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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1971

## JUDGES REPORT

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Allen Moore.

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our Sheriff and Tax Assessor-  
Collector, had only a Chief De-  
puty, Edith Windham, and an As-  
sistant Deputy, Pat Wrinkle, in  
his office and hired an extra  
clerk at times during the year in  
the amount of \$1,262.13. It was  
very plain that it was going to  
take more help, machines and  
supplies to take care of this ad-  
ditional work load. Mr. Eckols  
approached the Commissioners'  
Court to enter into contract with  
Ad Valorem Records of Houston,  
Texas, to do our tax work on  
computers at \$0.20 per tax line  
and they furnish all the supplies.  
The estimated cost was \$3,700.00  
for that year (the actual cost was  
\$8,577.16). This meant every tax-  
able item had to be abstracted  
and numbered separately. No  
lumping together of diverse prop-  
erties, sections of land, leases,  
wells, royalties, overrides, etc.  
that clogged our rolls; all had to  
be broken down to single items—  
a truly tremendous undertaking  
with as many taxable items that  
had to be dealt with. The Com-  
missioners' Court granted Mr.  
Eckols' request, and by 1969 the  
work was completed. It was so  
accepted by the major oil com-  
panies that they revised their sys-  
tem of holdings in Upton County  
to match our system. Taxing of-  
ficials from Coleman, Midland,  
Pecos, Andrews and many other  
counties visited this office in or-  
der to set up their systems in a  
like manner. It is one of the most  
efficient tax offices in the state  
of Texas. Mr. Eckols still has  
only one chief deputy, one assis-  
tant deputy and additional extra  
hire of \$1,699.60 for 1970. Due to  
additional lines added to our tax  
roll, the payment to Ad Valorem  
Records was \$9,071.24 for 1970.  
The Hospital Districts and Upton  
County share this cost of opera-  
tions as follows: Upton County—  
\$3,795.51; McCamey Hospital Dis-  
trict, \$2,666.11; and the Rankin  
Hospital District, \$2,609.62.

In addition to the tax rolls, I  
would like to bring to your at-  
tention the other various taxes  
that are also collected by this  
office. To better familiarize you  
with these, listed below are the  
tax items and the amount of  
county and state taxes collected  
from July 1, 1970 through June  
30, 1971.

State Tax	\$193,133.95
County Tax	505,201.45
McCamey Hospital	102,823.72
Rankin Hospital	97,542.25
Delinquents	13,089.28
State Vehicle License	56,109.21
County Vehicle Lic.	107,766.39
State Motor Veh. Tax	25,807.16
County Commission	936.01
County Liquor License	372.10
State Beer License	462.00

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## As Will Three-Quarters of Rankin --

# Devils Journey to Stanton Friday

Making it two in a row last  
Friday over the Wink Wildcats,  
the Rankin Red Devils will again  
step out of their league and into  
Class AA when they make the  
road trip Friday night to test  
the Stanton Buffalos. This will be  
their second time in the current  
season to try on a AA opponent,  
the other having been the Mc-  
Camey Badgers.

Last Friday night, before a  
large homecoming crowd, the Red  
Devils were rather business-like  
as they dubbed the Wink squad

## Inspection Station to Re-Open Oct. 4th

Notice was given this week that  
Rankin's one and only car inspec-  
tion station, Hales Garage, will  
reopen October 4. Area residents  
have had to do considerable scur-  
rying about over the countryside  
to get their vehicles inspected  
since the garage closed last Aug-  
ust when Charlie Hale underwent  
a back operation.

In announcing his reopening,  
Hale pointed out that he would be  
doing only inspections and very  
light automotive repair work at  
this time. He is still under doc-  
tor's orders to refrain from any  
heavy duty type activity.

26-0. In times past, Wink has  
spoiled the high hopes of a num-  
ber of good Rankin ball teams.

A highlight of the evening was  
the naming of Miss Connie Var-  
nadore as Homecoming Queen of  
1971. She is the daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. Billy Mac Varnadore of  
Rankin and a senior in RHS.

Rankin and Stanton have met  
only three times previously in of-  
ficial games but have scrimmag-  
ed a number of times. Rankin  
has won all three games—last  
year's being a rather desperate  
effort as the fired-up Buffalos al-

## Dog Shots to be Given on Saturday

Dr. Tommy Elrod, an Odessa  
Veterinarian, will be in Rankin  
Saturday, October 2, to give dogs  
their rabies-distemper shots. The  
action will take place at the City  
Hall beginning at 9:00 a.m. and  
lasting until all work is completed.  
The customary fee is charged for  
these shots.

