

IN AND OUT OF TOWN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vermillion of LaForce visited recently in the homes of S. O. Langford and L. Z. Titsworth.

Party Chief Campbell and Mrs. Campbell of the National Geophysical crew, moved to Sterling City Monday, after a stay of several months in Rankin.

L. B. Menielle, of the Plymouth Oil Co., who has been located at Texon for a number of years, is now in the Benedum Field north of Rankin.

Luther Ham of Texon and Bangs was a business visitor in Rankin Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stephenson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Copeland spent the weekend in Dallas and attended the Cotton Bowl game Saturday.

Mrs. Herbert Dean, Sr., of Balinger visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dean, Jr., over the weekend.

Joseph A. Beyer, Crane County Attorney, was a business visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Adams were among the Rankinites attending the Cotton Bowl game in Dallas Saturday.

George Ashburn, Crane County treasurer, and Mr. Culp, technician of the new Crane Hospital, were Rankin business visitors on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery and John Ann attended the Cotton Bowl game in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Yates spent the holidays in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jake Cockrum and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holcomb left Friday night to spend the New Year weekend with Mrs. Holcomb's mother at Brownwood.

R. C. Schlager, Jr., left Friday to visit in San Angelo and Crowell.

Mrs. Luella Dean has been a patient in the McCamey Hospital the past week.

Mrs. Worth Allen and children of Sterling City visited friends in Rankin Thursday.

Sara Lee and Billy Stephenson spent Christmas in Abilene with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stephenson.

Miss Cleora Quitt of the Rankin school faculty spent the holidays in Baton Rouge, La.

Mrs. Furr Announces Recent Additions To Upton County Library

FICTION:
Chinatown Family
The Wild Country
Lush Valley
Elizabeth Captive Princess
Three Roads To Valhalla
The Tortured Angel
Rancher's Revenge
Horseshoe Range
Guardian of the Trail
Robber's Roost

NON-FICTION:
6 Vol. Abraham Lincoln
4 Vol. Robert E. Lee
4 Vol. Lee's Lieutenants
5 Vol. The March of Democracy
Crusade in Europe
No Place To Hide
Let's Tell the Truth About Sex
Channels of Devotion
Consumer Buying Guide, 1949
Issue.

JR. NON-FICTION:
Franklin Roosevelt Boy of Four
Freedoms
George Washington, Boy Leader.

JR. FICTION:
Wings In The Woods
Robin Hood's Arrow
Boom Town Boy
Twenty-One Balloons
A Tale of Two Cities
The Voyage of Dr. Doolittle
Dusty of the Double Seven
Miss Tippy
Blueberries For Sal
Bambi
Susan's Year
Five Little Peppers and How They Grew
The Adventures of Joel Pepper
Seven Strange Clues

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 1949

B.&P.W. To Meet Thursday At Noon

The regular luncheon and business meeting of the Rankin Business and Professional Women's Club will be held in the private dining room of the City Cafe, Thursday noon, Jan. 13.

Two New Residences Near Completion

Two more modern dwellings are nearing completion one-half mile north of Rankin on the Midland Highway, making four at this location which H. F. Neal has recently had erected.

Twelve Apartments Now Being Built

Twelve apartments are being completed in West Rankin by E. C. Higday, former Rankin resident now living in Big Lake. Six of the apartments will be furnished.

Mrs. Yates' Brother Dies In Corpus Christi

Mrs. E. D. (Mom) Yates received word on Saturday of the death of her brother, William H. Mayes. Mr. Mayes, aged 81, died suddenly at the home of a daughter in Corpus Christi where he was visiting. His home was in Belton, Texas, where funeral services were held at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

Because of illness the Yates' were unable to attend the funeral.

Hardts Have Reunion During Holidays

The Hardt family held a reunion in the home of Rev. and Mrs. D. G. Hardt during the holidays, having their gift exchanges around the lighted tree Christmas morning.

Here for several days with their parents were Earl G. Hardt of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams and son, Albert Sydney, of Paducah, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling M. Hardt of Galveston, and Mr. and Mrs. Milburn McNeill of Corpus Christi.

All-Star Game Taken By Iran 13 To 0

Sunny skies and fair weather smiled on Coach Prof. Williamson's squad of All-Stars on New Year's Day to clip the McCamey All-Stars 13 to 0 in the first bowl game to be played at the Cactus stadium.

The Iran all-stars played bang up ball all the way through, and took their first score on the first play of the game in a long pass from Ed Weatherby to Sonny Rowe. The second touchdown was set up by a long run by Denzil Kennemer to the one foot line with Fullback Paul Hubbell building over.

Standing out on offense on the Iran team were Rowe, Kennemer, Weatherby and Hubbell, with big George Lee, Kermit Powell, Dempsey and B. Whitefield playing stellar roles on defense. Iranites who again wore the colors were W. T. (Red) Eaves, Charlie Phillips, Talmadge Barnes, Amos Owens, Thomas and Kenneth Hesson, others participating who were stars from other days were Bill Dohlgenger, Johnny Collins, Deb Davis, Winston and Ainsworth, and a popular man with the fans, Homer Hefley.

Brandon and Davis were the leading offensive men for Coach Dutch Schuman's McCamey 11, with Ham, Pauley and Twyford playing a grand game of ball on the defensive side of the slate.

A crowd estimated at 500 attended the game, which was sponsored by the Buster Brown Post of the American Legion in Iran.

