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RANKIN (79778), UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1971

VOTERS TO MARK BALLOTS NEXT TUESDAY ELECTION

old voters, man your

date, hopefully, a good
Texans at the polls will
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will be the only issue
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will be only two voting
in Upton County, one
house in Rankin for
in Precincts 1 and 2,
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and 4 voters. Polls are
8:00 a.m. and remain
7:00 p.m.

tion will be carried out
as any regular election
qualified, registered
mitted to cast ballots.
y registered 18-20 year

Devil Band to Spring Concert

High School's Red Devil
der the direction of Mr.
Shultz, will present a
concert Thursday, May
will be at 2:00 p.m. at
School Auditorium.

1 through 12, and the
public, are invited to at-
presentation.

County Club --

Public Invited to Saturday Night Social

Country Club this week
an invitation to the public
and an ice cream and cake
at the club house Satur-
ay 15. Time will be at 8:00
evening of entertainment
the eating and social

be looking for a good
and will have plenty of
with your friends and nei-
come on out and enjoy a
the social committee
said today.

AUCTION

on Saturday night, prior
entertainment, an auction
held at which a number
of golf equipment own-
the club will be sold. In
action, the public is invit-

Budget Cuts, Tax Raise in Prospect --

Loss in Tax Values Facing RISD

Rankin School Board met last Tuesday for their regular May session and handled a number of routine matters. However, one item, that of tax values, was not among what might be termed as routine situations facing the men on the Board.

Tentative figures placed before the group at the meeting indicated that the district faces the loss of some \$10 million in values in the next taxing year. These amounts have been determined by Thomas Y. Pickett and Company, the tax experts employed by the District.

With last year's tax base put at \$55,466,000, the new figure is down to \$45,446,000 with the big losses coming in oil property value located within the district.

Awright, now, Who has the Uniforms --

A search is on in Rankin for baseball uniforms for the 15-16 year old boys. There should be enough of these—for the Reds—to fully equip the team but a number are missing, having not been turned in from previous years.

Anyone having one of these suits is asked to PLEASE turn it in so that the bigger boys can play baseball this season. They should call either Jerry Barton or James Heffernan and someone will pick up the uniform.

an offer," said club president, Red Weatherbee.

Work on cleaning the club's swimming pool was to have began Wednesday and it will put into use for members and their families—if they like their swimming a bit on the chilled side—as soon as it can be refilled—possibly by this week-end.

Also opened for use this week was the club's new putting green. Although still some time away from being in good condition—as are all newly constructed greens, club members are invited to put a sharp hone on their putting touch at any time. Arrangements for lighting fixtures have been made and these will be installed shortly.

Knowing for some time that they were facing a loss in values for the coming year, the Board has been trimming their proposed operating budget for the 1971-1972 year and have arrived at a figure of \$663,646.00, down considerably from the \$734,187.00 total of the current year. It had been the feeling on the Board that this reduction in the operating budget would offset any losses in tax values.

However, when the final calculations came in from the tax experts, the loss was much greater than had been expected. To further offset the loss and to meet the proposed budget for the coming year, the Board, in their Tuesday meeting, tentatively set the tax rate for 1971-72 at \$1.25, up ten cents from the \$1.15 rate of the current year.

A hearing on the proposed budget has been scheduled for 8:00 p.m., June 8.

In other matters, the Board approved the salary for the head coach and athletic director for next year at \$12,500, up some \$1,000 from last year. The in-

Titworth Brothers Win Rankin Golfing

For the first time in a number of years—perhaps ever—a Rankin team has won their own Men's two-day partnership tournament. The fete was pulled off by the Titworth brothers, Lester and Dean, as they posted a total of 167 in the championship flight for play that ended last Sunday. They were 13 under par for the 54-hole tournament.

Other Rankin entries taking a portion of the fifteen winning (Continued to back page)

Scouts Say Thanks for Bulb Buyers

Rankin Cub Scouts this week extended their thanks and appreciation to all who bought light bulbs from them last week. They report a very successful sale and again point out that it is their profits from this sale that goes a long way toward financing the Cub Scout program in Rankin.

