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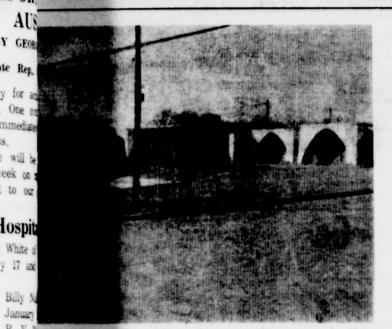
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RANKIN (79778), UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1969

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have yet been signed. However, a representative from the Fort Worth office of HUD is to be in Rankin next Tuesday to assist in the final arrangements of putting the project into the management phase and renters may expect to be moving in by March 1-if no further complications develop. A final construction inspection is scheduled for Thursday.

Big Team Tying is Slated for Rankin

Rankin will host a full-scale team tying roping event, Sunday, February 23, with Rankin Lions Club cooperating with the Rankin Roping Club. The Lions will have the gate-at 50-cent per person with school students admitted free. and the concession stand.

Teams will rope and tie three steers, for a best-time average with the winning team to receive \$50.

Some forty teams are expected with some of the top talent in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico expected to be on hand. For the local ropers, Harry How

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School Board Minutes Reveal Variety of Actions

Club Signs Note: Opens Membership for Limited Number

The membership of the Rankin Country Club were somewhat encouraged this week in their efforts to secure a FHA loan for improvements when the office in Fort Stockton sent out note forms to be signed by club officers. In the Low Rent Housing program, preliminary funds became available shortly after the signing of the repayment notes by members of the Authority.

In a telephone conversation last week with the Fort Stockton office, Mr. Bob Edwards, the county supervisor for FHA told The News that he saw no reason why the loan would not be approved, once all details of paper werk were completed. He said that he had received no notice of any cutbacks by the Federal Government in the FHA program. Stanton, where a similar organization had made application for a loan about the same time as did the Rankin group, has already received their approval.

At the suggestion of the FHA, the Club this week announced that they are again opening their membership rolls and a limited number of these are now available at the \$50 initiation fee. Originally a seventy-five membership roll had been established and over-pledged. Anyone interested in securing one of the new memberships may contact Mrs. L. Z. Titsworth, the secretary, or make inquiry at the club house. The expanded membership was suggested when the Club's loan application was increased over its original planned amount.

In their meeting Tuesday night, in addition to calling the election, Rankin School Board delt with a number of other items including the one-year extension of contracts for all three principals, the business manager, four coaches and the band director. In a previous meeting, they had extended the contract of superintendent H. G. Adams until 1972.

Principals re-hired were A. C. Copeland, high school, E. G. Walker, junior high, and Mike Hughes in elementary.

Coaches re-hired were Wayne Mitchell, Bill Beasley, Larry Braden and Bud Poage. Contracts that were not renewed included those of Bill Anderson and Miss Dorthea Wright. They also accepted the resignation of high school English and speech teacher Richard Gilman who is returning to college for further studies.

School counselor Glenn Cornwell was also rehired.

All salaries were to remain at the current levels.

In the contract with Poage, the stipulation was made that he begin work this summer on qualifying for a perminant teaching

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certificate, taking a minimum of 12 hours. Poage holds a temporary teaching certificate and a B. A. degree. He lacks some 27 hours to qualify for his perminant certificate.

In other matters the board appointed Mrs. Sam Holmes as election judge and Mesdames Clint Shaw, Grimm Taylor and C. B. Snell as clerks. For the Board of Equalization, they picked Charlie Wheeler, Wallace Gary and Tom Workman.

One bus route, the early evening run for 1st Graders, was dropped and the nine-passenger bus that had been up for sale was awarded to the Boy Scouts on a bid of \$1.

They also approved a new professional growth policy and authorized the superintendent to make application for the establishment of a special educational class to begin next fall.

It was also revealed in the new school census that enrollment may be expected to drop next year from the current 503 to 468, due primarily to the smaller number expected in the first grade for the 1968-1969 term.

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members are Dr. J. D. Gossett, Lloyd Helms, Johnny Rankin and Billie S. Brown, School board members are elected for threeyear terms and Barrett and Smith have already signed for re-election.