Dr. Elrod has been making an  
annual trip to Rankin for the past  
number of years. As a possible  
result, there has never been an  
outbreak of rabies among the  
dog population of Rankin.

most upset the then unbeaten  
Devils. Friday night's encounter is  
expected to be much the same  
type game as Stanton, winless in  
going on three seasons, will see  
a prime opportunity to break in-  
to the win column against the  
much smaller Rankin team.

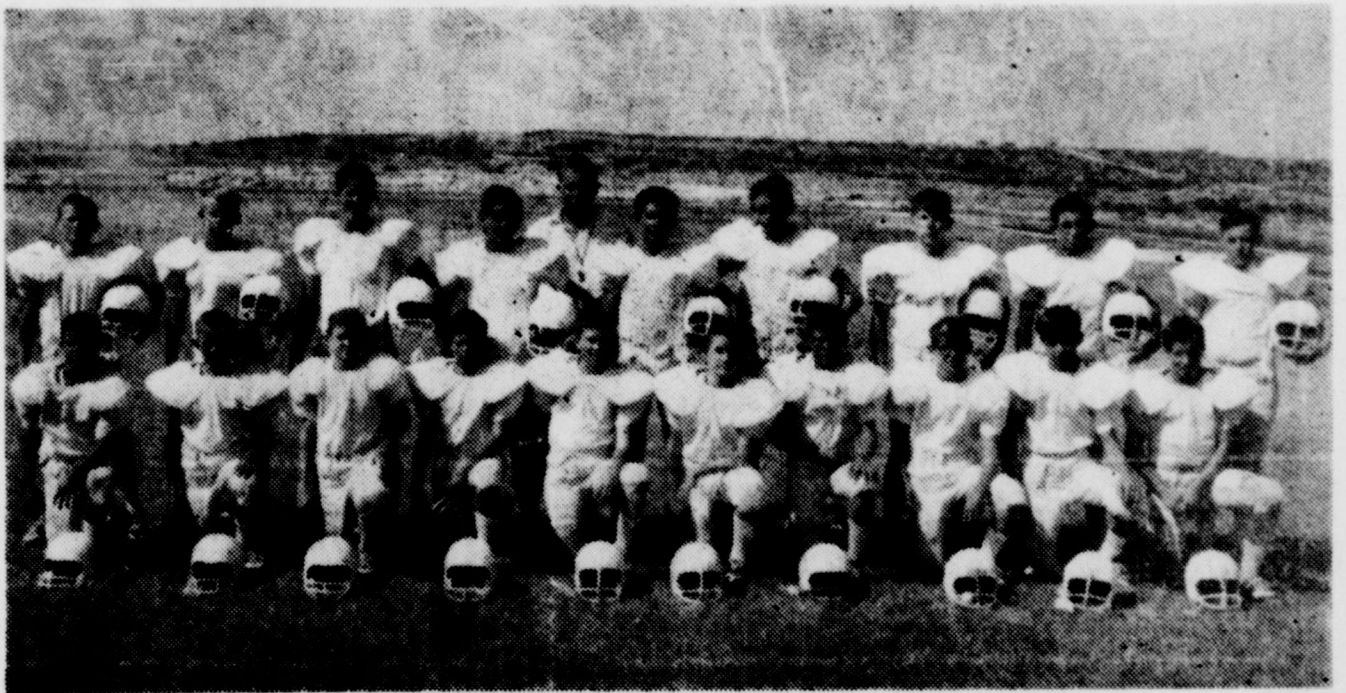
In the Wink game, played on  
a soggy field, the small Rankin  
players took a pretty good pound-  
ing from the larger Wink squad  
and several Red Devils were re-  
tired to the sidelines with slightly  
more than just minor aches and  
pains. Some have been making  
trips to the doctor this week for  
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## Three Ball Games on Tap Thursday

Rankin football fans will get in  
on a good thing this week when  
three games are played on the  
local gridiron beginning at 4:30 p.  
m. Thursday. In all three games,  
7th Grade, 8th Grade and B Team,  
the opponent will be Stanton.

This will mark the first home  
games for the Rankin teams and  
the public is invited to attend at  
no admission charge. Concession  
stands will be in operation and  
some four or five hours of foot-  
ball will be played.

## RJHS 8th Grade Footballers



With twenty-one boys partici-  
pating, members of the 8th Grade  
Junior High football squad lined  
up for their official photo. They  
are, front row, left to right:

Daymon Lindsey, Russell Holub,  
Cris Mathews, Carl Richardson,  
Owen Yocham, Hugh Jackson,  
Jimmy Martinez, Jimmy Kolb,  
Mark Hughes and Tony Peters;

Back row: Tommy Johnson,

Ricky Lee, Donny Cole, Gehrig  
Feuge, David Turner, Randy  
Johnson, Bryan Henry, Bill Tay-  
lor, Gary McSpadden and Coach  
Roger Goodwin. Absent on picture  
taking day were Danny Mitchell  
and Kirby Shipp.

