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BENEDUM PROJECT STARTED

Bob Cryer Wins Iraan Meet

Bob Cryer, Denver City, won the Iraan invitation golf tournament Sunday with a one-up decision over Earl Cisco, also of Denver City, in a nine hole match.

Don Starnes of Odessa was the winner of the consolation flight. He defeated Barney Barnard of Odessa.

Jack Lee, Iraan, was the first flight winner. W. T. Eaves of Iraan was runner-up.

Bob Hillinghauser, of Monahans, won the second flight; Ray Le Boff, Alpine, was runner-up.

In the second flight, H. B. Reese of Big Lake was the winner. He defeated James Jolly of Iraan.

Toby Collins, of Monahans, won the consolation flight.

Hap Davis, Monahans, was the third flight winner, winning over Bill Lawrence. Eddie Ratliff of Kermit was the third flight consolation winner, and runner-up was Red Hassell of Big Lake.

In the fourth flight, J. M. Childers of Ft. Stockton was the winner. Runner-up was O. B. Paty of Iraan. Consolation winner of the flight was Bunk Foster of McCamey, and runner-up was J. T. Webb of Big Lake.

Fifth flight winner was Lefty Sloan of Monahans, who defeated J. D. Armstrong of Kermit.

"Lefty" Williams of McCamey was low medalist. He fired a 69 in the qualifying round.

Mrs. Tom Workman Guest Speaker At Big Lake B&PW

Mrs. Tom Workman, president of the local B&PW Club, was the invited speaker to a group of women at a dinner in Big Lake on Thursday night.

The dinner-meeting was held incidental to the organization of a B&PW Club in Big Lake, which will be sponsored by the local club.

Mrs. H. F. Neal Hosts Wednesday Bridge Club

Spring flowers provided lovely decoration in the party rooms when Mrs. H. F. Neal entertained the Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club in her home this week.

In the games, high score went to Mrs. Gertrude Smith and second high to Mrs. E. C. Higday. Mrs. Pete Pollard won the traveling prize and Mrs. Rogers, low.

A salad-dessert plate and tea was served by hostess to the above members and Meses. Walton Harral, Hamp Carter, Clint Shaw, Roy Priest, C. G. Taylor, Bud Warren and two guests, Mrs. Jack Walcher and Mrs. Pete Pollard.

Walton Harrals Entertain With Bridge In Their Home

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral entertained a number of friends at a bridge party last Tuesday evening in their home.

Mrs. Hal Holmes won high score for the ladies and Mr. Hal Holmes high for the men. Mr. Holmes also won the traveling prize.

The Harrals served a salad plate and coffee to the foregoing and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walcher, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ivy, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Scott of Texon.

New Stairway For County Court House

Members of the Commissioners' Court granted a contract to the Joe B. Thorp Co. of San Angelo on a cost-plus basis to erect a new stairway on the west end of the court house last Monday. The under section of the stairway will be used for storage.

It will be an exit from the second floor of the court house.

John J. Becker of San Angelo is the architect for the improvement.

Let's Clean Up!

Members of the Rankin Lions Club voted last Thursday night to conduct a clean-up campaign for the city of Rankin to make it a better place in which to live.

Some of the vacant lots in Rankin, as well as some of those that are occupied, are a health menace to the citizens of this community. The Lions Club, with the aid of the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Boy Scouts, the 4-H Club want to clean up Rankin. We take pride in our little city and want to make it the best and cleanest in West Texas.

Clean-up week starts May 1, and will last one week, ending Saturday, May 7. On that day, if you have your trash piled up at the back of your alley, a truck will be around to haul it off.

Everyone is responsible for his, or her, vacant lot, and the one on which the person resides. Hoe the weeds, dump the garbage and pile up the accumulated trash... and we'll carry it off!

If the owner of the lot next to you does not live in Rankin, have enough pride in your town to clean it up yourself.

Let's make this clean-up campaign a success by every one doing his part.

The trucks and pick-ups are being donated by Bud Warren, Ed Guy Branch, Upton County and Wallace Lumber Company.

LET'S ALL MAKE RANKIN A CLEANER TOWN TO LIVE IN!

Community Building Is Opening Set For May 10

Prays Daughter To Awaken On Birthday

A hopeful mother sat at the bedside of her unconscious daughter Monday and prayed, as she has been praying for 100 days. It was the birthday of the unconscious daughter.

