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B & P W Club Appoints Nominating Committee For New Officers

Rankin's Business and Professional Women's Club met for their business-luncheon meeting Thursday noon, with twenty-three in attendance.

Easter lilies, nests of colored eggs and individual baskets of pastry filled with whipped cream and vari-colored grapes decorated the luncheon tables.

President Lelia Workman presided and Miss Helen Ross was voted to membership in the club. Mrs. Leah Johnson, Chairman of the International Relations Committee, presented the club with a lovely calendar and booklet which had been sent by the women in Holland who received a Christmas box from Rankin's Business and Professional Women this past year.

The president appointed a nominating committee composed of Mrs. Jane Still, Miss Maggie Taylor and Mrs. Gena Johnson for the election of officers to be held May 10th. She also appointed Miss Myrna Holman, Mrs. Alma Adams and Mrs. Jackie Pollard as a committee to meet with the general committee at a later date for the planning of ceremonies dedicating and opening the new Community Building. Announcement was made of a meeting to be held in Rankin the night of May 16th, at which time Mrs. Charley Ward, State President of Business and Professional Women's Clubs will be present, along with other state and district officials. B & P W Clubs from surrounding towns will be invited to that meeting by the local organization.

In attendance at Thursday's meeting were Flora Shaw, Estell Haral, Gladys Carter, Louise Anderson, Leah Johnson, Mary Ann Workman, Myrna Holman, Lena Workman, Opal Nix, Ruth Holcomb, Christine Yocham, Zola McSpadden, Helen Ross, Gertrude Rhorick, Monnie Ray McSpadden, Leola Hurn, Rosalie Shiller, Opal Dickson, Alma Adams, Clois Baxter, Mae Price, Polly Stephenson, and Blanche Mitchell.

"A Ready Made Family" To Be Given By Juniors On April 22

The Junior Class of Rankin High School is practicing faithfully on the play "A Ready Made Family", which will be presented in the High School Auditorium Thursday night, April 22nd. The production is being directed by the class sponsor, Coach Fitzgerald, assisted by Mrs. Fitzgerald.

Gove The Range Plants A Chance, Says Specialist

COLLEGE STATION.—In many areas of Texas, range lands were overstocked last year, and the bad effects from this practice will last for several years, says A. H. Walker, extension range specialist of Texas A&M College.

Overgrazing not only makes it harder for the value range grasses and plants to grow and make seed, but it also causes the soil to pack. This means less pore space in the soil and a lighter covering of litter on top of the ground. Ranges in this condition receive little benefit from the hard, dashing showers that are common to Texas during most of the year. On the other hand, reminds Walker, ranges that have been only moderately grazed have a turf that will slow down the run-off and will give the water a chance to soak into the soil. Such range land will soak up water from two to four times as fast as overgrazed ranges.

Less run-off means less erosion and more water in the soil. The increase in the stored water supply in the soil and the saving of valuable topsoil makes range plants grow larger and better. And any ranchman will tell you that more grass means a larger calf crop, heavier calves at weaning time, lower feed costs and better conditioned breeding cows in the herd.

It is always well, says Walker, to think in terms of future effects on the range when you are stocking a pasture. It is better still to make a close check on the amount and kinds of forage plants growing on the range and then stock in proportion to the amount of vegetation available. Light to moderate stocking will give the more desirable plants and grasses a chance to produce.

PROGRAM POSTPONED

Announcement was made this week by Cleona Quiett that the High School Choral Club Program which had been scheduled for Friday night, April 15, had been postponed until next Tuesday evening, April 19.

The change was made to avoid conflict with religious services being held in Rankin this week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Workman and Cathy Ann will spend Easter with Mrs. Workman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Koerting of Dumas in other members of the family.

BAPTIST MEETING ENDS SUNDAY

The meetings at the First Baptist Church which are being conducted by Rev. Hal C. Wingo of San Antonio will continue through Easter Sunday. Mr. James Vinson of Texon is leading the singing for the meetings.

Gamma Gamma Chapter To Have Convention

Celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Delta Kappa Gamma, national honorary for women teachers, members of 99 Texas chapters will attend a state convention in Houston on April 29 to May 1. The organization, which now numbers 35,000 members in 890 chapters throughout the country, was founded in 1929 in Austin by the late Dr. Annie Webb Blanton and a group of 11 women educators.

Seven summer school scholarships—\$50 at each of the seven Texas state teachers' colleges—and one \$700 scholarship to be used at the University of Texas during 1949-1950 will be awarded at this convention. Application blanks may be secured from Sarah Miltia Hill, chairman of the state committee on scholarships, at Sul Ross College, Alpine, Texas. Any of the 5000 Texas members of Delta Kappa Gamma may apply.