Thus far in the season the 8th  
Graders have been on the short  
end of the two games they have  
played, having lost to Iraan and

Wink. Thursday they will host the  
Stanton 8th Graders.

In commenting on his team,  
Coach Goodwin said that he was  
never happy to see his boys lose  
but that he did feel that improve-  
ments were being made.

"The two games we lost could  
have easily been turned around.  
We just made mistakes at the  
wrong time and they did us in,"  
he noted.

# THE SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

## REPORTING—

With the topic of the day generally being concerned with football, I have not had any great deal of comment on the series of reports currently being published in the News and compiled by County Judge Allen Moore. However, I'm sure they are being read by a goodly number of folk and it is easy to see that the Judge has spent a good bit of time in getting all his facts and figures together to report to the taxpayers.

I would certainly commend him for this because, whether people take the time to read and consider them or not, I think these reports—or any report—on the financial dealings of public organizations are most important. When no reports are made, it's not long before one begins to hear rumors and shortly after that these rum-

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ors have a way of becoming accepted fact.

When that happens, it's bad for the public confidence in the institution—for the rumors seldom if ever have any basis of fact—and the confidence in all those  
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The Lonely Heart



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Harmel VIENNA SAUSAGE	— 2 for	49¢
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King Size Ivory LIQUID SOAP		79¢
24-oz. can Austex BEEF STEW		79¢
303 can Sweep Stake Mackerel		29¢
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8-oz. Hunt's Regular TOMATO SAUCE	2 for	29¢

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# BOGGS GROCERY AND MARKET

WE GIVE GOLD BOND STAMPS

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this method but I seriously doubt that service to the individual in the precinct would be as good as it now is. Still, the idea of trying to find ways to save money — any idea—is worth a look into and it's good that the effort is being made.

I would, on one other point, be somewhat in disagreement with the Judge and that has to do with the reasons for the increased cost of operations in the Road & Bridge Fund. The Judge pretty well puts the monkey on the Commissioners' back and I don't think it all belongs there. An example of increased costs of operations can be found in recent Rankin School Budgets. In 1966 they had a figure in the area of \$560,008; in the year just ended for them, they had a budget figure of \$734,187—with about the same number of kids in school. Operational costs have jumped at tremendous rates in the past few years.

Another item that has considerable bearing on the cost has to do with public demand. It's not too often that a Commissioner goes looking for a place to spend money. There's usually a pretty fair sized line of citizens wanting this or that little project attended to; put them all together and it runs up.

There are a couple of solutions to this particular side. One would be for the public to stop demanding so much service—which is not likely to come about. The other solution would be for the Commissioner to say "no" to these requests which might save some money but it wouldn't mean too much to him personally since he would probably be out of a job comes next election time.

And I don't know, maybe that's the way it's supposed to work in our form of government. Any official, be he Commissioner or what—is supposed to represent the wishes of the people who elect him to office. The office is not his to do with as he pleases and no doubt—in the case of Upton Commissioners—they somehow wish theirs was just a simple little easy job in which no voter ever came asking for this or that. It's not the case.

It's a right tough little problem to save any money in operating something like the county. And when you consider the pulls and strains on the county tax dollar, it's not quite as hard to understand why Federal affairs are in such a mess.

When the people demand less, then perhaps governing bodies

### Seniors to Meet

Senior Citizens Club or Golden Ages Club will meet Monday, October 4, at 7:30 p.m. at Rankin Park Building.

"If you belong in this group, please come and bring dominoes, cards, dice, etc.," said a spokesman today.

Further details may be obtained from either Mr. R. L. Bell or Mr. Fred Welling.

can spend less. But as for our county tax dollar, I think it is one of the better spread out in service to people that can be found.

### ORDER TIME—

It might be well to again jog everyone's memory about ordering pecan trees. Dub Day says

to get in touch with him not later than October 20 if you're interested and that's not long off.

Most of the trees put out over past years are doing real well—my own being an exception—and many are beginning to show up around the homes. If you don't have a pecan tree, get one. You will love doing business with Western—er, Dub Day, that is.

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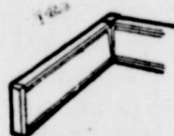


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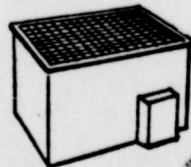
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## Judge's Report --

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State Applications for Title .....	321.25
County Applications for Title .....	159.50
Miscellaneous, etc. fines for other counties .....	1,122.39
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$1,105,568.63</b>

Also, all the work for the Sheriff's Office, such as incoming warrants, jury notices, teletype machine, two-way radio, etc. is handled by this office. They are now planning data processing for all the new voter registration certificates to be issued for this next year.