Monday marked the 100th day Joan Edwards has been unconscious following an automobile accident in January.

Doctors believed Joan's 24th birthday would pass unnoticed as have all the other long days.

"We have been hoping and praying she would wake up on her birthday," Mrs. Edwards, the mother said.

The mother has not missed a day sitting at the bedside of her daughter in Headlee Hospital at Odessa.

The only daughter of the Edwards of Rankin was injured last January 17 when the car in which she was riding swerved on an ice-coated highway and smashed into a culvert. She suffered a severe head injury and broken jaw. Her broken jaw healed completely as she lay unconscious and motionless for the many days.

At the time of her accident, Miss Edwards was employed with The Reporter-Telegram in its classified advertising department.

Rankin PTA Plans Meeting For May 3

The next meeting of the Rankin Parent-Teacher Assn. will be in the form of both an afternoon and evening session on May 3.

The business meeting will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon in the High School building and the night meeting will be in the High School gym at 7:30; at which time the association will present a Tom Thumb Wedding, followed by installation of officers for the ensuing year.

School Of Instruction Held For Local PTA Officers Recently

A school of instruction was recently held in the Rankin High School building for PTA officers and members under the direction of Mrs. W. A. Kay of Ft. Stockton. Mrs. Kay is vice president of the PTA Sixth Dist.

A conference for the district will be held in Ft. Stockton on April 27 and 28, at which time Supt. Still of the Rankin schools will take part in a panel discussion on the program.

Members of the Upton County Commissioners Court adopted the specifications and presented them by Silliman-Walker Engineers of Ft. Stockton Monday in their regular meeting, and once more the work was begun to get bids on the important oil field road.

The members of the court agreed to advertise for three weeks and set the day for the letting of the contract on May 18. A special meeting will be called for this letting.

A contract submitted by W. O. Pelphrey, General Contractor, of Fort Worth which was low in a letting earlier this month, was cancelled last week at Mr. Pelphrey's request due to technicalities in the specifications of the original bidding.

In other action of the day, the group agreed to permit Joe B. Thorp, building contractor of San Angelo, to build a stairway exit from the second floor of the courthouse on the west end of the building. A storage space will be impeded beneath the stairs.

John Becker of San Angelo is architect for the project.

The body also voted to appropriate \$300 for the summer recreation programs to be maintained in both McCamey and Rankin during the coming three months. The city and schools of the respective cities put up a like amount of money to maintain this program.

Jack Howard Becton Dies Of Heart Attack

Funeral services for Zack Howard Becton, 41, who died from a heart attack Wednesday afternoon at 6:30, will be held Saturday in Corsicana.

Mr. Becton was born in Sulphur Springs, Texas, October 19, 1907. He spent his boyhood days in Corsicana. He entered the U. S. Army at Fort Bliss March 4, 1942, and served in the European theatre nearly two years in the 591st Field Artillery. He was discharged Oct. 11, 1945.

He is survived by one son, Charles Becton, Corpus Christi; father, Robert Becton, Corsicana; three brothers, Jolean, Lubbock, Robert, Odessa, Joel Edwin, of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Ruby Thomas, Corsicana; Mrs. Runie White, Corsicana.

Services will be held at the Corley Funeral Home in Corsicana under the direction of Porter Johnson of Rankin and Jacobsen Funeral Home, McCamey.

Mr. Becton had moved to Rankin from Odessa just one day before his death.

Lions Hold Regular Meeting Monday Night

The Lions Club met at the Methodist Recreational Building on Monday night. President Gene Eckols presided.