Post Commander Walter Fernaid reported the local Post cleared some \$199.50 at the gate. Mrs. Opal Carnes, president of the Ladies Auxiliary, gave a take of \$91 at the refreshment stand at the game.

The proceeds will be used to promote a baseball league for teen-ager boys of Iran next summer.

Officials for the game were C. C. Carl, referee; Geo. Reynolds, head linesman, and John Simon, umpire.



RECENT BRIDE—Mrs. Harold Snell whose marriage took place December 18 in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Schlager, in Rankin, is the former Martha Etta Schlager. Mr. Snell is the son of H. C. Snell of Bolding, Arkansas. Following a wedding trip to Arkansas, the couple is at home in Snyder.

FBI File Charges On Four Men Held In The Upton County Jail; Transferred To Pecos

Cow Test For Bangs Disease Must Be Filed By February 1, 1949

As most of you know, a cow that has Bangs disease is a cow that should not be in your herd. I am sure that most of you that have a cow have already had her tested for the Bangs disease. However, if you have not had her tested in the past year or two, you should have this done. Bangs disease is the cause of undulant fever and everyone that has a milk cow should know that she is free of this disease.

I have contacted a veterinarian and the number of cows to be tested in the county will determine the cost of the test. I wish all people in Upton County that has a cow that needs testing would contact me in some way and let me know the number of cows you want tested.

You may call me at my office or drop me a card. However, do this as soon as possible.

W. M. DAY, JR., County Agent, Upton County.

Four men were arrested in McCamey in the early morning hours of Tuesday, Dec. 28, and lodged in jail with vagrancy and driving a vehicle without operator licenses filed against them, were transferred to the Federal jail in Pecos this week with charges of driving a stolen vehicle across a state line filed against them.

Roy Dahl, FBI agent, came to Upton County Monday, Jan. 3, and was accompanied by Deputy John Gantt and Bob Schlager in taking the men to Pecos.

According to the information received, the four men had stolen the 1938 Plymouth in which they were traveling in Delhi, La., and were apprehended in McCamey. The men related to the officers that they had planned to break into Basham's Food Store during the night they were arrested, steal another car and continue their journey toward the West Coast.

The four men were Troy Nelson Parker from Tennessee; Harold J. Nutt of Georgia; Art Clouston Rutherford of Tennessee, and Hiram McDaniels of Illinois.



Pure silks were the featured fabrics when Dr. Frank Black, Nick Kenny, Milton Berle and Arthur Schwartz "Male-Tested" Fashions for Cosmopolitan magazine. The jurors agreed that silk can whisper, rustle, or sing, and then voted this Stafford's foulard with white polka dots on green, slate or navy as a fashion prima donna of the month. It has a high neckline and front peplum and is shown in the magazine's January issue.

Complete Family Plan Announced By LAMSA Airlines In Mexico

LAMSA Airlines, Mexican subsidiary of United Airlines, on Jan. 10 will inaugurate what is described as "the most complete family plan" in the history of air travel anywhere.

Announcement of the new family was made by G. H. Macomber from LAMSA's headquarters in Mexico City.

Under the plan the husband pays full fare, the wife half fare, children between 12 and 18, half fare, and children between two and 12, quarter fare. As an added feature a nurse may travel with the children for half fare.

The plan will go into effect Jan. 10 and be continued for at least two months until March 10. LAMSA flies from Juarez, just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Texas to Mexico City. It also flies from Juarez to Torreon and then through Durango to the beautiful Pacific Coast port of Mazatlan.

Among ancient Mexican cities served by LAMSA besides those already mentioned are San Luis Potosi, Parral, Chihuahua City, Casas Grandes, Cananea and Nogales, Arizona, some 60 miles from Tucson.

The LAMSA family plan will be good for any distance to any LAMSA airport on any day of the week, Macomber said, emphasizing there are no restrictions of any sort attached to this plan.

Social Security Gets Workout In District During Year Just Past

Old age and survivors insurance payments in excess of \$332,000 went to residents of the 30 counties surrounding McCamey, Rankin, Crane and Iraan during 1948. This announcement was made today by George Clark, manager of the San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration.

As of December monthly payments went to a total of some 1900 persons in this 30-county area; these payments amounted to about \$30,000 for the month.

The largest group, from the standpoint of amount of payments, consisted of workers over 65 years of age who are receiving retirement payments, based upon the social security built up during their years of employment. Over 580 such retired workers were estimated to be receiving payments of \$12,000 at the end of the year. More than 150 of these men have wives 65 years of age or over; payments to these wives amounted to \$1,700 monthly.

The second largest group of persons receiving monthly payments is made up of children under 18 years of age. Some of these are children of retired workers; others are children of workers who have died. Payments of some \$10,000 were made to 900 such children monthly.

In addition to the retired workers, their wives, and the children of retired and deceased workers, payments were also made to widows with entitled children in their care, to widows who are 65 years of age or over, and to aged dependent parents of deceased workers.

During 1948, the San Angelo office assigned 6,412 original account number cards, and replaced 4,407 cards which had been lost, mutilated or destroyed. There were 1,191 persons, most of whom were newly married women, who made requests to have their accounts changed to their new names.

It was necessary during the year to investigate 8,284 cases in which employers' quarterly reports failed to give enough information to permit wages to be posted to the proper employee wage account. Since old age and survivors insurance benefits are based on wages, incorrect or incomplete wage reporting may reduce the benefits, or may prevent making any payments in some cases. Complete information was obtained in most of these cases.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Henley of Ft. Stockton were Rankin visitors on Wednesday.