Miss Phyllis Ellis of Fort Worth, the state president, has announced that three major speakers at the convention will be Mrs. Eunah Holden, former president of the Florida Delta Kappa Gamma; Mrs. V. Y. Rejebian, radio commentator from Dallas; and Mrs. Julius Waring Walker, Plainview. Mrs. Holden will speak on "Ideals and Ideals" at the presidents' dinner on April 29; Mrs. Walker will address the birthday luncheon on April 30, and Mrs. Rejebian will review Fulton J. Sheen's "Communism And The Conscience Of The World" at the Founders' Day banquet on April 30 at the Shamrock Hotel.

The two Houston chapters, led by Mrs. Kate Bell and Miss Naomi Ekman, will sponsor a trip to the San Jacinto battlefield on May 1. Miss Mildred McGregor, state corresponding secretary, is general chairman.

Mrs. S. R. Braly is publicity chairman for the chapter in this district.

Fifty Registrations Received For Area Girl Scout Camp

Fifty registrations have already been accepted for the first two camping periods of the Permian Basin area girl scout camp it has been announced by Mrs. J. H. Starley of Pecos.

Six camping periods between June 6, and July 30, have been scheduled.

The camp is located in Fern Canyon near Mitre Peak between Alpine and Fort Davis and is situated in the heart of the Davis Mountains.

Mrs. Starley said this week that all registered girl scouts wanting to attend camp should send in their applications as soon as possible. Registered girl scouts not under the Permian Basin council will be placed on a "first come, first served" application basis.

Camp applications may be secured from girl scout leaders in Permian Basin cities.

Fees for each camp period are \$14 per week, \$4 of which is due with camp application. The balance is due in the Girl Scout Office, 117 West Second Street, Pecos, by May 15th.

Girls not under the Permian Basin council will be required to pay \$16 per week of which \$5 must be mailed with application blanks. Application blanks may be obtained by writing to the girl scout office in Pecos.

All camping periods begin on Mondays but officials have announced that parents finding it impossible to bring their children then may bring them Sunday afternoons after 2 p. m. An adequate staff will be on hand to receive the children on Sundays. Each girl will be responsible for her own transportation.

All checks should be made payable to the Permian Basin Area Girl Scout Camp. There is no refund of enrollment fee. However, the balance of the fee will be refunded if registration is cancelled two weeks prior to assigned camping period.

Camping periods are set up as follows:

- First Period A. M. June 6 to P. M. June 13 for Intermediates.
- Second Period A. M. June 20 to P. M. June 25 for Brownies.
- Third Period A. M. June 27 to P. M. July 2 for Brownies.
- Fourth Period A. M. July 4 to P. M. July 9 for Intermediates.
- Fifth Period A. M. July 11 to P. M. July 23 for Intermediates.
- Sixth Period A. M. July 25 to P. M. July 30 for seniors.

Merit System Council Announce Exams For Saturday, May 7

The Merit System Council, which serves as a "clearing house" for positions in the State Department of Public Welfare and the Texas Employment Commission will hold open competitive examinations on May 7, 1949, for a number of positions now open in those agencies, according to Chas. S. Gardiner, Director of the Merit System Council.

There is an increasing need for workers in the State Department of Public Welfare and the Texas Employment Commission. The immediate need for professional workers consist of Field Worker, with the Public Assistance Program; Child Welfare Worker and Senior Child Welfare Worker, with the Child Welfare Program; and Interviewer III with the Texas Employment Commission.

Stenographic and clerical needs consist of Stenographer II, Junior Stenographer, Clerk-Typist, Clerk IV, Apprentice Clerk, and Key Punch Operator.

The Council points out that applications for these examinations must be made on an official application blank which may be obtained from local agency offices or by writing to the Merit System Council, 808 Tribune Building, Austin, Texas.

The closing date for submission of applications is April 16.

John Ann Lowery of Texas Tech, Lubbock is spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery.

Rankin Students Win Places In District Meet At Iraan

Mexican Officers Enroute to Kashmir for U.N.



A group of Mexican Army officers, assigned to the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan as military observers in disputed Kashmir, visit United Nations Headquarters at Lake Success before leaving on their mission. Alberto Innocente Alvarez of Cuba (center), President of the Security Council, greeted the visitors.

INDEX OF TEXAS BUSINESS ACTIVITY SHOWS DECLINE IN FEBRUARY

Continuing the downward trend in February, the index of business activity in Texas dropped 2 per cent from January after adjustment for seasonal variation, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported. With the exception of small increases in November and December, the Bureau's index has been declining since August when it reached a post-war high of 233 per cent of the 1935-39 base period.

Dr. John R. Stockton, statistician for the Bureau, said the widespread nature of the decline throughout the various phases of the economic activity of the State, combined with the fact that business all over the country is showing the same kind of weakness, gives rise to the belief that a major turning point in business activity is at hand.

Whether or not this is the turning point in a major cycle of business, or is a minor cyclical decline such as the last quarter of 1937, cannot be determined this early in the decline, Dr. Stockton stated. The composite index has dropped only two times since 1935 for enough consecutive months to represent more than an erratic fluctuation in business. Since one of these declines, in the last half of 1945, represented the period of reconversion from the expanded war production, there has been only a cyclical recession in business activity since 1935. It is generally considered that the upswing in business after the long decline of the early thirties began in March 1933, which means that for 16 years the level of business activity has been expanding almost all of the time.