For those who may not have been contacted and who wish to purchase bulbs, these are available from West Texas Utilities in Rankin. Credit will go to the Cubs on these purchases.

crease also includes regular state increment raises that would have been made in any case.

Also approved was a program of priority projects to be completed before the next school term. Among these are classroom lighting at the high school, floor repair and refinishing for the gym, remodeling of the high school library, repainting of certain classrooms at junior high, repainting of trim on gym and band hall and other routine repairs as needed.

Giants Out Front in Little League Play

Hottest thing going in the Rankin Little League is the Giants. And with a 6-0 record, they are enjoying every minute of it.

For the past several seasons, the Giants have taken it on the chin from the other clubs in the League, but as things now stand, this may well be the "Year of the Giants" in local action.

Still in contention in second place is the Cardinals at 4-1-1 while the Yankees and Dodgers appear to have their work cut out for them with 1-5 marks.

However, as past seasons have shown, early standings do not always indicate eventual winners and a number of the boys are said to be showing improvement.

Rankinite is Tops in Iraan Rodeo

Getting off to a good start on Friday, Patty McFadden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McFadden of Rankin, held off stiff competition at the Iraan Junior Rodeo on Saturday to become the first girl in the history of the event to be named All-Round.

Miss McFadden, entered in the sub-junior age division, gathered up points in several events, winning her division as well as the over-all trophy. In all, she put five new trophies in her showcase.

And, it was ladies day in the senior division age group for Rankin, too. Diane Absher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Absher, was the top performer in that class.

Debbie Bloxom and Debbie Winters, from Rankin and Midkiff, were among other locals who had wins in the rodeo.

THE SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Pr., Editor

HAIL BALLS—

Last Saturday Rankin almost got clobbered— with some king-size hail. With just a bit more effort we could all be out trying to plug up leaky roofs and fixing shattered windows.

But, as it turned out, it was nothing more than a good topic of conversation and a grand opportunity for all the kids to get out and gather up a few of the keepers. I'd venture to say that half the refrigerators in Rankin still have some of the hail stashed away.

Ranking in size to bigger than golf balls but not quite baseball size, many old timers are saying that it was the largest size hail they have ever seen in Rankin. Truly, we may not have had quantity but there was nothing short about the quality of our hail.

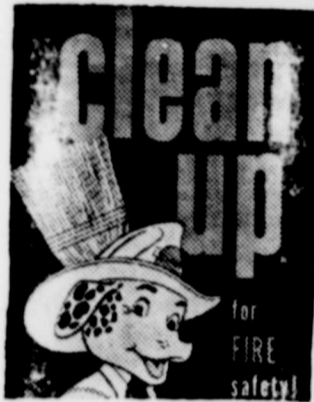
Not so lucky were some others.

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Thursday, May 13, 1971

A salesman was in the office on Monday and said the home of his parents—in Coleman, I believe it was—had holes in the roof big enough to stick your arm through. When it gets that rough, the fun and games are over.

VOTING TIME—

Next Tuesday, we're supposed
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Kim PEACHES	2 1/2 can 33¢	1-lb. pkg. Fireside VANILLA WAFERS	
100 Count PAPER PLATES	69¢	Quart Wagner FRUIT DRINK	
Quart Size Kraft's MIRACLE WHIP	59¢	303 Van Camp's PORK & BEANS	2 for
Libby's Vienna SAUSAGE	2 for 49¢	303 Deer Brand TOMATOES	2 for
26-oz. can Hi Vi DOG FOOD	2 for 33¢	Delsey 2-roll pack TOILET TISSUE	
303 Double Luck—Cut GREEN BEANS	2 for 29¢	22-oz. bottle Vel LIQUID SOAP	
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Beef ROAST	LB. 59¢
Gooch's FRANKS	LB. 59¢
Gooch's German Style SAUSAGE	LB. 69¢
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17-oz. can COMET CLEANER	
303 Libby's BLACKEYED PEAS	2 for
No. 1 tall Honey Boy PINK SALMON	
60-count Zee TABLE NAPKINS	2 for
Campbell's Vegetable-Beef SOUP	2 for
12-oz. can Kimbell's LUNCHEON MEAT	
12-oz. pkg. Nabisco SUGAR WAFERS	
20-oz. bottle LIBBY'S CATSUP	
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description as I see it.