For Rankin Hospital District, seats up for voting are those currently held by Joe Simpson, Horace West and Dell Cooledge. Simpson is board president, West is vice-president and Cooledge is secretary. Other members of the board are Pinkie Barnes and Jerry Barton. Members are elected for two-year terms.

Cub Scouter to hold **Blue-Gold Banquet**

Rankin Cub Scouts, completing annual Boy Scout Week activities. will hold their Blue and Gold Banquet at 6:00 p.m. at the Elementary School Cafeteria Thursday night, February 13. Speaker for the evening will be Mr. H. G. Adams, superintendent of Rankin Schools.

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Honor Red Devils IO

Friday Sports Banquet

Rankin High School's Sports Banquet, honoring the 1967-1968 Red Devils, will be held at 7:30 p.m Saturday evening at the Elementary School Cafeteria, Wally Bullington, head football coach at Abilene Christian College, is to be the guest speaker for the evening.

Toastmaster will be Dr. James D. Gossett, president of the Rankin School Board. Invocation will be given by Superintendent H. G. Adams, followed by the dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Teague are to supply musical selections, to be followed by the presentation of athletic teams-both boys and girls-by coaches and team captains.

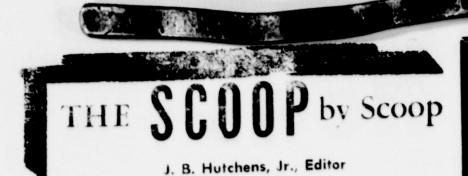
A. C. Copeland, RHS principal, will introduce guests after which Don Deel, president of the Booster Club, will present the "Fighting Heart Award."

Head coach and athletic director Wayne Mitchell will introduce Bullington and following his address, J. C. Tankersley, pastor of First Baptist Church, will give the Benediction.

1969 SCHEDULE

At the same time, the program for the evening reveals the 1969 A-Team football schedule. It is as follows:

September 12, Coahoma, here September 19, McCamey, there September 26, Wall, here October 3, Reagan Co. there October 10, Sonora, there October 17, Socorro, there October 24, Clint, here (homecoming) October 31, Van Horn, there November 7, Iraan, here November 14, Sanderson, here



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The library will go on without

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grow but she can take more than

passing pride in the fact that she

In lieu of the gold watch that

usually is given at retirement time, I'm sure the entire com-

munity joins me in saying, "Well

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Some of us are just born win-

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TO MRS. EDWARDS-

On February 1 one of the more dedicated public servants in Upton County retired, Mrs. Odessa Edwards had been librarian at the Rankin Library since its establishment in 1951.

Her retirement, like the person she is, was a quiet one with a lot of us not knowing about it until the minutes of the Commissioner's Court appeared. To have made a big fuss over the event just wouldn't have been in keeping with the quiet, dedicated service she has given.

Mrs. Edwards' interests have always leaned heavily toward good books and reading and she is an avid reader as well as espousing this means of self improvement for others, young and old alike, And, as members of the court will attest, she was always ready to go to battle over any slighting of library funds in the county budget.

Most of us don't make the use of this fine library that we should but it's there for us and a good deal of the credit must go to Odessa Edwards. She was a good hand and a dedicated worker.

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Tech. A member of the Methodist Church, she teaches in the elementary department. Her favorite hob-

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EACH SUNDAY

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by is working with various handicrafts.

She and her husband, who ranches in the Rankin area, are the parents of twin daughters, Kim and Karrie, and a son, Todd.

The Scoop --

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That's the same ole boy who has gone from a 29-inch waist to a 38 and is still growing and has, up to now, been able to eat exactly one piece of that candy.

Life really knows how to hurt you, doesn't she.

THE TAXPAYER-

Each year about this time, I faithfully read the tax book put out by the Infernal Revenue not so much to see if I'm making mine out right as to see i f there are any new loopholes for which I might qualify. And if you, too, are a reader of government tax guides, I'm sure you like me, find a few laughs mixed in with our tears. This year's as printed on page 71, Chapter 20, Small Business Tax Guide—is one more dandy.