The County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office, in looking ahead into the future when preparing the tax receipts for Upton County, left four separate boxes open on your tax statement. One would be for the McCamey Independent School District Taxes, one for the City of McCamey Taxes, one for the Rankin Independent School District Taxes and one for the taxes of the City of Rankin. This was done in the event that if any of these taxing bodies wanted to contract with Upton County to participate, all they would have to do is pay their pro rata share of the above expense. You, the taxpayer, then would receive only one tax statement for your entire taxes. The school districts and cities would have to change their collection date from September 1st to October 1st. Costs of preparing tax rolls, supplies, etc. for these taxing bodies would be eliminated except for their pro rata share as outlined in the amount above mentioned. These have been truly forward, progressive moves taken by this tax office to give the taxpayers of our community a more efficient, accurate service and at a savings to our community.

I think that it might be appropriate at this time to point out that the salary of the Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector is \$8,740.00 per year—\$8,500 per year salary and \$240 per year ordered by the State under the Certificate of Title Law. No salary increases were set up in the budget for 1972 for this office or any other county elective offices and employees.

On January 1, 1951, the salary for this office, as well as the other elective county offices, was set at \$6,750 per year. Since that time over twenty years ago, the increase of salaries has come to nearly 26% — an average of a fraction over 1% a year for these twenty-two years counting 1972.

I would like for you to compare the salary of the Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector with the Tax Administrator of either of the two school districts in Upton County. It is my understanding that the Tax Administrator of the McCamey Independent School District receives a salary of \$10,476 a year at the present and is budgeted to be increased to \$10,896 for 1972. The Tax Administrator of the Rankin Independent School District receives \$11,959.00 per year, and their budget shows his salary is to be \$12,621 per year. This contrast in given in no way to reflect or minimize the job that the Tax Administrators do. I think their trustees are cognizant of the times and the

administrators' work and have set their salaries accordingly. I merely wanted to point out the responsibilities of our County Tax Assessor-Collector, and as Sheriff and Jailer, he is subject to duty twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. This is near a comparison that I can give with existing offices.

I think it important to note that Upton County is one of the forty-five remaining counties in Texas that has not divided the Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector's Office into two separate and distinct offices, such as our two neighboring counties, Reagan and Pecos. By having a person experienced both in administration and law enforcement, this county has been able to keep these two offices consolidated and over a period of the last fourteen years has saved this county well over \$100,000 in additional expenses that would have been the cost by severing these two offices.

I do not intend to go into detail about all the work of the various offices or departments. However, I do wish to compliment the work done by Buena Coffee, our County and District Clerk.

In cooperation with our County Auditor, Hollis Huffaker, a complete new method of bookkeeping is being set up to handle the many varied transactions handled by this office. Also they are:

Setting up a new filing system for transcribing old birth and death records and compiling a Master Index on same.

Installing a more efficient and economical method of filing and recording instruments of transaction.

In the process of bringing up to date all receipts and disbursements on all outstanding cases in our County Court, 83rd District Court and 112th District Court.

In the process of transcribing election returns, notary bonds, medical records and military discharge records.

Setting up a new filing system

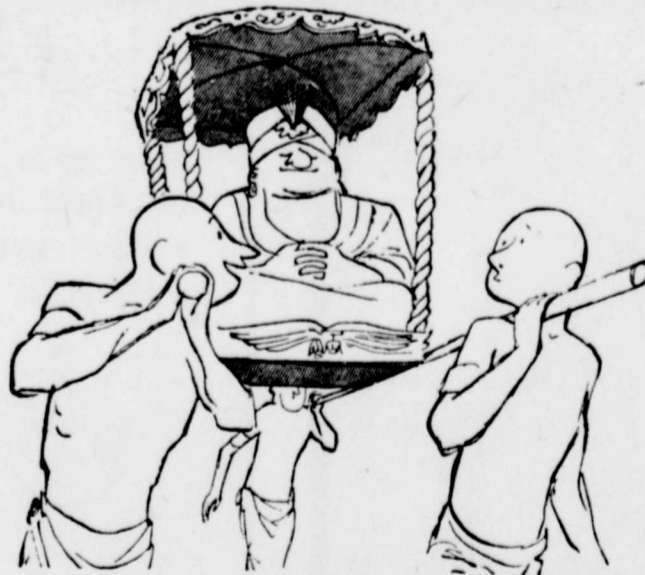
and general ledger fee books for the County Court and both District Courts.