In the first place, voters would have no say-so over those appointed to the commission. And another strike against it would be the pressure brought to bear on the commission to recommend always higher salaries to say nothing of their having no real power to regulate the ethics of elected officials.

State lawmakers do need an increase in salary but there ought to be a better way. An interesting side note of this amendment is a large advertisement in the Texas State Teachers Associations magazine, urging teachers "to support those who have supported you" or words to that effect. In plain English, we got you a raise, now get us one. A block vote by teachers might well put the measure over. It will be interesting.

I'll vote no.

Amendment No. 2 would permit the Legislature to propose constitutional amendments at any time, rather than at every two year session. Personally, I'd rather see an amendment prohibiting the Legislature meeting any

more often than once every ten years but I guess that wouldn't be much of a way to run a railroad.

I'll vote for this one—not that it's anything great but there is the possibility of needing an amendment to the constitution at any time rather than every two years.

No 3 has to do with welfare and, Buddy, that's a touchy subject. I, for one, get pretty tired of those in favor of big welfare programs always talking about kids and old folks starving to death. It may be that we have had some who did just that but it's odd that you never hear of any cases when the lack of food being available was the cause. We have had neglect by parents of some children, I'm sure and some old people may have met with this fate but again, I would expect that there were extenuating circumstances — not simply because they couldn't get any food. They want to raise the ceiling on welfare. We just raised it not too long ago. And you can bet that they will be back be-

fore long wanting to raise it again.

But, I will vote for this one too, not because I'm sold on the arguments for it but because—like most of us—I don't want to take the chance that an elderly person or a child might actually be in need and there would be no money available.

But I think we ought to serve notice on our lawmakers that we don't want to see anyone driving up to the welfare office in fancy automobiles to make application and get a hand-out.

No. 4, called the Clean Water Amendment, is very simple. It's a tax increase. If you think you want to help dig up money to pay off \$100, plus interest, just so the folk in big towns can play around with sewer water treatment, then vote for it.

After the lick they have just hit us from Austin, I'm not in the mood.

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Brownie Troop 136

Fly-Up on May 3

Brownie Troop No. 136 held their fly-up on Monday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at the Girl Scout Hut. Five girls flew up from Brownies to Juniors. They were Ronda Shankle, Jennifer Jones, Paige McMullan, Karrie and Kim Ratliff. Kim Rose, another to fly-up was absent due to illness in her family.

Members of the Junior Troop 195 were present to help them fly-up. Those who helped included Cindy Wollman, Nisa Hurst, Karen Johnson, Nina Boyce, Phyllis Sobotik, Teresa Plagens, Carolyn Evans, Judy Loftin and Tammy Wilkerson. Cindy Wollman registered the guests and Vicki Autery welcomed the girls into Junior Girl Scouts.

Guests were Mrs. W. R. Sobotik, Mrs. Rusty Ratliff, Mrs. Leslie McMullan, Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. Ronald Shankle and Lisa Copeland, and troop leaders Mrs. M. J. Clark and Mrs. W. D. Wollman. Leaders of the Brownie Troop are Mrs. Ratliff and Miss Jo Ann Clark.

Refreshments were served to both troops.

Among other recent Girl Scout activities that have been held:

BROWNIE TROOP MOTHER'S TEA

Brownie Troop 136 held their Mother's Tea on Friday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the Girl Scout Hut. Refreshments were furnished by Mrs. M. J. Clark and Jo Ann Clark.

Those present were Phyllis West, Ronda Shankle, Sharon Humphries, Gwen Johnson, and Marie Black. Guests were Mrs. Ronald Shankle, Mrs. D. Humphries, Mrs. Phillip West, Christi West, Mrs. Roy Johnson, and Mrs. Clark and Jo Ann, who is the leader.