A portion of Chapter 20 tells you how to figure "net operating loss" and gives you an example:

There was this big operator-he had a business venture in which he invested \$72,000, got out with \$67,000, and had a \$5,000 loss.

Then this wizard of the high finance managed to lose \$500 on the sale of stock, plus \$150 on some rent property he owned, plus \$700 on a small business stock loss; plus a few assorted other financial outlays that went wrong. He had total losses of \$8,945.

So-how did this big operator get all this money that he had to play around with in the stock market, \$72,000 business ventures, etc.

Well, according to the people who make up examples for the tax people, he had income of \$425 from interest on savings indicating a pretty good nest egg; and . . . now get this—salary earned as a part-time helper in a gas station of \$875!!

Gads, think what on operator he would have been if he'd had a full time job.

COMING ATTRACTION-

Last week, daily newspapers carried stories of plans being put together in Washington to rearrange the income tax and quoted one high administration officials as saying, "I think the people are saying something and I think they are coming through, demanding tax reforms."

Now unless the Nixon people are different than the ones we have had in the past—and I sincerely hope they are and that I'm wrong—it sounds a lot to me like we're fixing to get it socked to us and the politicians are already taking shelter behind the old, trite expression: "it's what people wanted."

I don't recall the boys in Washington asking "the people" about that 43 percent raise they gave themselves—as the first order of business.

McCamey Schools to Offer Program for Area Parents

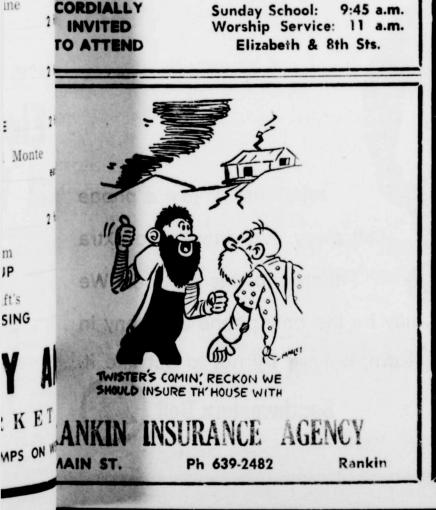
A special program for parents is planned for the evening of Monday, February 17 at McCamey High School. In connection with their Career and College Day program, which will also be attended by Rankin students, the school plans to have an evening program for the parents of high school students.

The evening program for parents will begin at 7:00 p.m. with an assembly in the high school's main auditorium. At this time the representatives of ten different colleges will be introduced. Following the assembly, each parent will have an opportunity to attend sessions of three different colleges of their choice. Parents will have an opportunity to become personally acquainted with representatives of the colleeges and to visit with them individually.

Parents from McCamey, Rankin and Iraan are invited to participate in the evening program. Parents of students who are considering college should benefit by attending this program, say the sponsors.



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Rebekah President to Visit on Feb. 21

Rankin Rebekah Lodge No. 8 met Thursday, February 6 with Noble Grand Dora Loudamey presiding.

Several were reported ill. Unfinished business included the

nominations for Noble Grand, Vice

Grand, secretary and treasurer. The Lodge also voted to put concession money in a savings account with First State Bank. State President of the Rebekah Assembly, IOOF of Texas, Sister Hazel Davis of Ft. Worth, will make her official visit to this district February 21 with a meeting to be held in Crane. The banquet will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Sirloin Steak House, followed by

meeting at the IOOF Hall at 8:30 Sister Clara Hazel, District Deput President of Crane, will be i charge of the program. Rankin Lodge will have charge of the Bible ceremony,

Members are asked to go for mal. Banquet tickets are \$1.7

Ten sisters and three brother were present at the Feb. 6 mee

ing.

Donations Needed for Schooing Classes

Rankin's Community Action Pro gram has begun Adult Basic Eduation Classes in the Community Action building in the old Yates Hotel each Tuesday and Thursday night from 7:00 o'clock p.m. until 9:00 o'clock p.m. H Lucille Robledo, CAC Aide, and The Rankin 1 Thursday, F. cin

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student was among 61 degree requirements at the College at the end semester January 2 o Dr. Hugh E. Me academic dean.

n D. Bean, son of Mr. Sam H. Bean of Ranned B. A. degree with government and minor

gree will be conferred spring commencement Dr. Meredith said.