All but one of the components of the composite index of Texas business declined in February. Miscellaneous freight carloadings dropped 12 per cent; department and apparel store sales and pay rolls, 4 per cent; crude oil runs to stills, 2 per cent; and employment, a fractional dip. The only component to rise was electric power consumption, which was up 5 per cent.

Dr. Stockton said the decline that has been under way since last August has carried three of the components to levels below that of February 1948. Miscellaneous freight carloadings were down 17 per cent from a year ago, and crude runs to stills and department and apparel store sales were down fractionally from February 1948. Electric power consumption and pay rolls were up 11 per cent from a year earlier; and, employment, 5 per cent.

Retail trade in February showed a substantial rise from the January level, with the Bureau's index rising 4 per cent after adjustment for seasonal variation. It is significant that all of the increase in the index

of retail sales was in the sales of durable goods stores. The sales of nondurable goods stores declined less than 1 per cent from January, while sales of durable goods stores increased 12 per cent.

Building activity as measured by permits issued in February registered a substantial rise to cury the Bureau's seasonally adjusted index up 12 per cent from January. However, this level is still considerably below the rate of building during 1948, and it was down 21 per cent from February 1948.

Outlook Given For Coming Year By Agent

The basic framework of the agricultural outlook for 1949, according to W. M. Day, Jr., Upton County Agent:

1. Net farm and ranch income prospects down some from 1948, but are better for 1949 than for any of the next five years.
2. Total agricultural production in 1949 may sag a little but over the 5-year period, it should hit new records.
3. Cash outlays by farmers and ranchmen for fixed investments and operating needs have increased tremendously and likely will increase more.
4. Prices of livestock and livestock products generally probably will average some lower in 1949, particularly during the last quarter. Prices of basic crops likely will average considerably lower than first half of 1948, and a little lower than last half.
5. In such crops as cotton, grain and peanuts, increasing surpluses are probable. If heavy surpluses do appear, acreage controls and marketing quotas will be employed.
6. A continuation of favorable feeding ratios in 1949, and the chances are pretty good, is likely to stimulate greatly the poultry, hog egg, and milk production.

Thus for the near future we face an agriculture characterized by:

1. Lower net farm and ranch incomes.
2. Heavy cash outlays per farm.
3. Continued high total production.
4. Sizable shifts in certain cash crops.
5. More participation due by government in production and marketing matters.
6. Greater competition for the farmer not using his resources fully and efficiently.

Joan Edwards Remains Unconscious

Sunday, April 17th will mark the end of the third month of unconsciousness for Joan Edwards. Joan remains in an Odessa hospital, with members of the family constantly at the bedside.

Superintendent Still announced the following winners at the District meet of District 86-B held in Iraan last Wednesday.

In the literary division Mary Anderson and Nancy McGill placed first in the team spelling for the 5th and 6th grades.

Ann Shaw and Nola Grace Boyd placed third in spelling for the 7th and 8th grades.

Princilla Walcher placed first in story telling.

Mayetta Higgins placed second in number sense.

Theo Blue placed third in typing, and Virginia Still fourth in typing.

In the athletic division Norman Yocham placed second in the 100 yard dash; third in 50 yard dash, and fourth in broad jump.

Billy Zachary placed fourth in the 440 yard race.

In tennis Mayetta Higgins placed first in junior high singles, and Don Still and Bill Hurn placed second in junior high doubles.

HELPFUL HINTS

BY MYRNA HOLMAN

Eggs For The Easter Hunt

The Easter eggs, whether brought by the bunny or colored in your own kitchen, will be fine for children and grown-ups alike if properly prepared. In fact two of them will give 20 percent of the day's protein requirement, 6 per cent of the calcium, 18 per cent of the phosphorus, 26 per cent of the iron, and from 12 to 24 per cent of the various vitamins needed for one day.

Since the protein in eggs is complete, they make a good main dish. Whether the shell is brown or white has no effect on quality but the manner of cooking does. Be sure the Easter eggs are hard cooked not hard boiled. One good method is to place the eggs in pan covering completely with cold or lukewarm water. Bring rapidly to boiling and reduce heat to keep water below simmering and hold for about 20 minutes. The breakfast eggs would be prepared in the same manner leaving them in the water from two to four minutes.

Here's a tip on frying the egg. Use just enough fat to grease the skillet. Break eggs into skillet, reduce heat immediately, cook until edges turn white, then add 1-2 teaspoon water for each egg. Cover skillet tightly to hold in steam and cook to desired doneness. Your egg will be done to a turn without being greasy and without any necessity for turning or basting.

Uplift For Outside Jobs

Don't forget that comfortable working heights are just as important outside the kitchen and laundry as inside them. A sturdy bench or table conveniently near the back door or in the garage can take the stoop out of many spring jobs which too often are done uncomfortably and inefficiently on the ground. For example window screen and garden furniture can be painted more easily when set up at a convenient height. The principles that hold for indoor work apply outside too. Indoors or out, work is easier, faster, and pleasanter when done without stooping.