BROWNIE TROOP SLUMBER PARTY

Brownie Troop 136 had a slumber party on Friday, May 7 at the Girl Scout Hut starting at 7:30 p.m. and lasting until 8:30 a.m. the next morning. Everyone brought snacks for during the night and supper was made later. They had hot dogs, Cokes, potato chips, chili and cookies. Pop corn was made at various times in the night, games were played and ghost stories were told by all.

Those present were Gina Edge, Phyllis West, Sharon Humphries, Gwen Johnson, Marie Black, Jennifer Jones, Ronda Shankle, Karrie Ratliff, Kim Ratliff and Paige McMullan. Jo Ann Clark, leader, and Mrs. M. J. Clark, leader of the Junior Troop, were present.

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J O H N S O N ' S

Reflections . . .

by Ann Richardson

Life is a process of finding out who we are and what we may become. The Bible tells us: "A wise person will listen and take in more instruction." To live we must continue to grow, to expand, to reach outward. No one can expect to plant a seed and find it full grown overnight! It needs proper soil and nourishment to achieve maturity and beauty, so does life.

If we suffer misfortune, we learn to overcome it by enduring it—even deep hurt—even great loss. Every heart-rending pain we endure makes us just that much stronger.

When we reach out in compassion to our fellow human beings, when we offer a helping hand to those in need, we are gaining valuable knowledge about ourselves because what we do in this life is often determined by a margin between right and wrong; we learn that having the right to do something does not necessarily mean it is right to do it.

The real meaning of life should be seen clearly. Opinions should never be warped by envy. We should always make sure of all things and then hold fast to what is right.

People who face life with a serene inner beauty are the ones who have the ability to use themselves fully, to become everything they are capable of being.

Life has its boundaries of duty and we cannot deny it. We will find that in order to keep on learning and growing, we will have to keep on risking failure all our lives. We must learn to live our lives to the fullest, being ready to forgive those who hurt us and to help those who need us.

I do not profess to know all

there is to know about life. I do know that being alive is an almost unbearable pleasure. I feel that if a person will embrace life he will live a very enriching life but if he chooses to shun life, he will only exist.

One of the greatest tragedies of life is what dies inside a person while he still lives! Which do you choose? To exist or to live a full, rich life—it is really your choice.

Midkiff 4-H'ers in Recent Meeting

The Midkiff 4-H Club met recently at the County Club House at Midkiff.

Six girls enrolled in the clothing project with Mrs. Gene Braden as leader. Present were seven members, two leaders and Mrs. Jalyn Burkett, agent.

The program, "Parliamentary Procedure", was presented by Mrs. Burkett. Refreshments were enjoyed by all.

Two Teachers to Summer Program

Christine Day and Kay Shultz, both on the teaching staff of the Rankin Elementary School, have been selected as participants in a three-week summer program sponsored by the Education Professions Development Act and the West Texas Education Service center.

They will be working in a group of 30 selected teachers from West Texas Education Service Center area whose purpose is to learn better ways to deal with learning disabilities and to become better qualified as a resource person for others in the school system.

BRIDES BOOKS, Gold and Silver ink with pens at the Rankin News.



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



KOUNTY AGENT'S KORNER



Right now it looks like the pecan nut casebearer will not be a big problem this year. However, it would not be a bad idea to put on a cover spray about the 14th of May. Also, put a little zinc in your spray at the same time.

The bands that have been put on the trees have not caught any paupa of the casebearer, but they could come out at a later date from last year. If this happens

you will be notified either by paper or a letter from this office.

Since it is awful dry this spring a good deep watering every 14 days is a must. July and August are the two months that size and filling take place in pecans and these two months the trees must have plenty of water.

The pecan set is good this year and a little care will produce quality nuts.

Piano Pupils to be in Sunday Recital

Mrs. Sam Holmes will present her students in a piano recital, Sunday, May 16 at 3 p.m. at the Baptist Church.

Those participating will include Vicki Templeton, Phyllis West, Diann Autery, Scott Russom, Kim Ratliff, Karrie Ratliff,

The Rankin (Thursday, May)

Paige McMullan, zel, Stacy Lester, Midkiff, Teresa K, Kristi Russom, Sarah Barrett, Joyce Autery and The public is to attend.