And in compliance with new State Laws, setting up a new system for filing and recording all Upton County brands of stock as well as Certificates of Assumed Names.

This work is being done to give you efficient and faster service. This most important but little publicized public office handles every transaction, actions of the courts and all instruments for recording.

For the many who are not acquainted with the other offices and departments that comprise our county operations, they are: County Auditor's Office, County Treasurer's Office, Commissioners Court and County Judge's Office, County Attorney's Office, Courthouse and Jail, McCamey Sub-station, Jury Expense (Includes District Court Reporters and District Attorneys' secretaries pro rata expense), Justice of the Peace Precinct Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4. Election Expense, County Health and Welfare, Agriculture Expense (Includes County Agent, Home Demonstration Agent and Cooperative Trapping Fund Expense, McCamey Library, Rankin Library, Juvenile Officer, General Maintenance, Judicial (District Judges Juvenile Expense), McCamey Airport, County Service Officer and Miscellaneous (This included Annual Audit Expense, Valuation Engineer, Postage Meter, McCamey and Rankin Museums and Historical Society and the McCamey and Rankin Fire Departments.) The expenditures from these departments are all from our General Fund.

In our Park Fund the departments are: Rankin Park & Pool, McCamey Park & Pool, Dunbar Park & Pool, Rankin Park Building, McCamey Park Building, Rankin Water System, Rankin Ball Parks, McCamey Ball Parks Rankin Youth Center, McCamey Youth Center, Dunbar Youth Center, Rankin Cemetery, McCamey Cemetery, McCamey Rodeo Grounds, Rankin Rodeo Grounds and Miscellaneous, which includes their group insurance, General Maintenance, Dunbar Cemetery, Midkiff Little League and Castle Gap Park.



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# FOOTBALL GAME!

Friday, October 2

**RANKIN RED DEVILS**

**VS.**

**Anton Buffalos**

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 Mr. & Mrs. Archie McDonald  
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# 4th And 10

## ON YOUR OWN TWO

\* Give a fan the ball and he'll run for a touchdown every play—in the stands.

### TWO UP ON WINK—

Well, so much for homecoming and beating Wink again—for the second time ever. About the only surprise of the whole thing was when the Standard Times slipped up and put the results on the front page. I'll bet some poor soul caught heck over that one.

As for the ball game, the Red Devils picked up where they left off against McCamey, looked like a million bucks and put 14 quick points on the board. And as far as a ball game went, that was about the end of it.

The less interested Rankin got in playing the game, the more physical it became and as a result, it appeared from the spectator standpoint that Rankin punished the Red Devils more than did the Badgers the previous week. One very bright spot—aside from the final results of the game—was the spirited effort of the reserves when they entered the game. They were ready and eager for a little action and revived the whole affair.

### A BUFFALO HEARD—

There's currently a little bit of a song by Roger Miller that says something like, "you can't shoot dice in a Buffalo herd"—something like that—I never can understand what Roger Miller is saying. In any case, the Red Devils are very likely going to feel they are trying to play football in the middle of a Buffalo herd Friday night—Stanton Buffalo, that it.

Last year we all recall that no one really took ole Stanton—win-

**ATTENTION FISHERMEN !**  
CHECK our stock of Zebco Rods and Reels. We feel that we've got the lowest prices offered anywhere...  
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**JOHNSON'S**

### First Baptist Church

Come now, and let us reason together saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. (Isaiah 1:18)

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM TRAINING UNION 6:30 P.M.  
MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 AM EVENING WORSHIP 7:30 P.M.  
WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE: 7:30 P.M.

Pastor: J. C. Tankersley

Parsonage Ph. 003-2324

Church Ph. 693-2385

less in something like two years at that time—very serious. But before the game was over it was quite evident that Stanton had done their best to win it.

The situation is the same this year only more so. Stanton still hasn't won a game—going on 3 years now—and you can well imagine that they are getting a bit desperate. Add to that the fact that Rankin will be their last small school—they get Seagraves next week then into a real tough district—and you can easily see the situation.

For Stanton, it's either beat Rankin or face the bleak prospect of going into their fourth year without a win. You can bet they will make the big effort on Friday night and you can't blame them. Their chances of winning over Seagraves or in district are blaaatt!

One last thought: how would you like to be the only team that Stanton has beaten in three years? You think that wouldn't knock the old rating to the bottom of the heap.