Mr. S. E. Scott was quite ill at his home here the first of the week. His condition is reported as improved at this time.

\$164,000 Suit Filed Against W.T.U.

Pair Arrested On Cable Line Theft

Sheriff M. E. Lear of Crane County arrested two men in Crane on Dec. 30 for Upton County officers in relation to the theft of 6,500 feet of spudding cable line that was taken from the Wilson Lease some three and one-half miles east of Crane. The two men arrested were William Rich, 19, and J. D. Davidson, 30, both of San Angelo.

The loss was discovered on Dec. 29, and the following day, Upton County officers located the missing cable at a McCamey junk yard where it had been sold. The owner, R. W. Wilson, of the Wilson Well Service in Crane, told the officers that the line was a total loss as it was badly kinked. Cost of the line was given as \$797.03 plus freight.

Davidson is being held in the Crane County jail on theft charges, while Rich was brought to the Upton County jail in Rankin with the theft of the above was filed against him. Charges were also filed in Upton County on Davidson in connection with the theft.

Oil Men Discuss Probable Road Site With Commissioners

Representatives of six oil companies met in a special meeting with the Upton County Commissioners Court last Monday upon the Commissioners' invitation, to discuss the route of the road in the Benedum Field. After a discussion that lasted all thru the morning, the meeting was recessed until the regular meeting next Monday, Jan. 10.

Present at the meeting besides the members of the court were J. W. Hewgley, Jr., of Slick-Urschel Oil Co.; Bill Glascock of the Republic Natural Gas Co.; Roy Gardner of the Plymouth Oil Co.; Mr. Dean of Richardson-Bass interests; Terry Roach of the Humble; and W. T. Shelton of the Shell Pipe Line.

The road paving project was approved in a county-wide election on Dec. 22.

Measle Epidemic Hits Crane Grade School

Just to give you an idea of how the measles epidemic is spreading around over our school, Mrs. Owens sent eight children home in one day with the measles, not counting how many had already been sent home with them.

In some classes there are as many as nine absent, whether they are all absent with the measles, we do not know for sure.

One week before the Christmas holidays there were 5.4% absent from school when the whole month before there had been only 3.9% absent. This shows how much the per cent of absence is increasing.

All cases of the measles have been from the grade school so far.

David A. Howard, of Odessa, filed a damage suit totaling \$164,500 against the West Texas Utilities this week in Crane on the charge of negligence in relation to electrocution about three miles east of Crane on May 3, of last year. Mike Mason, Odessa attorney, filed the charge.

The suit calls for \$100,000 damages for personal injuries including the burning and subsequent amputation of four toes, severe burns of both feet and the burning of both hands.

For the loss of future wages, the defendant is asking \$60,000. Also, \$3,000 for medical expenses is being asked, and an additional \$1,500 for future medical care.

Grounds for the suit is based on "negligence" on the part of the West Texas Utilities inasmuch as the line was only 18.1 feet above the ground, while the state requirements calls for a minimum height of 22 feet.

Mat Dillingham, head of the West Texas Utilities in McCamey was served with the notice on behalf of his company.

Diabetes Grows Into Major Killer In Texas Says Dr. Geo. W. Cox

AUSTIN—Despite the fact that modern medicine makes it possible for the diabetic to live out a normal life span in comparative comfort, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, says that diabetes continues to take the lives of hundreds of Texans every year.

"The death rate from communicable diseases such as typhoid, malaria, diphtheria and smallpox are decreasing throughout the country," Dr. Cox said, "but diabetes continues to bring about a tragic number of deaths each year, especially in the middle-age group."

The State Health Officer said that until recent years diabetes was not noted as a major health problem, but it became acknowledged as such when the development of medical laboratory procedures made the disease more easily diagnosed.

Diabetes is generally recognized as a class disease, since it seems to attack the "white collar" class of indoor men and women much more frequently than it does the outdoor person whose work is more vigorous and calls for more exercise. Vocational and economical conditions apparently are predisposing factors in the incidence of the disease, since it is a fact that those persons whose occupations call for manual labor and simple living are not frequently affected.

Dr. Cox recommended simple, wholesome diets, sufficient sleep and exercise and other general health protections as being beneficial in preventing diabetes, and stressed the importance of annual physical examinations so that if the disease is present, competent treatment can be instituted at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery and John Ann spent Christmas with relatives in Rockport, Texas.

CAPTAIN VELASCO RETURNS HOME



Captain Paul Velasco registers surprise at coming out of the P-38 wreckage alive, or wonderment at being extricated through the miniature window indicated by the arrow. The wreck occurred at the edge of the Crane Airport on Christmas Eve. Airport manager, J. N. Moore, chopped the small window out to free Velasco.

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NOT TO BE OVERLOOKED

To often, the people of a community are prone to condemn the law enforcement agencies just because they might be inconvenienced by some law which the peace officers may be enforcing. Very seldom is there a time when good things are said of these men who protect our lives and property. . . but a recent incident should not go unmentioned.

Due to the excellent work on the part of peace officers, two crimes were prevented in McCamey one night.

The four men just taken to Pecos this week to face Federal charges, were arrested and held on minor charges of vagrancy and driving an auto without an operators license . . . the rest is unknown to the public.