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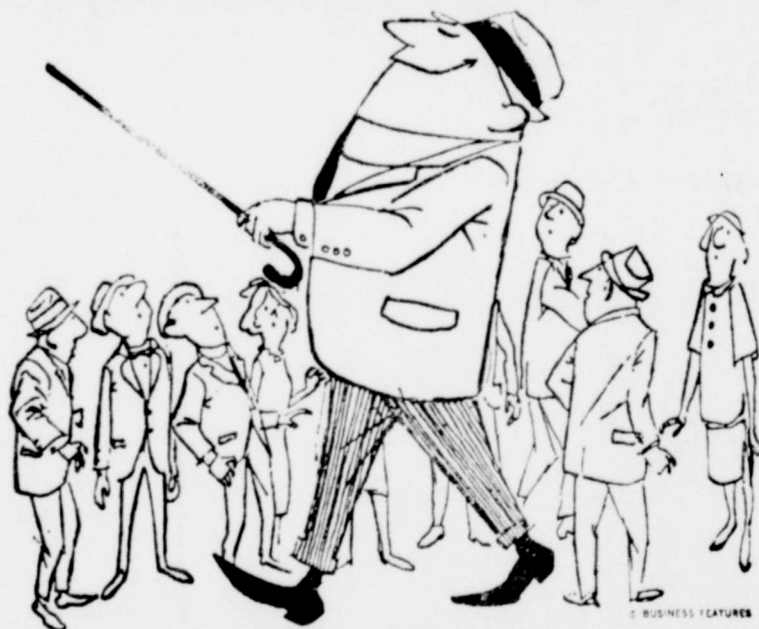
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RANKIN, TEXAS

REPORT

from Austin

by
GEORGE BAKER
Representative, 66th District
Address: Ft. Stockton

voters have an opportunity
to assume a responsibility on May
to decide four matters affect-

ing state government. Amendments to the constitution affect four matters:

1. Creation of a state Commission to establish standards of ethics and recommend legislative compensation. 2. Permitting the submission of constitutional amendments by any session of the legislature; 3. To remove ceilings on three areas of public welfare and impose a ceiling in the area of aid to dependent children; and 4. Authorizing the state to issue bonds to provide loan funds to local government units to improve water quality.

In previous reports I presented

explanations of the first and 4th propositions. Today the second and third will be discussed.

No. 2 is quite simple, providing merely that amendments may be submitted by any session of the legislature. At present they can be submitted to voters only by passage during regular sessions. The sponsors of the proposed change point to the fact that regular sessions are held only once each two years and that emergencies arise between these periods which sometimes need emergency attention.

No. 3 has wider consequences, since it deals with the difficult

subject of welfare support ceilings. Presently Texas has an \$80 million ceiling for all types of welfare support so far as the state's share is involved.

Greatly increased costs of medical care for the elderly, (including nursing home cases) have created a severe problem for the state's needy aged, as well as the disabled and the blind. It is felt by supporters that they must be provided for in a growing state which has concern for those unable to care for themselves.

The fast-growing category of aid to dependent children is considered another matter. It has been burdened by several court

rulings, and is the area of welfare most often criticized. Humane people cannot permit children to starve, regardless of the circumstances of their birth or
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Rebekah Lodge has Thursday Meeting

Rankin Rebekah Lodge met on Thursday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. with Noble Grand Fern Kosel and Vice Grand, Minnie Gray, presiding.

Lodge Deputy, Travis Cothrum held a School of Instruction on "Duties of the Officers."

A letter was received and read from the Souverign Grand Master, Brother Patterson, of Philadelphia, Pa. asking all lodges to have a money project, the proceeds to be sent to the Eye Bank, Visual Research Program, which the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of the World sponsor.

Nine members were present.