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he won district and mors as best actor in play, and was a disr in debate.

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REPORT FROM AUSTIN by george baker

State Rep., 66th District

Much of the activity in the 4th week of the 61st Legislature has been devoted to committee organization and receiving bills.

Most bills are being referred to committee, and public hearings in many area should follow soon. The appropriations committee has been working diligently for two weeks now, with members remaining in the capitol all through the weekend to speed up a preliminary hearing on appropriations, so that final form may be given this vital part of legislative procedure early in the session, allowing time for revenue bills to meet budget needs.

The highly controversial bill o public school reorganization (the Governor's Committee report) is being readied for introduction, and is certain to face prolonged hearings and extensive revision.

When all is aid and done, it's

so many of the communities of a matter of so much concern to the 66th District, it seems proper to discuss it again briefly, following up the initial comments the f.rst of these reports.

Much misunderstanding has resulted from incomplete reports on the plan. It cites 2600 scholastics as an ideal number for a balanced school program, and goes further to mention the number of 1600 as an acceptable base where geography and population permit.

BUT, and this is an important exception in our part of the state, allowances are to be made for sparsley settled area, including the provision that no consolatidion requirement would go beyond the county line There is the further provision that county lines could be disregarded when some other locally proposed redistricting pattern is feasable, and can gain approval by the Texas Education Agency.

Contrar to general impression, there is no requirement that any schools be closed down, or that busing of students be mandatory. Al' of these things would be at the

HINTS for the HOMEMAKER

By Mrs. Louie S. Jeffers, County Home Demo. Agent

Carpets are too expensive and too infrequently purchased for buyers to select by trial and error experience. Miss Boony Lay, specialist in home furnishings at the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, suggests consumers in the market for carpeting learn the basic fatcs which apply to-all carpets.

Carpet price is determined by two things: basic material and care and artistry used in manufacturing. According to Miss Lay, the more of either element put into a carpet, the higher the price.

For example, carpet containing nylon wears very well. But nylon carpeting can cost \$6 a square To understand difference in carpets, the specialists points to understanding construction. A carpet is made of a series of layers, each effects a luxurous feeling of the carpet. Quality of the pile is determined by the height of the tufts and their density: Balance between these affects the ability of pile fibers to remain on end in heavy use.

vard up to \$25 a square yard.

Below pile is the primary backing to which the pile it attached. Secondary backing is the last layer. It is recommended with most tufted carpets. Latex applie between the two backing layers locks the individual fibers to prevent pulling out. discretion of the locally elected school board in the consolidated district.

My position is that there must be many exceptions to any rule of minimum size for the school systems in isolated communities and sparsley settled area. There is a general sentiment among the so-called rural legislators with which I concur: That Texas needs improvement of its educational program, but that where needed, consolidation of school districts would be on a voluntary basis in order to meet higher standards of education, with incentives for consolidation rather than compulsion.

The tax equalization features will also need a great deal of study to assure fairness to rural area on land that has speculative value grater than productive capacity.



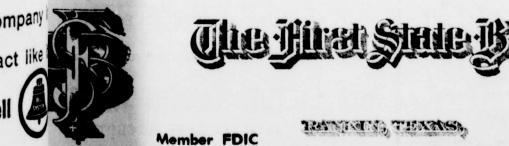
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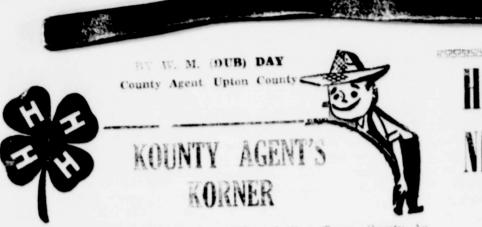
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Poisonous plants have historical ly been one of the major problems in West Texas. Estimates place the annual loss due to the poisonous plants in excess of \$50 million per year from some 30 species, many of which occur in West Texas.