Deputy Sheriff John Gantt arrested the first man after being called to the Bender Hotel to talk to the man at a late hour on December 27. Deputy Sheriff Earl McWilliams, after questioning the man, informed Constable Malcolm Reimers that three more men were in McCamey some place and he should be on the lookout for any suspicious characters.

Not knowing their description, nor of what calibre men they might be, Reimers made three arrests over a period of four hours in McCamey and rounded up the rest of the party of men.

Later it was learned that these men had planned to rob a local store and steal another car in which to continue their journey.

Thus, due to the efficiency, and working co-operation between the Sheriff's Department and the Constable of Precinct No. 3, two crimes were prevented.

It might have been OUR PROPERTY whom these men so aptly protected . . . but regardless of whose property, or life, it might have been, we want to say "Thank You" and "Congratulations" on a fine piece of work.

Weekly Swing Of The Southwest Markets

The first week of the new year opened with unsettled conditions on many SW farm markets, with prices showing a mixture of ups and downs, according to the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration.

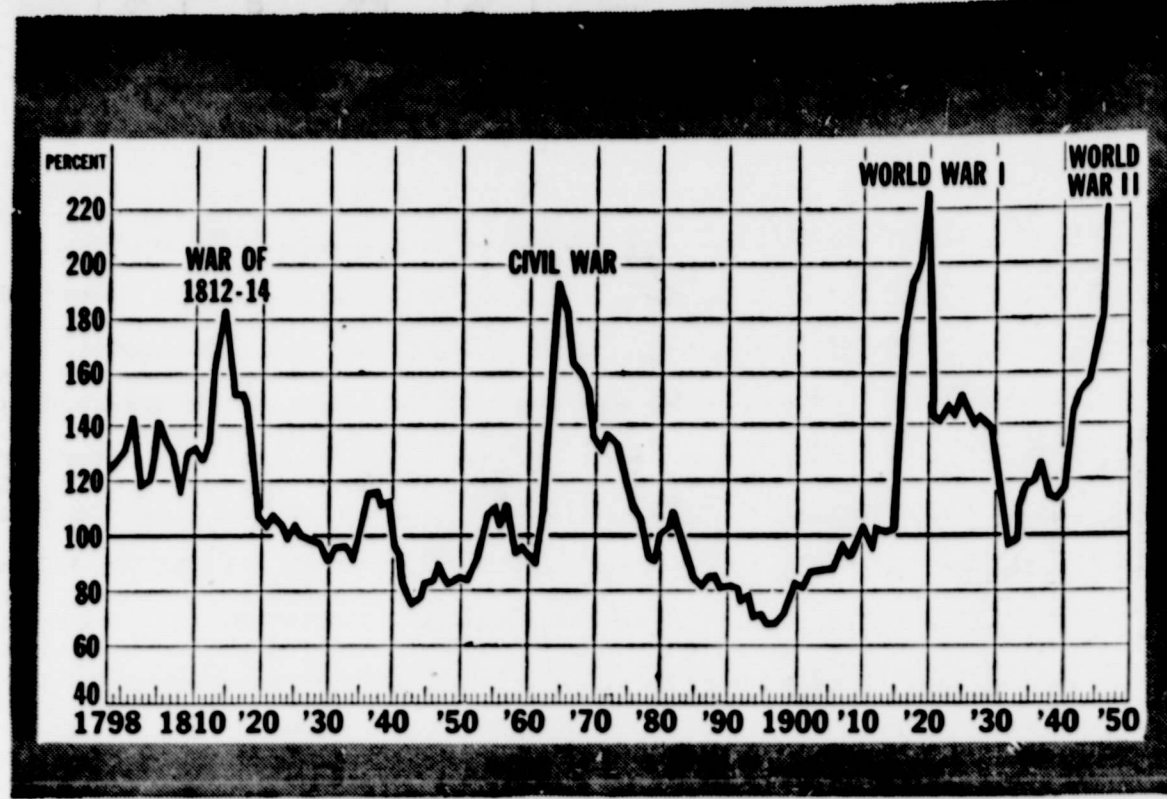
Cattle markets ended a week of mixed trends Monday. Changes varied from losses of \$1 or more to gains equally as great, according to class, grade and location. Cows showed the full range of trends. Canner and cutter cows sold in a spread of \$13 to \$17.50 at Houston, San Antonio, Oklahoma City and Denver. \$11 to \$16 at Fort Worth and \$14.50 to \$16.50 at Wichita and Kansas City.

Hogs fell mostly \$1 to \$1.50 for the week, with much of the loss recorded on the first Monday of the new year. Declines reached \$2 or more at Denver. Top butcher hogs dropped to around \$20.50 at most markets and \$21 at Denver. Sows brought \$17 to \$18 at San Antonio and mainly \$16.50 and down at other markets.

Most SW sheep and goats show-



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What Is To Happen Now? Price Index Passes The All-Time Peak Of 1920 In The Past Year

By JOHN R. STOCKTON
(Professor of Business Statistics, University of Texas)

When the wholesale price index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics passed the previous all-time peak reached in 1920, the question inevitably arose as to whether prices could maintain this high level. Since economic forecasts have tended to be highly inaccurate, it is perhaps better merely to refer to the past record and let it supply the forecast. The above chart shows that every major war in which the U. S. has engaged has been accompanied by an inflationary rise in prices. And every wartime inflationary rise in prices has been followed by a sharp decline.