Building Plans

Do you need a plan for anything from a house to a barbecue furnace? Chances are the home demonstration agent or county agricultural agent can get it for you. They have a new catalog chock full of all kinds of plans, for example, 19 plans for five room houses, 10 plans for six room houses, and just about everything else from barns to cattle feeders. Any of these plans may be secured by contacting one of the county agents.

Helen Calcote is home from Texas Tech to spend the Easter Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Calcote.



MISS ANNA LOU WADE of McCamey, extreme right, was a finalist for the title of Moonlight Girl of Phi Sigma Kappa social fraternity at the University of Texas. Others are, left to right, Ellen Anne Saylor of San Angelo, Dorothy Sue Miller of Crosby, Billie Louise Luckett of New Braunfels, who won the title, Margaret Sue Sommers of Dallas, and Miss Wade. Miss Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wade of McCamey, is a freshman interior decoration student. She is a member of Alpha Phi social sorority.

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RIGHTS MUST BE EARNED

Albert S. Goss, Master of The National Grange, has written a telling editorial on the important subject of "Human Rights Versus Human Responsibility." He points out that the General Assembly of the United Nations has officially stressed rights which are theoretically owed the individual by the state, such as the right to rest and leisure, protection against unemployment, housing and medical care and other forms of social security.

Then Mr. Goss writes: "We believe the United Nations is tackling the whole question of human rights wrong end first. . . . What the world really needs is a declaration of Human Responsibility! People need to learn that they cannot expect something for nothing. Furthermore, self-government falls when a majority fails to realize that they must contribute as much as they take out. For example, the impossible economic situation in France today is the result of the people demanding more of the government than they give. . . ."

"It is high time we return to the simple philosophy of willingness to work."

One great difficulty that must be met by the framers of any United Nations declaration of policy is that they must satisfy scores of nations and governments which subscribe to every kind and form of political theory. However, the peoples of the free countries, the United States included, have gone a long way down the deadly path that leads to complete governmental domination of our lives. The 'gimme' spirit has reached tragic proportions. And so has the idea that government 'owes' us protection against every possible exigency. . . .

To quote Mr. Goss again, "Rights must be earned through the exercising of responsibility." In a free country, the people support their government, and give it orders. In a dictatorship, the government takes over the people, and gives them orders. The distinction is that simple.

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Bogus Checks Given In Rankin, McCamey

Deputy Sheriff Earl McWilliams warned the merchants of Upton County, and surrounding communities that an unidentified man has passed checks in McCamey and Rankin the past week.

The man cashed two checks on the Fitzpatrick-Warde Drilling Company of Houston, both in the amount of \$65.33. A check up disclosed that no such company is now in existence.

The man endorsed the checks by the name of J. C. Carter.

Mrs. Gibson Presides Over H.D.A. In El Paso

Mrs. Fred Gibson, Vice President for District Six of the Texas Home Demonstration Association presided as master of ceremonies at a district meeting in El Paso April 5 and 6.

Speakers for the meeting were Miss Maureen Hearn, Vice Director for women and State H. D. A. who gave the greetings from Texas A & M Extension Service, Miss Sallie Hill, Editor of the Home Dept. Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Ala. who spoke on "Let's Visit with our Worldwide Neighbors." Mrs. Gus Rogas, past president of State H.D.A.; Miss Ella Calfee, vice president at large of the State H.D.A.; Mr. Floyd Lynch, 4-H Specialist from extension service and Mrs. Grace Martin, District Agent of District 6 of Ft. Stockton.

Delegates and visitors from 16 counties were represented. Local women who attended from McCamey included: Mmes. Gibson, J. R. O'Callahan, G. W. Huffman, J. Lee West, Roy Boucher, J. T. Gibbs, Lonie Burnett, Joe Hudson, Bryant Jones, Ed Cox and Miss Myrna Hollman of Rankin.

The meetings were held in the Victory room of the Chamber of Commerce building. The theme of the association was "Better Homes Make a Better World".

Tuesday afternoon the El Paso County H. D. Council escorted the delegates on a tour of Juarez, concluding with a dinner and floor show at the El Tivoli Cafe.

SPORTS AFIELD

By Tod Kesting

Here's good news for campers. You can throw away those smoke covered, bulky pots and pans. The open fire cook has a new friend in the form of pure aluminum rolled into thin, flexible sheets. All you have to do is wrap the food in this foil and place it on the coals to cook.

Practically anything you have been cooking in the open can be handled by this new method—meat, fowls, fish and vegetables such as potatoes, carrots, sweet potatoes, onions, turnips, and fruit such as apples and bananas.

There's nothing to it, merely slice or dice the larger vegetables, season, wrap in three thicknesses of foil, place on the hot embers for about ten minutes. The foil cools rapidly and can be used as plates.