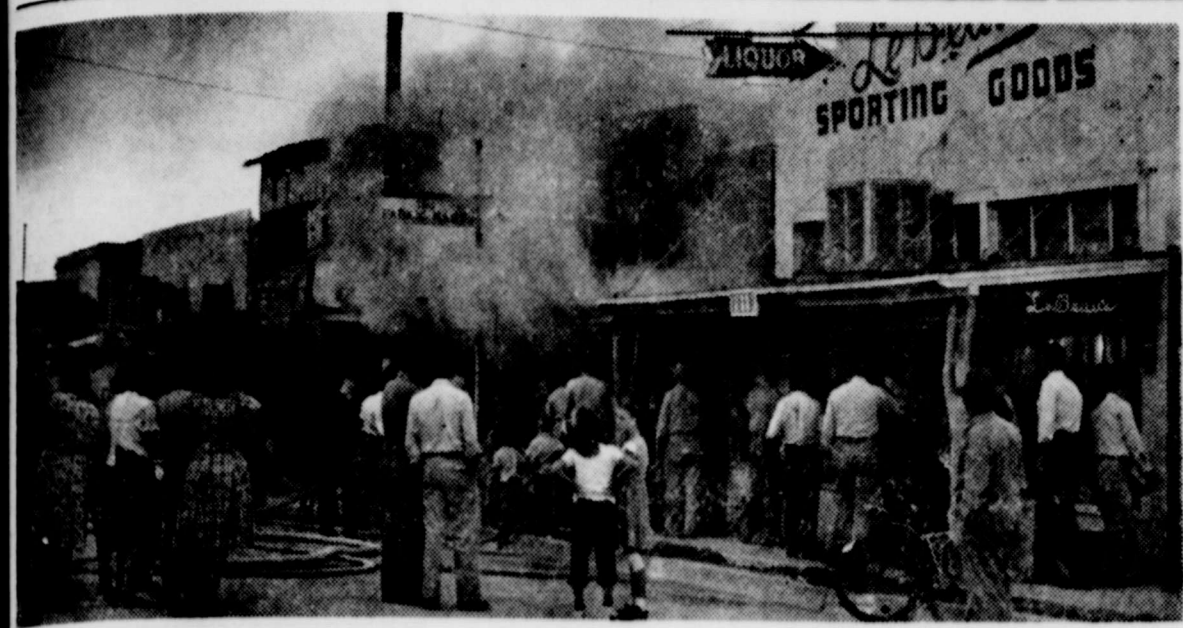
Lions Day and Ivy provided the eats for the meeting and also presented a program which included piano duets by Mrs. Ivy and Mrs. Nettleship and solos by James Gamblin.

During the business session, the club voted to sponsor a clean-up campaign for Rankin. The drive to clean up Rankin will be held during the week of May 1 to 7 with other civic organizations of the town assisting in the project.

Mrs. Freddie Johnson, Formerly Of Rankin, Dies In Utah

Word was received Monday of the death of Mrs. Freddie (Edda Mae) Johnson in Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson resided in Rankin last year, at which time Mr. Johnson was connected with a geophysical crew. The word was received by Mrs. J. O. Barfield where the Johnsons lived, but particulars have not been received.

Mrs. Johnson clerked at the Harris-Luckett Co. while living here. Burial was to be in Salt Lake City.



A large crowd gathered in just a few moments last Thursday afternoon when Dewey's Thrifty Shop caught fire and was gutted of its merchandise and fixtures. Notice the men on the right side of the picture taking ammunition from LeBeau's, located next to the burning store.—Photo by Johnson.

Dewey's Thrifty Shop Gutted By Fire Late Thursday Afternoon

A loss of an estimated \$12,500 was suffered last Thursday evening about 7 p. m. when a fire gutted Dewey's Thrifty Shop in downtown McCamey, and gave anxious moments to merchants in the entire block. City Fire Marshal Malcolm Reimers attributed the fire to faulty wiring in the building.

Mr. Jones had closed the store at 6 and the fire was underway for some time before the alarm was sounded.

The efficiency of the McCamey Volunteer Fire Department, along with the absence of a high wind no doubt prevented a major conflagration of business property on the entire block.

Considerable merchandise mainly ammunition, was carried from Le Beau's Sporting Goods and Liquor Store by volunteers.

No definite plans had been announced by Jones this week. The estimated loss on merchandise and fixtures was set at \$11,000 which was partially covered by insurance, while the loss on the building was placed at \$1,500. No insurance was carried on the building which was owned by Mr. F. A. Nickens.

Dale Keneaster's Grandmother Dies In Kansas

Dale Keneaster received word last week of the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Armenda Wood, of Wichita, Kansas. Mrs. Wood was 97 years of age and had lived in Wichita about 40 years. She had been ill for about four months.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Bertie Farnsworth and Mrs. Zelma Keneaster, with whom she made her home, and three other grandchildren beside Mr. Keneaster.

John Pittman, 71, Dies In San Angelo

John Pittman, 71, passed away last Wednesday evening in a San Angelo hospital after a lingering illness of some two years.

Mr. Pittman is the father of J. Silas Pittman of Rankin.

Funeral services were held in Cox's Funeral Chapel Friday afternoon at 2 p. m., with Rev. Jack Woods, pastor of the Primitive Baptist Church of Glenrose, Texas, officiating.