Wars cause inflation because they are financed by government borrowing in one form or another. It is generally true that the taxes are increased, but a substantial portion of war expenditures have always been financed by the expansion of credit. New purchasing power is thus put into the hands of consumers at a time when the government demands for munitions prevent a corresponding increase in the supply of goods available for consumers to buy. The result of this situation is inevitably a rise in the prices of available goods. During World War II the rise was held in check by price control by rationing but with the end of price control at the end of the war, the inflationary factors were free to push prices upward.

The end of the rise in prices after past wars had followed the same pattern: rising prices have tended to absorb some of the excess purchasing power, and at the same time the production of consumer goods increased with the ending of the demand for munitions. By 1920, following World War I, the supply of goods had caught up with demand, and it was suddenly discovered that there was a surplus of all kinds of commodities. Farm products were the first to feel the effects of these factors, but other commodities followed. The index of the wholesale commodity prices dropped from 165.8 in August, 1920, to 93.5 in August, 1921. Similar drops occurred after the Civil War, the War of 1812, and the Revolutionary War. It is always dangerous to base a forecast on the assumption that history will repeat, but with the pattern so definitely established, it would be foolish not to watch carefully for a repetition of the pattern of four previous wars. Many details of the present situation are different from past wars, but the basic factors are the same.

In planning an investment program, the trend of the price level is an important factor. The logical time to buy property or invest in ownership equities, such as common stock, is when the trend of the price level is up-

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that I, Bill Nix, intend to apply to the Texas Liquor Control Board at its office in the City of Austin, Texas, for a package store permit under the provisions of the Texas Liquor Control Act. The store will be located approximately 275 feet South of the North line of Sec. 24, Certificate 982, HE & WTRR Survey, and 50 feet West of State Highway No. 349. Same being approximately one-half mile North of the City Limits of Rankin, Texas, on said highway, Upton County, Texas, Bill Nix, owner. The business will be operated under the name of Bill Nix's Package Store.

SPORTS AFIELD

By Ted Kesting

I have been reading strange and wonderful things about the effects of altitude and cold on rifles, this is that made me wonder why I never have similar experiences. Actually, most of the strange behavior of the rifle is caused by the shooter violating some principle that every rifle shooter should know.

Here are practically all the precautions you should take to insure that your hunting rifle will always deliver shot well into game, at least when you aim and squeeze the trigger properly. These suggestions are from Col. Townsend Whelen, noted arms and ammunition authority.

Don't take it for granted that your rifle, as it comes from the factory or gunsmith, is correctly sighted for you, for the ammunition you use, and for the distance you want.

If you have your rifle sighted in for you by a friend who is a good shot, always verify this sighting yourself. He may not aim and hold the rifle just as you do.

If you change ammunition, verify the sight adjustment with the new load. Two makes of cartridges, both the same weight bullet and same advertised velocity, may and may not shoot to the same center of impact.

Never rest a rifle on a solid object, rock or log, as it will probably shoot very high and wild. Have some soft object between the rifle and rest, even the hand will do. Keep your stock as dry as you can.

Most of the complaints we hear about shooting high and the admonitions to aim low can be traced to the open rear sight. Yet our manufacturers still persist in equipping their standard sporting rifles with open rear sights, which are responsible for many misses and much wounded game. No one who has learned to use the Lyman-type aperture rear sight has any of these troubles.

If you will observe these precautions, then you must lay your misses to your aim and trigger squeeze alone. Modern American hunting rifles are remarkably reliable arms, and with them your only alibi is poor marksmanship—not the altitude or the weather.

Highway Patrol To Offer Examinations For New Patrolmen

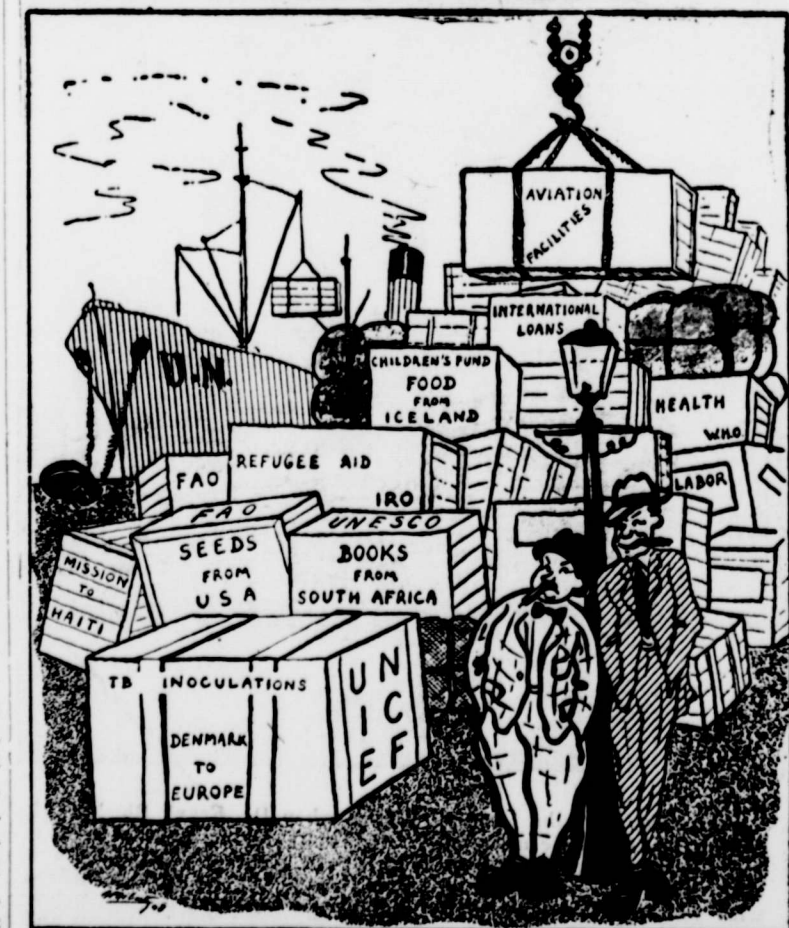
According to Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director of the Dept. of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, an examination for Recruit-Patrolmen will be given in the several Patrol District Offices over Texas, in February, 1949.