### ODD BITS—

Last week was a rather revealing one that raised lots of eyebrows in football circles. As a for instance: do you suppose the McCamey Badgers got that much better in one week or is their

### Legal Notice

#### NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS OPERATING UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME

Article 5924, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, requires that a Certificate of Assumed Name be filed in the office of the County Clerk by each and every person conducting business under an assumed name. Said certificate shall be effective for a period not to exceed ten years from date of filing and shall become null and void and of no effect, unless prior to said expiration, a new certificate is filed with the County Clerk.

A Withdrawal Certificate must also be filed with the County Clerk when an individual of a firm withdraws from that firm or a change of ownership occurs or a business is terminated.

Failure to comply with this statute constitutes a criminal offense and offenders are subject to fine.

(s) Buena R. Coffee  
County Clerk

tough non-conference schedule beginning to tell on the Braves?

Is Ozona a hot and cold team that lays it on one week and dogs it the next? Is it true that Sonora has their best team ever or are the Big Lakers in for a long season. If Sonora is as good as they say, the team to watch in our area may well be Coahoma despite the good showing of Crane.

Van Horn is still looking good and—I think this is right—they won their first game ever over Eunice last week. Sanderson is yet to be tested.

On the local front, the B Team is looking mighty good on defense but has run into a problem on offense. This will likely draw some attention this week.

### PICKINGS—

**RANKIN 20**, Stanton 12 but the Red Devils are going to have to be ready to play four quarters in order to pull it out.

**JAL 14**, Wink 8 The Wildcats are hurting for an offensive punch.

**VAN HORN 25**, Fabens 14 The Van Horn Eagles seem to be able to come up with the big play that is a mark of good coaching.

**SONORA 28**, Ozona 20. This is usually a top game and will be the one to watch this week.

**SANDERSON 21**, Balmorhea 0 and then again it might be 40 or 50 to 0.

**BIG LAKE 18**, Junction 15. The Junction lads have a good team but don't seem to be able to win. They may put it together here.

**MCCAMEY 14**, Fort Stockton 13 but don't take any bets. Stockton appears to be getting ready to win one and the Badgers may be the victims.

**Eldorado 20**, Iraan 18. Now admittedly, this would be an upset but I'm still impressed with Mr. Nixon and the Eagles. If the weather is good, they'll test Iraan's pass defense, thoroughly.

**CRANE 21**, Alpine 14. Right at (Continued to Next Page)

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## D. D. Shurtleff has 25 Years with Shell

D. D. Shurtleff, Field Gauger for Shell Pipe Line Corporation's West Texas Division Yates Gathering System, completed 25 years of service this month.

Joining Shell Pipe Line in 1946 as a Painter in Colorado City, Shurtleff became Pipeliner January of 1950. Later that year he went to Upton Station, near Rankin, serving as Yardman, Station Utilityman and Pipeliner.

In 1955 Shurtleff transferred to McCamey as Pipeliner; and after varied assignments there, he returned to Rankin, serving short assignments there and in Goldsmith and Big Spring. He transferred to Kermit as Electrician in 1964, going to McCamey as Electrical Technician two years later. Shurtleff began his present assignment in Iraan in May this year.

Mrs. Shurtleff is an assistant to Dr. J. D. Gossett in Rankin. Their two children graduated from the Rankin High School.

## Poags Host to at Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Poags hosts for an Open House at their ranch home on Saturday, September 25. The house is from which guests were appointed in silver and china.

Guests attending from town included Mr. and Mrs. try Holmes of Ennis, Mrs. Bobby McAden of Bill Shaw of San Angelo and Mrs. Debs Gambel Charles, La.

## Sorority Observance Birthday with

Omicron Tau chapter Sigma Phi held a birthday last week, celebrated with ice cream and lots of Get acquainted guests. Irene Stewart, Candy Theress Patterson, Betty Neal, Susan Paul Collum, Linda Field, Denedy and Mary Bailey.

All reported an enjoyable time.

### JESUS CHRIST

the same yesterday, and today, and for ever



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

### LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES

EACH SUNDAY  
Sunday School: 9:45  
Worship Service: 10:30  
Elizabeth & 8th St.

### THE CHURCH OF CHRIST INVITES YOU TO WORSHIP

#### Sundays:

BIBLE CLASSES ..... 10:00 A.M.  
MORNING WORSHIP ..... 11:00 A.M.  
EVENING WORSHIP ..... 6:30 P.M.

#### Wednesdays:

BIBLE CLASSES for all ages 7:30 P.M.

# Notice To Dog Owners

## A Vet Will be at City Hall

### Sat., Oct. 2 at 9 A.M.

Dr. Tommy Elrod, Odessa Veterinarian will be on hand from 9:00 a.m. until the work is completed to give shots for Rabies-Distemper. (Usual fee to be charged for this service.)