Burial was made at the Lawn Haven Cemetery in San Angelo. Other survivors include Mrs. Nancy Ann Pittman, San Angelo, and the widow; three other sons, W. E. and W. T. of Midland and D. M. of Downey, Calif.; and three daughters, Mrs. Irene Elkins, Los Angeles; Mrs. Inez Elkins, Tulsa, Texas; and Mrs. Anna Lee Outlaw of Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains, Stanley Cozimir and Clois Baxter of Rankin went to Artesia Wednesday night where the infant daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Max Schultze (Reba Lou Rains) had passed away a few hours after its birth Wednesday. The baby was to be buried in Artesia Thursday.

Welcomed Rains Fall; Hail Causes Damage

McCamey and Upton County had its share of the April showers during the past ten days, with a hail storm early Thursday morning bringing damage to many of the residents. Most of the losses came from broken windowpanes, although some reports of damaged roofs were made early Thursday morning to local insurance agents.

A brilliant electrical display covered the eastern skies late Wednesday night on into Thursday morning preceding the hail storm. The West Texas Utilities weather station reported a rainfall of 64 inches Thursday.

Other sectors of West Texas suffered rains of flood proportion last weekend, with a report com-

ing from Ft. Stockton that Clyde Blair and his son down when caught in the rampaging Comanche Springs. Two McCamey women, Mrs. Clyde Ash and Mrs. Charles Gibson, narrowly escaped death when they were caught in a flash flood near Ozona.

Many McCamey fishing parties were caught in the high waters on the Rio Grande, Devils River and lakes in Old Mexico.

Rainfall for last week through Sunday totalled 1.11 inches by the gauge at the West Texas Utilities. Many ranchmen filled to capacity, and the ground getting soaked through the periodic rains bring hope to recovery of the range lands much sooner even the most optimistic would make at the opening of the year.

Community Building Board Is Named By Commissioners Court

A five-member board was appointed at the meeting of the Upton County Commissioners' Court last Monday to be in charge of the building and facilities upon its opening here next month.

Those appointed to the Community Building Board for Rankin were C. G. Fitzgerald, Walton Poage, Mrs. Lelia Workman, Mrs. Irene Nettleship and Mrs. George Stephenson.

These members will meet with Commissioner's W. J. Price and Sam Holmes Tues. evening, May 3, at 8 p. m. in the office of the County Attorney in the courthouse in an effort to start the initial making of rules and regulations to pertain to the use of the building and its facilities.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains Attends State Meeting Of County Treasurers

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains spent the weekend in Fort Worth, where on Saturday she attended an organization meeting of County Treasurers of the State of Texas. Sixty-two county treasurers attended the meeting which was held at the Texas Hotel.

Geo. Ashburn was elected as a director of the newly organized State Treasurers' Assn. in their initial meeting held last week at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth. L. D. Heysler of Amarillo was elected the other director to serve with W. B. Gurley of Fort Worth, elected president, Dwight Morrison, Beaumont, vice president, and Joyce Davis, Seminole, elected secretary-treasurer.

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Member 1949 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION LET'S JOIN IN THE EFFORT

The local Lions Club is sponsoring a clean-up campaign for Rankin the week of May 1st to 7th. The Business and Professional Women's Club are joining forces with the Lions Club to promote the project and it is hoped everyone will put forth an extra effort to make the town as spic and span as possible with this opportunity afforded.

Trucks for the collection and disposal of trash will be donated by the County, the Wallace Lumber Company, Ed Guy Branch and Bud Warren.

Let's all get busy and clean up our premises thoroughly. Pile up your trash near the street where the truck can pick it up on May 7th to haul it off for you.

Southwest farmers received steady to lower prices for most products during the past week the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

Lamb prices dropped \$3 to \$5 from last Monday's record high prices at Fort Worth and \$2 to \$3 from last week's all-time high at San Antonio.

There was little or no trading in wool or mohair last week. Dressed lamb prices fell \$8 to \$100 a hundred for the week at New York.

Hog prices continued downward by 50 cents to \$1 for the week. Top hogs fell to \$18 at Fort Worth Monday, the lowest since October, 1946.

Cattle prices showed little change for the week. Good yearlings sold up to \$27 at Houston Monday and \$26.50 at San Antonio.

Increasing supplies of spring vegetables brought generally lower prices last week. The demand

slowly for south Texas products. Small sizes made up a large share of new potatoes, and prices fell.