If you prefer to cook the vegetables or larger pieces of meat whole, allow about an hour cooking time. Even eggs can be wrapped in foil and cooked to suit your taste. Biscuits can be baked singly in the foil, or the foil can be shaped into a reflector oven by reinforcing it with green sticks.

Just think of these advantages that foil gives: No more dishes to wash; and besides being used

as plates, it can be shaped into bowls and cups.

No more bulk or weight in your packsack. The compact, lightweight roll of foil is about one foot long and two inches in diameter.

Food in your packsack will stay in better condition packed in this airtight, waterproof manner, and leftovers can be saved from meal to meal. Food cooks faster this way and tastes better because the foil seals in moisture and natural flavors are not lost during cooking. Food will be cleaner—no more ashes in the stew or charred wood on the steak.

This new miracle-working foil was called to our attention by Paul W. Moore, an ardent outdoorsman. He reports that it is now available in hardware and department stores.

Bill Midkiff Breaks Arm In Fall From Horse Last Sunday

Bill Midkiff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Midkiff, is in a Midland hospital. Bill suffered a multiple fracture of his left arm when he was thrown from a horse in Crane last Sunday and will undergo an operation on his arm Friday in Midland.



From where I sit... by Joe Marshall

There'll Always Be a "Gawker"

"Harry the Hermit," as he's called, came into town last week and, as usual, caused quite a stir. He looks like a cross between Santa Claus and Daniel Boone.

We had a friendly glass of beer together and I asked him, "Don't you ever get annoyed at the way some people laugh and stare as you go by?" "Shucks no," Harry says. "Only while they're laughin' at me, I'm feelin' a mite sorry for them. Imagine—folks so ungrateful they can't see I'm really just the same as they are underneath."

From where I sit, Harry's a lot more "civilized" than the people who make fun of him. He's contented, lives the way he believes is right without harming anyone—and what's more, he's tolerant of others whose tastes in living are different from his.

Maybe we all don't look the same, or act the same, or eat or drink the same, but in a free country, why should we?

Joe Marshall

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SWAN SOAP, lge bar	2 bars	25c
BRIGHT & EARLY COFFEE	lb.	37c
Chuck Wagon BEANS	can	11c
TOMATOES	No. 2 can	10c
HUNTS - IN HEAVY SYRUP PEACHES	No. 1 tall can	17c

Carrots	3 Bunches	10c
Radishes	3 Bunches	10c
Green Onions	3 Bunches	10c
Tomatoes	Carton	22c
Green Beans	Pound	17c
Florida Grapefruit	Pound	7c

Shortening	3 lb. ctn.	59c
Admiration Coffee	lb.	55c
DURKEE'S Colored Oleo	lb.	39c
Pinto Beans	2 lb. bag	19c
ARMOUR'S STAR VIENNAS	can	17c
FORT HOWARD Toilet Tissue	2 rolls	17c
SUGAR		
	5 lbs.	45c --- 10 lbs. 89c

Peyton's Del Norte Sliced Bacon	Pound	59c
Longhorn CHEESE	Pound	39c
Armour's Star - Half or Whole HAMS	Pound	69c
Chuck or Seven Beef Roast	Pound	49c
Armour's Star or Peyton's Pure Pork SAUSAGE	1 lb. Roll	39c
TREET	Can	41c

Rodriguez Trial Is Transferred To Reagan

District Judge Alan Fraser transferred the case of the State of Texas vs. Juan Rodriguez to Big Lake last week. He will be tried for the murder of Gene Robinson north of McCamey last week.

It is believed that the case was transferred because two companion cases have been tried in this county, and the possibility of securing another jury would be hard to get.

Rodriguez was given a five-year sentence last week in a trial in Rankin for the murder of Ben Johnson.

The trial in Big Lake has been set for Monday, March 18, according to information in Rankin, a 50 man special venire has been called from which the jury will be selected.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holcombe of Pecos visited Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Cox and other friends in Rankin last week-end.

Sam McGoo and Texas Too at the News Office.

Car Registrations "Up" In Upton County

Revenue from the registration of motor vehicles in Upton County jumped over 30 per cent over the same period in 1948, according to information released from the Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector's office this week. On April 1 of this year, a total of \$44,579.22 went into the tills of the county, while on the same date a year ago, the figure stood at \$33,807.01.

Breakdown of the two years show the following increase of 1949 over the past year:

1949	
Passenger Cars	1,375
Commercial Trucks	417
Farm Trucks	117
Trailers	124
Dealers	5
Motorcycles	10
2,048	
1948	
Passenger Cars	1,130
Commercial Trucks	343
Farm Trucks	63
Trailers	114
Dealers	5
Motorcycles	10
1,665	

Rankin Man Is Given \$100 Fine, 10 Days In Jail On DWI Charge

D. I. Thornton of Rankin was given a \$100 fine and ten days in the county jail in the County Court of Judge G. H. "Bud" Fisher on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Thornton pleaded guilty to the charge.