### Hospital Notes

Mrs. Della King, Iraan, admitted September 11, dismissed on September 22.

Mrs. E. Evans, Iraan, admitted September 11, dismissed on September 21.

Mrs. Clara Mobley, McCamey, admitted September 12, dismissed September 21.

S. W. Bonnell, Iraan, admitted September 13, dismissed September 23.

Mrs. C. H. Edward, Crane, admitted September 14, dismissed September 24.

Mrs. J. W. Fincher, McCamey, admitted September 17, dismissed September 21.

Mrs. Bob Foster, Girvin, admitted September 22, dismissed September 23.

J. T. Abernathy, Crane, admitted September 20, dismissed September 24.

Brenda Glosser, Rankin, admitted September 22, dismissed on September 27.

Mrs. Thomas Aguilar, Rankin, admitted September 22, dismissed September 29.

George Price, McCamey, admitted September 22, dismissed September 27.

Mrs. Ronald Shirley, McCamey, admitted September 23, dismissed

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(s) J. B. Hutchens, Jr.  
Publisher.

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# Adult Classes to Begin October 5

Adult Basic Education classes will begin Tuesday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rankin High School. The classes will meet on each Tuesday and Thursday nites, from 7:00 to 9:20 p.m. Seventy-five hours of instruction will be offered in the thirty class meetings ending February 1, 1972.

There will be no tuition charge for the classes.

This educational program is designed to raise the educational level of any person 18 years of age, or older, who is educationally deficient in reading, writing, arithmetic, the speaking of English, citizenship, health practices and normal adult responsibilities. It is hoped that this program will eliminate these deficiencies; and as a consequence, equip the students to perform more efficiently as employees and citizens.

In the last three years of this program, more than twenty students have received their high school equivalency diploma.

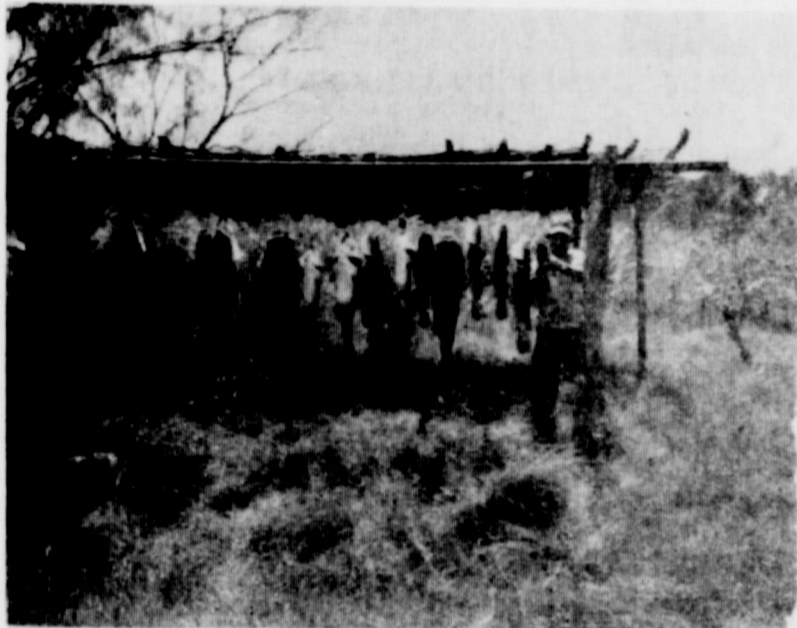
In addition to the basic subjects taught, homemaking arts and nutrition will be offered this

year. Adults interested in enrolling in these classes may contact the Administration Office of Rankin Public Schools for more information. (Telephone 693-2461)