SCHOOL MENU

MAY 17-21

BREAKFAST

MONDAY

Buttered Toast, Cereal, Orange Juice, Apricots

TUESDAY

Hot Biscuits, Sausage, Hash Brown Potatoes, Honey, Orange Juice

WEDNESDAY

Hot Biscuits, Fried Ham, Jelly Apple Sauce

THURSDAY

Cinnamon Toast, Rice or Oatmeal, Grape Juice, Apples

FRIDAY

Buttered Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Honey, Juice

Fresh Milk and Butter served with each meal.

LUNCH

MONDAY

Cabbage and Carrot Salad, Fish Sticks, Tarter Sauce, Buttered Corn, Spinach, Corn Bread, Light Bread, Peanut Butter Cookies, Apples

TUESDAY

Tossed Salad, Hamburger Steak, Cream Gravy, French Fries, Hot Light Bread, Chocolate Pie

WEDNESDAY

Pickles and Onions, Barbecue on a Bun, Pinto Beans, Sliced Peaches or Apple Sauce

THURSDAY

Fried Chicken, Cream Gravy, Potato Salad, English Peas, Hot Light Bread, Banana Pudding

FRIDAY

Hamburgers, Potato Chips, Slice of Cheese, Ice Cream

Fresh Milk and Butter served with each meal.

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and

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REPORT

from Austin

by

GEORGE BAKER

Representative, 66th District
Home Address: Ft. Stockton

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under which they live. The problem is keeping the ceiling on the cost, and in discouraging abuses of the system. The ceiling was therefore felt by the majority of legislators to be a necessity, resulting in the placing of a \$55 million limitation on this phase of the program. It presently does not run nearly that high, and the limit imposed would carry the state's future growth for some time—hopefully forever.

As stated previously in this newsletter—no one likes the welfare situation in Texas. Those receiving public assistance think it much too little, as well as many people concerned with their problems. Some people oppose all types of welfare, regardless of the circumstances. The vast middle sector of Texans with whom I discuss this vexatious problem agree, however, that we in Texas have a responsibility to those unable to provide their own support, and must see that no human in Texas starves or lacks for basic essentials of life.

Passage of Amendment No. 3 is urged by many who regret that it is needed, and agree that it is a far from perfect system, but who see no alternative at this time.

Eventual federal responsibility for the entire program is predicted. That might save headaches for the state budget makers by shifting the responsibility, but the problem we shall have for the foreseeable future.

This is not intended as a suggestion to voters of the 66th district to vote one way or the other—but to help them know a little bit more about the amendments and what they propose to do.

Friday marked the end of a long and busy week. It's major

O.E.S. Officer Feted at Tea

Mrs. Martha Word, Grand Matron of Rankin Chapter 176, District 5, Section 2, Grand Chapter of Texas OES, was honored with a Sunday Tea at the home of Mrs. Roy Bell from 3 to 5 p.m. by the Rankin OES Chapter membership. Miss Paula Haynes of Rankin played the piano during the afternoon.

Among guests attending were Mrs. John D. Wilson, Mrs. Bob Whisman and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. McCann, from Clara Mills OES Chapter 1032 of Midkiff;

Mrs. Lena Andrews, Mrs. Hal Holmes, Mrs. Harvey Jacobsen, and Mrs. Gertrude Gibbs, of Mc Camey Chapter No. 818;

Mrs. Alla Pool, Mrs. F. E. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Adams, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Poehler, of Big Lake Chapter No. 752;

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bell, Mrs. Will Nix, Mrs. Ralph Daugherty,

activity in the house was passage of the Senate version of the tax bill, which no one liked but many felt was a better solution to the problem of financing state government than any likely compromises which would come out of the conference committee. No one enjoys paying taxes, but all seem to want to share in the many programs of government. It then becomes a problem to choose sources of revenue with greatest fairness and with required revenue potential.

Major feature of difference in the Senate and house bills was removal by the Senate of the jet fuel tax, shell and gravel tax, admissions and hotel occupancy; and additions of 2c to the motor fuel tax, 3c increase in cigarettes, increase in beer tax to \$6 per barrel, and a hike in the franchise tax.

The alternative to the package approved appears to most of us to be an income tax and a Special Session. It was suggested by its proponents as a corporation profits tax, but in all but two states now imposing a tax on corporate profits they also levy personal income taxes. To impose one is almost certain to bring on both. The vast majority of expressions I have had indicate preference for anything ahead of income taxes.