On the occasion, he admitted hitting the rear of a car occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wilkinson of Texon and overturned his own car just east of McCamey on Highway No. 87. The offense occurred March 1.

4-H Club Boys Practice For District Meet

County Agent W. M. Day, Jr., and three of the 4-H Club members of the livestock judging team from Upton County went to Midland last Saturday where the boys practiced judging livestock in preparation for competition in the district tournament.

Agent Day and Bobby Johnson of McCamey, and Fields Branch and Lloyd Yocham, both of Rankin, will go to Ozona Saturday of this week to practice the judging of wool.

The district tournament will be held at Texas Tech in Lubbock on June 4. Winners of first and second places will be eligible to compete in the state tournament to be held at Texas A&M on June 13.

Sul Ross Lobos Announce Schedule For 1950 Grid Year

Danny J. Pollock, director of athletics at Sul Ross State Teachers College, has announced a ten-game football schedule for the 1949 Lobos who will begin their spring training under Coaches Paul E. "Red" Pierce and William H. "Jack" Perryman on April 19 and run through May 19.

Due to the success of the 1948 squad that made a Bowl Game in Orlando, Florida, many new recruits are expected to try out this spring.

1949 SCHEDULE

September 17—Sam Houston State College, Alpine; September 24—New Mexico Military Institute, Alpine; October 1—Eastern New Mexico State College, Portales; October 8—Oklahoma Panhandle A & M, Alpine; October 15—Trinity University, San Antonio; October 22—University of Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi; October 29—Texas A & I, Alpine—**HOMECOMING**; November 5—McMurry College vs. Sul Ross, Monahans, Texas; November 12—New Mexico State Teachers College, Silver City, and November 19—St. Michael's College, Alpine.

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To look your best and be in Style get the latest hair do at L. M. Jones Beauty Parlor.

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FOR SALE BUILDINGS

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PYOTE, TEXAS.

ORDINANCE NO. 61

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE TYPE AND KIND OF CONSTRUCTION THAT MAY BE ERECTED OR MOVED INTO THE FIRE ZONE IN THE CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS. PRESCRIBING THE THICKNESS OF WALLS OF SUCH STRUCTURES, AND PROVIDING THAT BUILDINGS ERECTED IN SAID FIRE ZONE BE CONSTRUCTED OF FIRE PROOF MATERIALS, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES, AND PUBLISHING SAID ORDINANCE IN SUMMARY ONLY.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Rankin, a summary of the provisions of said ordinance provides that buildings constructed in the fire zone from this date be of fire proof materials. That the walls of said buildings be not less than six inches in thickness. That no building may be moved within the fire zone that does not conform to the provisions of this ordinance, and that the owner or contractor moving any building into the fire zone must first secure a permit from the City Secretary of the City of Rankin.

That the penalties for violation of any provision be not less than \$5.00, nor more than \$100.00. Each day's violation constitutes a new and separate offense.

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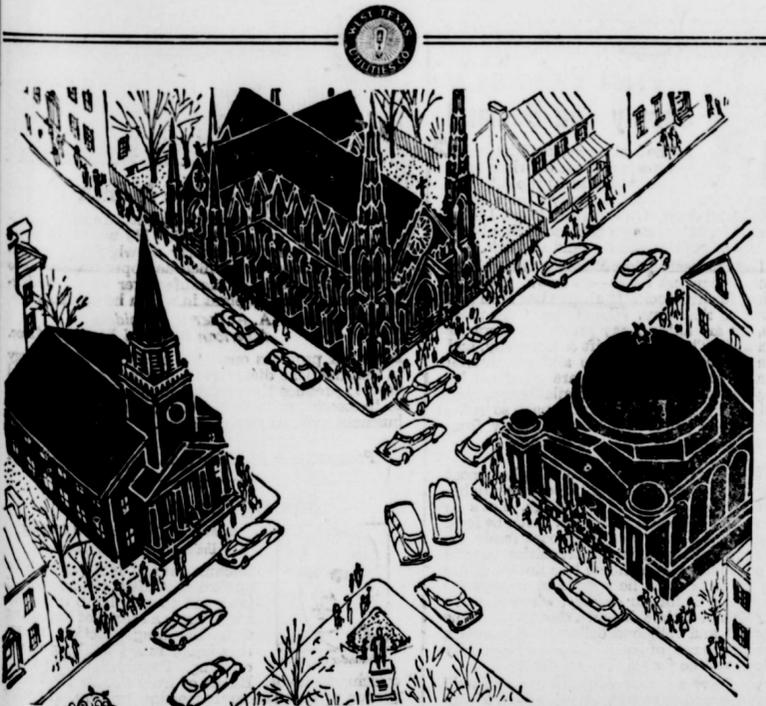
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INTERSCHOLASTIC WINNERS IN DISTRICT MEET INCLUDE RANKIN STUDENTS

In the interscholastic events at Iran Wednesday the tennis meet at Crane Monday, and the Track events at Iran Saturday, Rankin placed the following men in these events: Mary Anderson and Nancy McGill 1st. in spelling in the 5th and 6th division; Ann Shaw, Nola Grace Boyd, 3rd. Spelling in 7-8 division; Priscilla Walcher 1st. story telling; Mayetta 2nd. number sense; Theo Blue 3rd. in typing, who will incidentally get to compete in the regional meet the 23 of this month; and Virginia Still 4th. in typing; Maryetta Higgins 1st. Jr. girls singles; Bill Hurn and Don Still 2nd. in boys Jr. doubles; Norman Yocham 2nd. 100-yd. dash, 3rd. 50-yd. dash 4th. broad-jump; Billy Dean Zachary 4th in 440.