Chief W. J. Elliott, Texas Highway Patrol, Austin, Texas, states that the qualifications for these Recruit-Patrolmen positions are: Must be between 21 and 35 years of age; must be at least 5' 8" tall, without shoes, and must weigh not less than two pounds per inch of height and not more than 3 1-2; must be of excellent moral character; must be able to pass the rigid physical examination; must have a high school education or equivalent; and must have been a resident of Texas for one year or more prior to filing application.

This final examination is given to fill existing vacancies and to bring the Patrol to its exact full strength. Several hundred applications are now on file and Elliott states he will be glad to hear from those seeking this type of work and having the necessary qualifications.

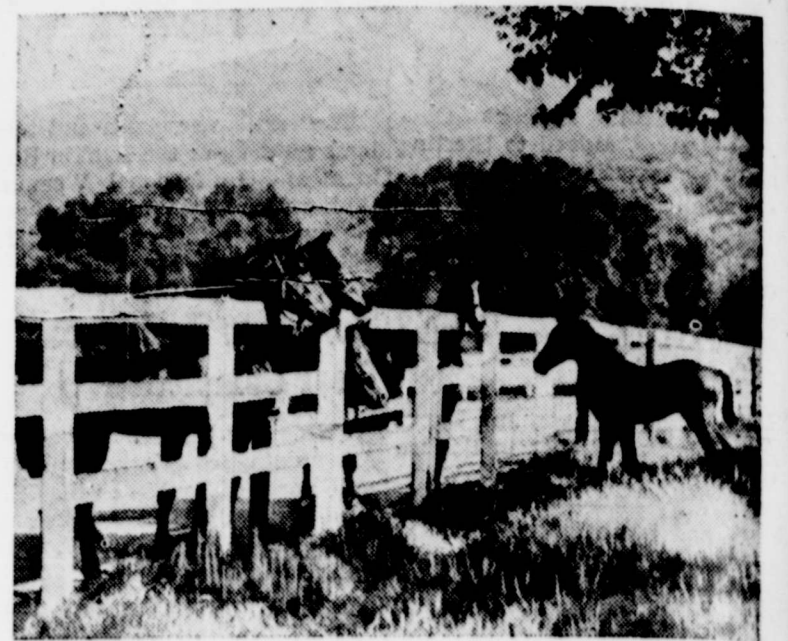
Applications will be received until January 24, 1949, for these positions.

BEHIND THE SKEPTICS' BACKS . . .



"Well, what's the United Nations Doing Anyway?"

Photo Classics



Good composition is the key to this simple yet appealing Speed Graphic pictorial by Bert Clark Thayer, noted horse photographer. Thayer was originally a magazine publisher who decided he could take pictures as good as those he bought. So he installed a darkroom next to his office and became a photographer.

Attend Austin Meeting This Week

Matt Dillingham and Howard E. Stoker will attend the executive meeting called by Gov. Beauford Jester of the Citizens Committee on Constitutional Revision to be held at the State Capital on Thursday, Jan. 6. Gov. Jester will preside over the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 10 a. m. in Austin.

Dillingham is a member of the board of directors of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce, while Stoker is the head of the Civic Affairs Committee.

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HASTINGS THINKS

By Hastings Baker

A chemical derived from coal has the strange effect, when touched to the skin, of causing the skin to lose all color, so that the skin turns a dead, ghost white. This is true even for colored people and it sometimes lasts for years.

Just 45 short years ago Wilbur Wright took off from a Kitty Hawk sand dune and flew 120 feet at an average speed of six miles an hour. He could have run considerably faster. By now a man has flown 1,000 miles an hour, and the planes are under way to triple that to 3,000 miles an hour. This would, of course, have amazed the Wright brothers back in 1903. But they would

probably be even more surprised and puzzled if they were told that in the same 45 years the world would develop guns to knock down planes 30 miles away—guns that shoot shells costing \$20,000 each.

The "Kitty Hawk" hangs beside the "Spirit of St. Louis" in Washington's Smithsonian Institution. Either plane could probably fly as well as it once did but neither will fly again. They will probably still be there when men have flown to Mars unless they sooner disappear in the flash of an atomic bomb dropped from one of their Frankenstein children.

Any time a basketball team scores 100 points in a game, it would seem almost certain they would win the game. The highest ever scored in Madison Square Garden is 97. But already this season, which is still young, at least four teams have scored more than 100 points and still lost the game.

The biggest job in the world is the most underpaid. The President of the U. S. receives \$75,000, pays income taxes and has about \$30,000 left. To make the take home pay what it was before income taxes started to cut it down it would be necessary to more than double the salary.