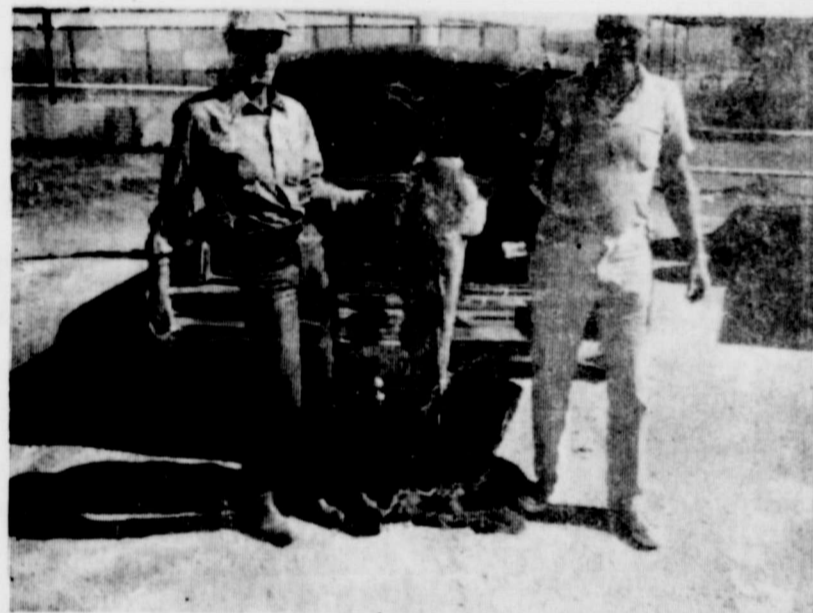
Rankin School teachers who are

to be teaching in the program include Roy Johnson, Paula Corder, Richard Villarreal, Darrell Head, Alene Hurst and Beverley Helton. Melvin Wimberley will be the counselor and H. A. Adams, administrator.

### A Fish Story -- With Proof



A Portion of the Big Catch



Absher and Taylor with a Big One

Frank Absher, C. E. Taylor, A. J. Kelley and Doug Wooten went fishing recently on the Rio Grande below Eagle Pass and evidently were using the right bait. Their total catch amounted to some 400

pounds of catfish. In the top picture, a portion of the catch is lined up while in the bottom photo, Absher and Taylor display one that went in the 60-pound area.

### Library Notes

Recent additions to our shelves: "A Rose for Virtue", by Norah Lofts, the private life of Napoleon's stepdaughter;

"Wheels", by Arthur Hailey; "On Instructions of My Government", by Pierre Salinger;

"Theirs Was the Kingdom", by R. F. Delderfield; "Addie Pray", by Joe David Brown.

And in non-fiction we have: "America", by Morton Mintz; "The Shotgun Book", by Jack O' Connor; "The Complete Allergy Guide", by Dr. H. G. Rapaport; "A Field Guide to the Shells", by Percy Morris; "I'm O.K., You're O.K.", by Dr. T. H. Harris; and "Here, Mr. Splitfoot", by Robert Somerkott.

Mrs. Ann Clark attended a workshop of the Texas State Library in Midland Sept. 27. Subject was the Implementation of Library Systems Act and Library Services and Construction Act as it applies to local libraries.

# NOTICE HALE'S GARAGE WILL RE-OPEN MONDAY, OCT. 4TH

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Chuck LB.  
**ROAST 69c**

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**DOG FOOD 25c**

Peter Pan—Peanut JAR  
**BUTTER 57c**

Sunbeam Sandwich 22-oz. pk.  
**COOKIES 53c**

Ranch Style—15-oz. 2 FOR  
**BEANS 41c**

Lipton's 1/4-lb. box  
**TEA 43c**

Stokely's No. 2 1/2 cans 2 FOR  
**PEACHES 89c**  
Sliced or Halves

Sunlite CAN  
**BISCUITS 10c**

Stokely's 8-oz. Tomato 3 FOR  
**SAUCE 37c**

Deer—303 Cans 2 FOR  
**TOMATOES 39c**

Campbell's Tomato 2 CANS  
**SOUP 25c**

Imperial Pure Cane 5-lb. bag  
**SUGAR 71c**

Sun Valley 3 LBS.  
**OLEO \$1.**

Dove—with soap dish 3 Bars  
**SOAP 81c**

Gerber's Strained 6 Jars  
**BABY FOOD 89c**

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Red Devils

(Continued from)

MATTRESSES: New or rebuilt, Made by Western Mattress, write P. O. Box 5288, San Angelo 76901. They are guaranteed. For a convenient home appointment, call Turner Motel, 693-2274.

FOR SALE: 808 Kilborn, three bedroom house and extra corner lot with old building. Write: John S. Wimberley, Star Route, Midkiff, Texas 79755.

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treatment of bruised muscles but all are be available for play

Kickoff time is 10:00 a.m. the visitors' stands will be overflowing as rooters travel to Star. Devils are expected to be edged by most of the fans. This will mean little

Following are results of three games between

1956—Rankin 24, Star 13  
1957—Rankin 13, Star 10  
1970—Rankin 18, Star 10

Picture Taking

Pictures of Pre-School children are to be taken Tuesday, September 5 at 3:45 p.m. in the school auditorium.

GARAGE SALE: Furniture, clothes, girls & boys' clothing. 12th and Upton - 5:00 p.m. from high school gymnasium. Day & Thursday, Sept. 30.

FOR SALE OR RENT: Room unfurnished. Call from school, corner 12th and Upton. Streets or see at 693-2853.

POCKET BOOKS and magazines for your pleasure at Mary's. All are clean, no damage. We invite you to browse.

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