Rankin is proud of these contestants and are happy to recognize their abilities.

Preference Tests Are Given Seniors and Faculty Last Week

The seniors and faculty were given preference tests by the San Angelo Junior College representatives last week. They took the tests on Thursday last week and the representatives called to consult with the takers on Wednesday of this week. Everyone was well pleased with what the tests showed that they should be for, that is what all or most of them plan to study in college. The San Angelo people were very nice and they recommended their college to the seniors. They appreciated the trouble that SAC had taken to give them this privilege.

T. A. B. Picnic Fun

The T. A. B. held their annual party last Tuesday afternoon. They had a monstrous weiner roast at the roadside park about five miles east of Rankin. There was plenty of weiners and lemonade for everyone. Also they enjoyed a delightful book review given by Virginia Still. Virginia reviewed "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" just as the sun went down and the group saw the moon rise. After the review the party returned to town and some of them went to the revival which is highlighting their Baptist Church this week.

College Students Home For Easter Holidays

Most of the ex-students of Rankin are home this week-end for the Easter holidays. Of the students home are Bobby and Roy Bell, Travis Taylor, Ralph Daugherty, Jr., Mickey McDonald, Tommy Hall, and Gayle Gambin.

The R. H. S. students will observe no official vacation in school as they have had their share of holidays this term. They plan to turn out school earlier by not having any holidays. However they had a half a day Wednesday when some of the teachers went to Iran for the interscholastic meet held there.

FASHIONS CHANGE

The fashions have changed a great deal around R.H.S. Everyone of the boys are sporting new straw hats or shoes or something new. Airier clothes are taking their place with the coming of hot days ahead. The girls are wearing new spring frocks of print and scanty clothes indeed. Why the other day a girl came to school with a bare back and shoulders, she better be careful or she will blister. Also peeled noses are a new fashion around the school. But these boys and girls just can't go swimming in the cold tanks and keep their noses from peeling off. Looks natural though.

You also see quite a few couples out browsing around in the moonlight during these moonlight nights. You should have seen the mob looking at the eclipse the other night. It got totally dark but no one minded very much, unless it was the parents.

Our teachers have taken spring seriously also. Actually they have lightened up on their work. It is probably because their spring fever won't let them grade so many papers as usual. The

trouble is that everyone has quit studying, they think that school is almost out, it is, just 27 more days.

Sixth Grade Assembly Like Movie Wednesday

The sixth grade presented a program Wednesday a.m. at 10:30 to the enjoyment of all. The group presented a play detailing the Lewis and Clark expedition into the Louisiana Territory. Indians, hunters, and "Negro servants were in great style. The audience never saw such a performance in their life. Following the play the sixth led the congregation in some songs and there was a "hot time in the old gym."

Juniors Fry Steak

The junior class sponsored a classy steak fry at the roadside park east of Big Lake last Friday afternoon. Eight juniors were present to enjoy the food along with Coach and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Dickson, and the coaches' children. They had a wonderful time and wonderful food. If they all get fat everyone will know the reason why.

District Football Cited For '49-'50

Superintendent Hamilton Still, Coaches Fitzgerald and Dickson went to Sterling City Monday night for District 7 Football night for District 7 football meeting. Superintendent Jones of Sterling City was elected chairman. Paint Rock was admitted to this district for the coming term, and Rankin's ex-coach, Ashby happens to be coach of this school.

There are now nine teams in this district these being: Courtney, Forsan, Garden City, Sterling City, Watervally, Mertzon, Christoval, and Rankin. Rankin plans to schedule 10 games for the coming season. Initial is already scheduled and they still have one date open. The full schedule will appear soon in the Red Devil.



Look who's here — none other than that preerable gentleman Mr. Bunny, reminding us that Easter is only a hop, skip and a jump away. Time to buy a new bonnet for the big parade. Also time to buy Easter egg dye, for who wants to miss the annual party when all the family gathers to turn the kitchen into an artistry colony?

Solid colors are traditional in most families as well as name writing, but if you want some different suggestions for this Easter "show," consider these:

On pale pink or yellow eggs, draw eyes with a black crayon, cut a chicken beak from white paper and paste on. Then paste a feather on the back of the "head" for fetching headgear for this young chick. A bunny's features can be fashioned with crepe paper for those long, soft ears, two white gum reinforcements for his eyes and one pasted over crossed string to form his mouth and moustache.