Mrs. Pat Yocham, Mrs. Dwayne Lindsey, Mrs. Joe Loftin, Mrs. Clint Shaw, Mrs. Blanche Mitchell, Mrs. Nolan G. Adams, Miss Mary Ann Workman, Mrs. Al Turner, and the honoree, Mrs. World, all of the Rankin Chapter.

Basin Society Plans Sunday Workshop

The Permian Basin Genealogical Society, Inc. has scheduled a "Working Workshop" to be held on Sunday, May 16 from 1 until 6 p.m. at Ector County Library, 622 North Lee, Odessa. A lunch counter will be available before the workshop begins and during breaks.

No registration fee is required. All donations to the Society are tax deductible. Special classes will be held for beginners and assistance available.

Bill Waldroop to Receive Degree

Among students who will receive degrees Monday, May 17 in graduation exercises from the University of Texas at Arlington is William Alan Waldroop, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Waldroop of Andrews.

Bill graduated from Rankin High School in 1959. He attended Texas Tech and the University of Texas at Arlington following high school, and then worked in Nigeria with Lofland Brothers Drilling Company on an off-shore rig for two and one-half years.

Upon returning to the States in October, 1969, he decided to finish his college work and was granted a leave of absence and is now receiving a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

While he was overseas, he met Miss Benny Iverson from Denmark. They were married in London before he returned to the States.

He is scheduled to leave June 6 to return to Nigeria as a Rig Engineer with Lofland Brothers.

New Officers in for Omicron Tau Chptr.

Omicron Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Linda Wilhelm April 10 and installed new officers. These included:

Kay Shultz, president; Lynda Helmers, vice-president, Janice Hyatt, recording secretary; Jean Binkley, corresponding secretary; Karen Bains, treasurer; and Ann Kelley, extension officer.

In the business meeting that followed, members discussed and voted on the recipient of their college scholarship. It was decided to give half the scholarship in the fall and half in the spring semester.

Plans were made for summer activities and for the Hawaiian party that will end the year socially.

Retiring president Janice Hyatt

presented the chapter with a tablecloth, and was presented with a gavel pin guard.

All the new committee chairmen were presented along with their committees.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments served during which time Mary Lou Midkiff read palms as the program.

Merwin - Reese

Vows read Sunday

Mrs. Barbara Merwin of Rankin and Mr. Wm. H. Reese, Jr. of Iraan, were married in a double ring ceremony Saturday, May 8, at 2 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rankin before Pastor Donald V. Hafemann of Midland.

Attending the bride were her daughters, Cathy, Mindy and Beverly Merwin. The groom's attendants were his sons, Bill and Bob Reese.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stanley of Rankin. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Reese, Sr. of San Angelo.

A reception was held at the church with Mrs. Don Deel acting as hostess.

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ing as hostess.

After a short wedding couple will reside at home with their children at 11th and 12th in Rankin.

Library Memorials

Recent memorials to the Rankin Public Library include the following:

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—Hebrews 10:23-25

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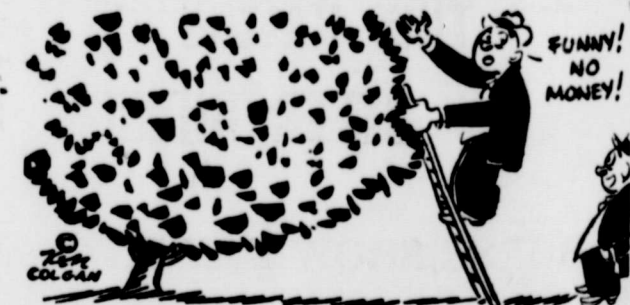
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MISS VICKI OATES

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Oates of Brady have announced the engagement of their daughter, Vickie, to Richard Michael Sproul, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sproul of Rankin.

Miss Oates and her fiancé are currently attending Angelo State University. No date has been set for the wedding.

and service.