Few Americans realize that food rationing in England is even more skimpy than it was during the war. Quite a list of foods are rationed including eggs (one or two per person per week), cheese (1 1/2 ounces per person per week), and meat (20c worth per person per week). The English have been on short rations ever since they entered the war almost ten years ago and their officials say there is no hope of lifting rationing for at least another four years. Yet with all this, the English are digging deep into their own pockets to give aid to the rest of Europe and running an airlift into Berlin.

Scientists believe they have a simple solution to the problem of blights and rusts on plants caused by fungi which cost the farmers many millions of dollars every year. They find that actidione (related to penicillin) used as a spray has remarkable results, even when used in a very weak solution of one ounce in more than 7,000 gallons of water.



Mrs. James C. Hayes, above, is the former Pauline Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Edwards of McCamey, before her marriage at the First Baptist Church in McCamey on December 23. She is with her husband at Bryan, Texas, where he is a senior at Texas A&M.

—PHOTO BY JOHNSON

Grand Theatre To Have 'Let There Be Light' For One Day Only, Thursday, January 13th

The Grand Theatre will present for one day only, next Thursday, Jan. 13, "Let There Be Light." This all new Hollywood production starring Cheryl Walker, is said to be one of the greatest educational films ever made. It deals in factual knowledge of social hygiene, today's disastrous problems of unwed motherhood, sexual delinquency and the answers to this great moral problem.

In addition to the bold screen story unfolded with its powerful moral lesson, "Let There Be Light" brings to the screen factual and authentic medical sequences.

Units of the all New Hygiene show, "Let There Be Light," carry their own nurses with the picture. The young ladies are present to aid any who find the powerful medical sequences in the picture overcoming. Oftentimes

patrons do faint, the theatre management has been warned. Nurses also assist with the crowds, and answer questions many patrons like to ask.

"Let There Be Light" is presented to segregated audiences only. Adults—no children under 14 years of age will be admitted unless accompanied by their parent.

"Let There Be Light" is an all new release, but already has captured many theatre attendance records and the local management is preparing to handle capacity crowds.

Guests of the Bert Payne's at the Upton Station Shell Camp during the holidays were James Ramey and Mrs. M. M. Marlar of Waco.

Joel Starnes of Fort Worth is visiting in the county this week.

IN THE NEWS



Chevrolet's biggest newspaper advertising campaign will use 5,972 dailies and weeklies to announce new models January 22. Dwarling Toni Banish, here's what 5,972 newspapers look like, each representing an individual publication.

Among Rankin's holiday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alvin Holmes of Freer, Texas, who visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Blue and family went to Shamrock, Texas, Friday night to spend the Christmas weekend with Mrs. Blue's mother. The family returned on Sunday.

Dr. J. C. Bredehoft spent several days recently visiting relatives and friends in Boerne, Texas, his former home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Richardson of Fort Stockton were guests of Mrs. Richardson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burleson, for the New Year's weekend. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Richardson's sister, Miss Dorothy Burleson, and Mrs. W. C. Winkler and daughter.



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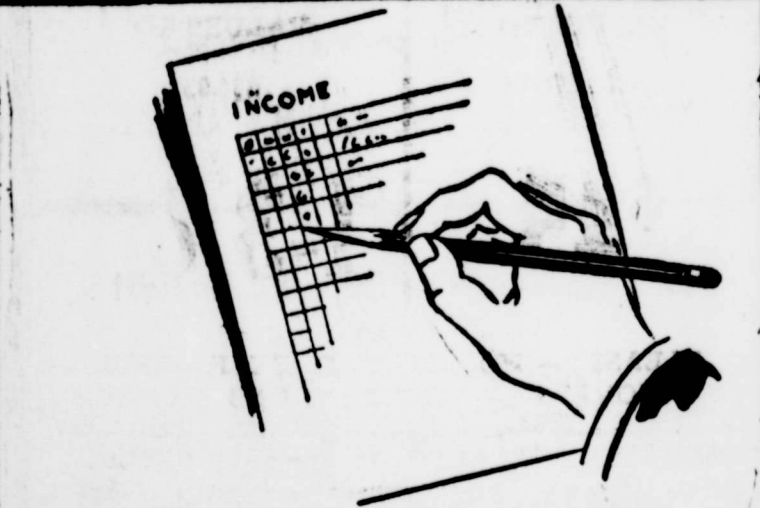
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 1949

Four Drinking Fountains Installed In School During Holiday Season For The New Year

Four new drinking fountains were installed during the Christmas holidays. The two fountains downstairs are approximately two feet high and they are not very comfortable for the high school students to use. The two fountains upstairs are approximately three feet high. The students appreciate these fountains very much and hope that many more things can be improved in the school before the end of school. Also new wash basins were installed in the rest rooms.

THE IDEAL BOY SHOULD HAVE

The hair of Theo.
The grin of Coach
The physique of Jimmy
The walk of Fields
The eyes of Billy
The complexion of Toad
The teeth of Harry Gene
The dimples of Ted
The mouth of Zachary
The legs of Don
The humor of James
The brains of Bill Hurn
The personality of Dee Aun
The nose of Dillard
The smile of Donald Mac
The ears of Andy
The feet of Paul

NICK-NAMES

Virginia—Whiskey
Marlene—Hobble
Joveta—Torchy
Ruthie—Roberto
Wanda—Hunsinger—Nannie
Theo—Bachelor
Jimmy—Sot
James—Lover Boy
Mona Sue—Blondie
Donald McEwen—Juan
Mr. Dixon—Whistle Bait
Mr. Fitzgerald—Fitz
Mrs. Reynolds—Shorty
Mrs. Schmidt—Red
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Norma Jo—Back Space
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Ted—Dimples
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WHAT IF?