Eggs as bright and colorful as an emperor's gems can be designed by pasting colored sequins on dyed eggs. Sapphires would be blue on blue, emeralds green on green, etc. Or abstract designs can be made from a combination of vari-colored sequins. Old hat trimmings can be fashioned into some very original decorations, too.

Children who are coloring eggs for the first time will have lots of fun using the package of certified food colors which includes a mystic wheel and about 50 transfers in addition to six basic colors. Simple directions are given on the back of the box for best results... but results, that is, for Easter eggs and order in the kitchen after the coloring and decorating operations are completed.

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Much has been done toward reducing these losses. New drugs and chemicals, such as the sulfas, penicillin and phenothiazine, are conquering livestock ailments, pests and parasites. But some of these causes of reduced production and profit are stubborn. To lick them will take increased knowledge, cooperation among neighbors and a constant watch for danger signs. But the increased earnings which can result from these efforts make them more than worth while. Production of healthy livestock is the only way to keep the markets for the meat you produce supplied and expanding. In solving your problems your local, state and federal veterinarians are good men to turn to for help.

Price Balances Supply and Demand

In the first six weeks of the year livestock and meat prices have dropped with great rapidity. In my 24 years with Swift & Company I have never seen so violent a drop. On the other hand, I have never seen prices start down from so high a level. It is the law of supply and demand at work.

When the wholesale prices of meat—the amount meat packers can get for it—go down, it means lower prices for livestock. It always has been and always will be that way. When demand for meat increases, we are able to pay producers more for their livestock. The prices Swift & Company, and the other 26,000 meat packers and commercial slaughterers, pay for livestock are governed by what they can get for the total available supply of meat and the by-products. As in the past, so in the future, livestock prices will result entirely from the balance between supply and demand.

Let's Be For Things Seems to me that most of us spend too much time and blood-pressure being against things. Let's be for things. Let's be for freedom of choice and initiative. Let's be for a system which allows a man to choose freely his own work, to make his own opportunities, to plan his own production. Which lets him decide where and how he lives; how he spends or invests his earnings. Let's be for our country, where a man's the boss of his own time, his own thoughts and his own political and religious beliefs. Let's take a good look at the rest of the world, then reverently thank God, and be for the United States.

Hope you have a prosperous summer, and we'll be looking forward to being with you again. Meanwhile, if you're in Chicago, plan to visit us at Swift & Company. All of us in the Agricultural Research Department cordially invite you to drop in for a chat. We'll be looking for you!

F.M. Simpson,
Agricultural Research Dept.

Quotes of the Month

The livestock producer, both by nature and by necessity, is a true conservationist. He would no more deliberately ruin the property on which he depends for his livelihood, and which he hopes to pass on to his children, than the manufacturer would deliberately tear down the plant in which he operates.

A. A. SMITH, President
American National Livestock Assoc.

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CHARLES A. BURMEISTER,
Production & Marketing Administration—USDA

Saving More Lambs

By Alexander Johnston, Wool Specialist
University of Wyoming, Laramie

Because every lamb grown to market maturity will now bring from \$15 to \$20, lamb mortality has become a source of increasing loss. Lambing practices reflect this. Open range lambing is decreasing. Pasture lambing is increasing in favor. Bands of from 500 to 1500 ewes are run in fenced separate meadow pasture. If spring storms are prevalent, shelter sheds are provided. The ewes lamb by themselves with little assistance.

Shed lambing is popular, especially when July or August fat lambs are desired. The lambing band is kept in a feed corral or small pasture adjacent to a lambing shed. When a ewe lambs, she and her "green" lamb are taken into the shed to an individual pen or "jug." After a day in the "jug," they are put in a larger pen with others. Gradually, over a period of 3 to 10 days, larger and larger units are merged. From the shed these bunches go out to green pastures or into feed yards until the pasture grows. Under this system of almost complete control, a very high percentage of lambs is saved.

The paddock system of lambing also is receiving favorable attention. Ewes, after they lamb, are transported from the range to the lambing shed by trailer. After a day or two in the shed, a small bunch is made up and turned into a small pasture with a shelter shed. In a day or two, several small bunches are merged and go into a larger pasture. This is repeated until at the end of two weeks or so, the summer bands are assembled.

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Martha Logan's Recipe for DELUXE CORNED BEEF HASH PATTIES

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1 can corned beef hash
2 tablespoons shortening
1/2 cup thinly sliced onion
2 tablespoons flour
1 No. 2 can peas (2 1/2 cups)
3/4 teaspoon salt

Melt 1 tablespoon shortening in a frying pan and brown onions lightly. Sprinkle flour over onions and combine thoroughly. Drain juice from peas (approximately 1 cup). Add salt and juice from peas to onions and flour. Cook until sauce has thickened. Add 1/2 cup peas, stirring gently. Open can of hash at both ends. Push hash out on a board. Slice in four portions. Brown in 1 tablespoon shortening in a frying pan. Serve Corned Beef Hash Patties with vegetable sauce.