A better accounting of the livestock loss and the species of plants accounting for the loss is under way by the Texas Agricul tural Extension Service in some 31 counties representing 60,000 square

miles of West Texas, County Ag as counties would appreciate rece iving information concerning live stock losses comprising death or sickness. Cards are available to report these losses which are self addressed to Robert E. Steker. Extension Area Range Specialist in Fort Stockton. Periodic reports will be issued on problem plants. animals affected and problemtime of year to better predict animal losses.

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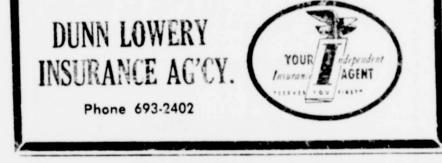
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HOWDY BOYD PIERCE OF BURLESON

Keep smiling, it makes people wonder what you have been up

to.

More diels begin in dress shops haa in doctor's offices.

When all is said and done, it's the politicians who say it and the taxpayers who do it.

If Eve hadn't started it, no doubt womankind would not have been ribbing men ever since.

The search for truth is so difficult that even preachers are unable to agree upon its exposition.

SCHOOL MENU FEBRUARY 17- 21 LUNCH

MONDAY

Tarter Sauce, Catsup, Salmon Croquetts, Mashed Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Buttered Carrots, Light Bread, Corr Bread, Chocolate Cake

TUESDAY

Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Hamburger Steak, Cream Gravy French Fries, Hot Light Bread Peanut Butter Cookies

WEDNESDAY

Lettuce Wedge, Cherry Peppers, Enchiladas, Pinto Beans, Spanish Rice. Corn Bread, Crackers, Pineapple Tiubits

THURSDAY

Gelatine Salad, Itallian Spahetti, Green Beans and Whole Potatoes, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream

Middle age is when a person starts thinking about resigning from the Jet set and joining the Set Set.

In one way at least, the man with eight children is better satisfied than the millionaire. The

One father I know has a young son that watches television so much that he can only say one word, "Shhh!"

Sound advice to all people over 40 is to keep the doors of your mind open and the doors to the refrigerator closed.

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The Rankin Thursday, F. Feb.

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Hamburgers, Potato Chips, Pork and Beans, Cheese Cake

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MONDAY

1/2 Pint Milk, Cold Cereal, Hot Cocoa, 1/2 Banana

TUESDAY

2 Pint Milk, Pancakes, Syrup, Butter, Sausage

WEDNESDAY

Pint Milk, Hot or Cold Cereal, Doughnut, Orange Juice

THURSDAY

12 Pint Milk, Cold Cereal, C namon Toast, Fresh Grapes

FRIDAY

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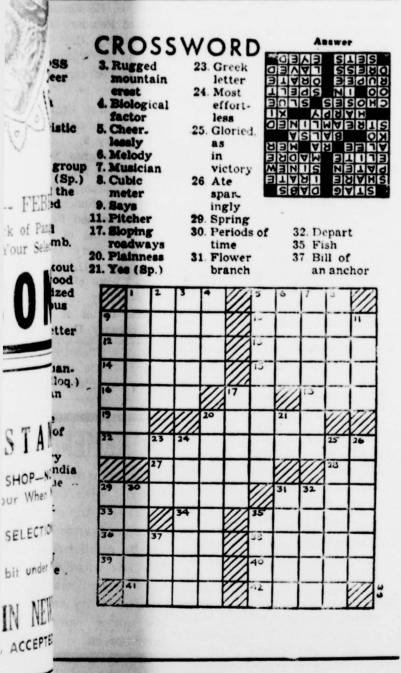
'ALENTINE SWEETHEART



MRS. DOYLE HOLDRIDGE

Holdridge has been epresent her chapter, Chi, as Sweetheart at Falentine Dance to be the Saturday night. Tidge has been active the Phi since 1960 and number of offices inof social chairman, , membership chairman, scrapbook chairman, city council representative, reporter, and ways and means chairman. Her hobbies include collecting and refinishing antiques, square dancing, golf and bridge.

She and her husband, who is an equipment operator for the Western Company, have one son, Doyle, a junior in Rankin High School.