Mr. Bill J. Hood, former school superintendent of Rankin, and presently serving in that capacity at Snyder Public Schools, was guest speaker for the occasion. He was presented an honorary membership of the NHS by the local organization.

It was under Mr. Hood's leadership and guidance, while serving as high school principal in Rankin, 1958-1963, that the school was granted its first National Honor Society Chapter in 1959.

Those inducted into the Society included Junior Haynes, Fran Hooper, Sherri Shook, Mark Ward Lavinda Holcombe, Rene Sproul,

Connie Varnadore, Debbie Bloxom, Audrey Braden, Debbie Cole, Billy Eggemeyer,

Kathy Helms, Lynn Jackson, Jeffrie Lee, Audrey McFadden and Nita Page.

Active members include Janie Barrett, Emmajane Brandt, Faye

Services Held for Former Rankinite,

Funeral services were held in Gainsville, Monday, May 10 at the First Methodist Church for former Rankinite, Mrs. Joe (Lucy) Simpson. Burial was in the Gainsville Cemetery.

Among those attending services from Rankin were Mr. and Mrs. J. Lane, Dr. and Mrs. James D. Gossett and L. M. Myers.

The Simpsons lived in Rankin for some fifteen years prior to his retirement as superintendent of the local Halliburton installation about three years ago. Mrs. Simpson was active in a number of civic organizations during their stay here as well as in school and church work.

Shortly after leaving Rankin, she had developed heart trouble and had been in poor health for

CARD OF THANKS

I WOULD LIKE to express my gratitude to friends and the Rankin Fire Department for helping me when I had my frightful experience with our pickup. It is wonderful to know how fast they can come when someone needs them.

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Sue Jackson, Stephanie Lee, Jimmy McBee, Bill Routh, Jack Campbell, Paula Loftin, Bobbie Weaver and Marilyn Workman.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. H. W. Batesll, Ft. Stockton, admitted May 11.

David Nance, Rankin, admitted April 11.

Mrs. James Lee, Crane, admitted May 12.

Frank Herrington, Rankin, admitted May 10.

Baker McGilvray, Sheffield, admitted May 8.

Albert Rodriguez, Rankin, admitted May 6, dismissed May 10.

Mrs. Lee Henry, Rankin, admitted May 5, dismissed May 6.

Mrs. D. J. Rose, Rankin, admitted May 2, dismissed May 11.

Rick Hurst, Rankin, admitted May 1.

Mrs. W. E. Berry, McCamey, admitted May 1, dismissed May 8.

the past several months. However, she had recently been thru an operation at a Houston hospital and was thought to be recovering. At the time of her death, she was in a Gainsville hospital under treatment for a virus illness.

Mrs. Bob Halford, Rankin, admitted April 29, dismissed May 11.

Mrs. R. V. Meinzer, McCamey, admitted April 27.

Mrs. J. M. Peoples, Crane, admitted April 20, dismissed May 11.

Mary Brown, Crane, admitted April 19, dismissed May 7.

Public Notice

Information received by Rankin Schools this week indicates that a new state law, just signed into effect by the Governor, will now require that any pupil may not be admitted to elementary or secondary schools (through high school) unless they have been immunized against diphtheria, rubella, rubella, tetanus, poliomyelitis and smallpox, with certain exceptions.

Parents who will have pupils enrolled in the Rankin Public Schools next school term should take note of the above new immunization State law and see to it that their children have these inoculations before school begins next August 23.

Are You Ready for the Second Coming of Jesus?

According to the Scripture, Jesus Christ is coming to earth again. Much could be said about this. To say the least, it will be a time of rejoicing only for those who know Him as "Lord". God has given Him the name, "Lord". Have you confessed Him as "Lord"?

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(Phil. 2:9-11)

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Society has Program

ates Chapter of the Society, under the of Mr. Roy Johnson, annual induction ceremony, high school auditorium, May 4. Fourteen members inducted sixteen into the organiza-

ts for membership Honor Society in- stipulation that the of either sophomore, or classification, be Rankin High School complete semester, and over-all grade aver- above. Once the met these scholastic their name is sub- council of faculty rate them on such character, leadership



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