Martha burned her typewriter up in class Monday.
Virginia chased boys (named Jimmy).
Mr. Still opened the door just at the wrong time.
Jimmy wanted to know what color Jo's eyes were.
James laughed Frankenstein style in the show and bothered poor Marlene, who ALWAYS is such a good girl.
Joveta and Marlene are trying to learn to laugh like Dagwood.
The staff members just couldn't remember what some words mean.
James had a new belt with his name on it, and he shows it off too much in bookkeeping class to suit Joveta.
Marlene's horse has the cutest name.
It rained shoes in the early morning study hall.

Orchids And Onions

Orchids to Jimmy Workman for going to Merton on New Year's night.
Onions to James Gamblin for gaining the new title "Lover Boy."
Orchids to Virginia for not drinking any alcoholic beverages over the holidays.
Orchids to Joveta for going straight home after church Sunday night.
Onions to Jimmy for visiting LaWanda just in time to irritate Ross.
Orchids to Martha Etta for getting married.
Onions to Toad for letting Jean wear his jacket.
Orchids to Bob F. for leaving dear old Rankin.
Onions to J. R. for moving to Big Spring.
Orchids to Bob White for installing the new drinking fountains.
Onions to Bob White for not having any hot water Monday afternoon.
Orchids to the new students of RHS.
Onions to Theo for not staying at home Christmas Day.
Orchids to Donald for not burning up his typewriter on a five-minute speed test.

Mid-Term Exams

The mid-term exams will be the 18th and 19th of this month. They will follow the probable line of the last six weeks tests and they will be two hour exams.

Basketball Schedule

The Red Devils will play in their home court tonight and will clash with Barnhart in the conference game with them for the season. The weekend of the 21st and 22nd is the week that they attend the Reagan County tournament there in Big Lake. This will be a tough contest and Rankin hopes to go far in this event. The week after, they attend the Imperial tournament. They will be high among rank with teams present and probably will come out with high honors.

Seniors Expect Rings

The seniors are expecting their class rings by the 19th of this month. The seniors will be very proud of their rings because they are very pretty and nice.

THE GUEST STAR

Hello, folks, this is Ruthie Elliott, introducing for this week, Jimmy Workman, a junior in the high school. Jimmy is better known as "Cobby." He was born in Texon, lives in Rankin, and he doesn't know where he will die.

Jimmy has black hair, yellow eyes, is 5' 9", weighs 145 lbs. and wears a size 8 shoe. His hobby is collecting horses (miniature horses, that is).

He likes Red Hudsons, pretty women, RHS, chocolate malts, Lucky Strikes, Travis Clubs, Seagram 7, scarfs, money, loud socks, loud ties, basketball, his new niece, Pabst in the can.

He dislikes Schreiner Institute, "Ginny" with the light brown hair, feeding chickens, and embarrassing situations.

His only statement is: "Don't get married until you at least reach the mature age of—shall I say—15."

GUESS WHO?

She is 5 feet tall and has a luscious figure. She has brown hair and hazel eyes. She never has more than three crushes at a time. And she is a guard on the basketball team.

Last week's Guess Who was Virginia Still.

Tom Workman flew to Fort Stockton on business for the Ranchers Wool and Mohair Assn. on Wednesday.

THE RED DEVIL STAFF

Editor-in-Chief.....James Gamblin
Associate Editor.....Theo Blue
Sports Editors.....Joveta Yocham, Theo Blue
Society Editor.....Martha Schlager
Class News.....Ruthie Elliott
Proof Reader.....Virginia Still
Feature Writer.....Jimmy Workman

New Pupils In R. H. S.

With the return of students to RHS after the Christmas holidays, the enrollment increased in number with the arrival of new students. These new students were warmly welcomed into the fold of RHS students and were immediately taken as friends by all. Two of these new students who are enrolled in the junior class are Choc and Harley Romine from Kermit. A new sophomore boy from McCamey is Victor McVay.

It seems that new families are pouring in with the growth of our new oil field. RHS is hungry for more students and they promise growth in the athletic departments, more school spirit, bigger and better activities and more new light on the "old subjects."

There are also new students in the lower grades who will some day fill the high school. There are three in the seventh, one in the sixth, two in the fifth, three in the fourth, one in the third and three in the first.

The whole school is proud of their new friends and look forward anxiously to the arrival of others.

DEVILS PITCHFORK

Marlene, whose socks are you wearing?

Jean regrets to inform the world that she is returning Toad's jacket.

Virginia, why are you so lonesome? Is it because Rusty went back to college?

Wanda, why did Ross go home so soon? Is it because you were afraid that he would find out about your Rankin boy friends?

Joveta, is it true that you and Don have come most of the way on the parting of the ways? What were you doing Sunday night?

Ruthie, who are you getting so many letters from?

Mary Beth and Anne Shaw have been participating in a shoe throwing contest. It is getting quite dangerous and also hard on Betty Anne's shoes.

Wanda, Marlene, Joveta and Ruthie have been heart-broken lately because a certain Rankin citizen hasn't spoken or chased them lately.

Wanda B., how are you getting along with your Yours-Truthy?

Zackery, what was Wanda and Jean doing in your car on the Midland hill last Saturday evening?

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