staff extends its thanks to Mr. Hutchens for his time and efforts in making this printed paper possible.

VIRGINIA HARRAL IS RHS RODEO QUEEN FOR 1961

Virginia Harral was chosen by the high school principal, Mr. Hood, as Rankin Rodeo Queen. She took part in the Odessa Rodeo in December where she rode in the Grand Entry.

Virginia was escorted to the Sweetheart Banquet by Franklin Farrow.

come out.

A few boys have already

practicing certain events. The first meet will be the Comanche Relays on March 11 at Fort Stockton.

According to Coach Leach, freshmen boys will have four meets during the year. The following track meets have been set up by Coach Leach: Feb. 25 Comanche Relays at Fort Stockton.

Mar. 11 Ozona Relays
Mar. 17 Wink Relays
Mar. 25 Mustang Relays
Apr. 8 Sandhill Relays
Apr. 14 District 7-A Relays

The district meets are elementary, junior, and senior divisions.

Assisting Coach Leach is Coach Kelley.

Home Economics Honor School With Formal

The Home Economics Department served a formal dinner to members of the school on Wednesday, February 15. Home Economics Department is preceding their monthly meeting.

The dinner of grilled potatoes, corn, asparagus, baked Alaskan cake, was served by Gwena Halford, and Jeanne Joy Braden and Dawn Ed as hostesses.

This dinner was the first for the girls in the school.

Cagers Close The 14 by Trade To Meet Sanderson

The Rankin Red Devils closed their 1961 basketball season Tuesday night by defeating Sanderson.

The Devils have done well this season. They have a record going into the Fabens Saturday night game.

Tuesday, February 14, the Devils defeated 63-39. The man for the Devils was Donald with 17 points.

Friday, February 10, the Devils defeated Van Horn, only to be defeated by a score of 49-39. The high point man was

January 31, the Devils defeated Wink and recorded a 14-14 feat. The final score was Rankin's high score of 49-39. Aguilera with 9 points.

With the addition of Weaver to the Rankin team.

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An Editorial --

Are You A Parasite?

In an English class the other day, five or six students borrowed unruled paper on which to write letters from a thoughtful student who had brought some for his own use. In math class the few students who brought graph paper had to supply the rest of the class with paper on which to work their problems. Day by day some students call on somebody else to furnish them with paper, pencils and other supplies they should have brought themselves.

One sheet of paper or one pencil would not be a hardship on a generous lender; but when sheet

after sheet is loaned day after day and never returned, the cost mounts steadily. Many students coming from poor homes find it a hardship to supply their friends, in addition to themselves, with supplies. Those from wealthier homes begin to resent the thoughtlessness of the habitual borrower. Is it fair for a few students to supply the rest?

Stinginess and thoughtlessness are causes of borrowing.

Parasites live off other plants; borrowers live off other human beings. Are you a parasite?

Senior Class Orders Invitation, Cards For May Exercises

The Senior Class has taken one more giant step toward the realization of their goal. On Thursday, February 2, they selected their graduation invitations.

The invitations are of white French fold parchment with a black steel-point etching of Rankin High School. (Continued to Page 7)

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SENIORS—
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teachers, Mr. Roycroft, Edlioka; class, mechanical; sport, football; past; Carolyn; and his pet freshman girls. graduation plans are Tarleton State College and then to Texas A &

marks about Rankin are: a fine, little town with school. All of my friends and I wouldn't trade it for anything. Activities are: football, basketball, one year; 4-H, four years; National Honor Society, three

you? There are people things happen, people things happen and don't know anything

CAGERS CLOSE—
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the Devils have become a basketball threat. Weaver has a 19 point average for two games.

The B team defeated Iraan on Tuesday, February 3, by a 24-19 score. Weaver was high man with 18 points.

The Devil's B team won their game with Wink by a score of 40-37 in the overtime. Weaver was high point man with 20 points.

SENIOR CLASS—
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Rankin High School on the front cover. The personal name cards are co-ordinated by the use of the same style of printing used on the invitations.

The seniors were shown styles of "thank you notes" which they could order if they wished.

The Senior English class is writing letters to pen pals all over the world. The project is sure to prove a very interesting experience.

Gilrs Basketballers Close 1961 Season

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

The girl cagers saw a lot of action in the month of January. Besides attending the Lakeview Tournament and opening district play, they had several other games.

On January 9, the McCamey girls defeated Rankin, 37-49. Alta McAden was high point girl with twenty-one points. The "B" team also had a game that night; the score was 26-30.

District play opened on January 13 with a game in Van Horn. The girls lost, 17-29. Joy Braden was high point girl with 13 points.

The girls lost a non-district game to Eldorado on January 16, 33-40. Joy led the scoring attack with 19 points.

On January 20, the girls went to the Lakeview Tournament. In their first game, Richland Springs beat them 37-27. Joy was high point girl with 15 points. Mertzon beat them in their second game, 40-43. Joy led the scoring again

RHS Students Take Long Pants Survey

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

Our "men in the street" were asked in this survey what they thought of girls wearing long pants. Here are their replys:

Mr. Valadez—"A girl looks more feminine in a dress, but they look real cute in them—realy I'm un-concerned."

Mr. Hood—"If they wore them so that there would not be any danger of their splitting when the girls walked, it would be alright, but I haven't seen any of them that are that way."

Miss Embry—"I don't think it's a feminine habit; while they are fine for some occasions, I don't

with 23 points.

In their second district game, on January 24, Rankin was defeated by Sanderson, 35-43. Joy was high point once again with 21 points.

The girls finished play for the month of January at a game in McCamey on the 26. They were defeated 30-47, with Joy leading the scoring with 19 points.

On February 3, the girls lost another district game to Van Horn, 36-41. Joy was high point girl once again with 19 points.

approve of them for school." Sharon H.—"It's just fine as long as they don't wear them every day."

Joe G.—"It's alright on a cold day."

Jon C.—"It looks ignorant." Terry T.—"It looks okay on a week-end."

Danny W.—"Girls look better in dresses, but it is up to them if they want to wear them."

Betty G.—"It does not matter to me. Whatever they wear is okay with me."

Sophomore Enters Rankin High School

(From the DEVIL'S MIRROR)

Terry Taylor, who is sixteen, is the new sophomore boy. He attended school in San Angelo before coming to Rankin.

His favorites are: colors, blue and brown; food, fruit salad; subject, biology; teacher, Coach Finley; sport, track.

He likes RHS very much. He thinks the students are nice and friendly.

His pet peeve is Jeanie's not taking to him.

He goes to the Baptist Church. His plan for the future is to make a career out of the Air Force.

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Thursday, Feb. 16, The Rankin (Tex.)

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