Team Tying --

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ard and Walton Poage are expected to carry the banner. Poage is a former Madison Square Gan den champion and Howard is considered by many as one the top ropers. Expected from New Mexico are Jiles Lee a Troy Frost, also championsh contenders in roping events of this type.

Some four hours of first-class competition is expected with additional thrills for spectators in any jackpot contests that are likely to follow.

Cub Scouts --

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The Blue and Gold Banquet designates award time for the many activities undertaken in the Boy Scouting program, designed to help build a boy into a man. As a part of their work, the Rankin Scouts have several displays set up around town, the primary one being a poster-art display in the old Hogan Motor Co. building on Main Street.

Cubs and their parents are to be the honored guests at the banquet.

Church Group Plans Odessa Assembly

Local residents associated with the Fort Stockton congregation of Jehovah's witnesses are making preliminary plans to attend a 3day Christian conference in Odessa the week-end of March 7-9.

According to Frank Davis, presiding minister of the Fort Stockton congregation, the program will include lectures and demonstrations showing how the message of the Bible can help both young and old to cope with the problems of life in these critical times. Area ministers from 16 West Texas and Eastern New Mexico congregations will attend the conclave, which has as its theme, "Make Wise Use of the Remaining Time."

The assembly highlight will be on Sunday, March 9, at 3 p.m.,

Letter Asks Imfo on Rankin's "Tree"

ED: The following is a letter received recently from Solan 4-H Club, Roy, New Mexico, by the mayor of Rankin, who turned it over to Rankin Lions Club.

Dear Sir,

We are a small 4-H Club in Harding County with a big project for the year and thought maybe you could be of help to us.

Last Christmas season one of our members passed through your town and was quite taken by your lighted tree. It is our understanding that it is artificial, and as our community does not have one we thought perhaps you would tell us about yours. We would like to know how it is constructed, how would cost to have one similar to it.

Thanking you in advance wa

Sincerely Yours, Solano 4-H Club Jeri Kirksey, President Roy, New Mexico 87743

Rankin Seniors Join Area Students in Career Day at MHS

Senior students from Rankin High School will join others from Iraan and McCamey at an Annual Career and College Day activity at McCamey High School on Monday, February 17. The program will begin at 10:15 a.m. with an assembly in the high school's main auditorium. Following the assembly, the students will atttnd the career booths to be held this year in the junior high gymnasium. The career booths will be staffed with local and area people of the three school districts.

The college portion of the program will be held in the afternoon, beginning at 12:50 in the high school auditorium where the representatives of the various colleges will be introduced. Following the introductions, the students will attend sessions of three different colleges of their choice. The colleges which will be represented this year are as follows: Angelo State College, Odessa College, Mc Murry College, Ranger Junior College, Sul Ross State College, Howard County Junior College, James Connally Technical Institute, Howard Payne College, Texas A&M, and Lubbock Christian College.

During the day the students will have an opportunity to explore the various occupations and to become better informed on the educational requirements of each. Students will also become better acquainted with the colleges of the area.

Library Adds New Book Selections

Mrs. Ann Clark, librarian at the Rankin Library, released the titles of thirteen new books of fiction and historical novels added during January to the local collection.

Among these is the popular "A Horseman Riding By" and its sequel, "The Green Gauntlet", by R. F. Dilderfield.

Others include best sellers such as "Red Sky at Morning" by Bradford; "A World of Profit", by Auchinloss; "The Hurrican Years" byHawley; "The First Circle" by Solzhenitsyn; "Airport" by Hailey; and "A Small Town in Germany" by le Carre.

All of these volumns, plus the large number already on the shelves, are avaible to the public at no charge. Library hours are from 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.



when E. R. Brandt, district supervisor for Jehovah's witnesses, will give the Bible's answer to the timely question, "Law and Order — How and When?" Attention will be focused on important Bible prophecies in daily fulfillment and their meaning for genuine Christians and the world in general.

Blackshear Junior High School will be the location of the assembly. All sessions are free, no collections are taken and the public is coridally invited to attend at any time.



Mr. Archibald: "I'm afraid I can't hire you. We don't need much help right now." Boy: "I won't be much help."