Sorghums gained 3 cents a hundred, as most other grains lost 1-2 to 3 cents a bushel. No. 1 wheat closed Monday at \$2.38 to \$2.45 at Texas common points.

Scattered lots of rough rice went to market last week, with short grains bringing slightly higher prices. Wheat millfeed prices continued to rise, although most other feeds sold unchanged to lower.

Cotton advanced 25 cents to \$1 a bale. Spot middling 15-16 inch closed Monday at 32.75 cents a pound at Houston, 32.80 at Dallas, and 32.95 at New Orleans.

Business Failures Double In Texas AUSTIN--The number of business failures in Texas almost doubled from February to March, Dun and Bradstreet reports to the University of Texas showed.

DR. T. B. McCLISH Naturopathic Physician and Chiropractor X-RAY

The women holding on to the car light on his car.

He went to the Mexican section of Ozona where he obtained a garden hose. He endeavored to toss the hose to the women but found it necessary to swim out and get Mrs. Gibson. He then returned to the car, crawled over the top, wrapped the hose around Mrs. Ash and pulled her to the top of the car. He then carried her to safety.

In Ozona they were given dry clothing and food at the quarters of a deputy sheriff who drove the two women to Rankin. They

Gamma Gamma Chapter Installs New Officers Mrs. Winnie Browning, Crane, Texas was elected president of the Gamma Gamma Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society at their meeting April 23 at Girl Scout Little House, for the years 1949-51.

The following program was presented: Call to order, roll call, reading of the minutes, treasurer's report, reports from Standing Committee Chairman and the years report by the president, Miss Ethie Eagleton.

At 12:30 p. m. luncheon was served by the Home Making Department of the McCamey High School, with Mrs. H. E. Stoker as sponsor.

After installation of officers at 1:30 p. m. plans for the new year were made and appointments of new committees.

The following were present: Mrs. Winnie Browning, Mildred Cloud Minnette Rowland, Jeanie Abernathy, Dortha Strickland, Madge Conger, Mrs. Hale, Clo Dossey, Lois Skipping, Elsie Runyan, Opal Dickson, Myrna Hollman, Ben C. McDonald, Helen M. Watkins, Frankie Dossett, B. Williamson, Mrs. Wallace, Miss Ethie Eagleton and Ruby Braly.

District Legion Convention To Be Held In McCamey Two days of fun and business with two outstanding speakers listed are on the program for the Annual Spring Convention of the 16th District which will meet in McCamey Saturday, April 30, and Sunday, May 1, William Sohl of Alpine, District Commander, has announced.

Registration for both American Legion and Auxiliary delegates will begin at 9 o'clock Saturday morning for the representatives of the 26 American Legion Posts in the 16th Congressional District.

Sunday morning an impressive memorial service in honor of the dead of all wars will be held. At noon a barbecue will be enjoyed by all the delegates and visitors.

At the business session Sunday afternoon two speakers, Department Adjutant G. Ward Moody of Austin, and L. J. Cappieman of Dallas, head of the Farm Home Administration for Texas, will be on the program.

Delegates and alternates to the State and National Conventions will be elected at the business session. Auxiliary members will hold a separate meeting Sunday afternoon.

The host Post, Price Pool No. 421, is commanded by Raymond R. Coats, who has appointed a number of strong committees to make the Convention a success.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Branch were visitors in Midland Wednesday.

Mrs. Dave Gentry has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Dee Locklin, in McCamey this week.

Upton Quota Set At \$35,000 In Bonds In "Opportunity Drive"

The people of Upton County are being asked to invest a total of \$35,000 in Series E Bonds during the Treasury Department's "Opportunity Drive," May 16 thru June 30.

This quota was announced on Saturday by Dunn Lowery, County Savings Bond chairman, after he had received the figure in a letter from Nathan Adams of Dallas, chairman of the Treasury's advisory committee of Texas.

Announcement of quotas for this and all other Texas counties followed a dinner in Houston on Tuesday night by Gov. Beauford H. Jester and at which volunteers from all sections of the state were honored for their work in the Savings Bonds program.

The Texas quota in the drive is \$36,950,000, and the national quota is \$1,040,000,000.

"All quotas, including ours, apply only to the sale of Series E Savings Bonds," the county chairman said. "In this drive we want to place more Savings Bonds in the hands of average people, who, with the proceeds of their thrift, can enjoy opportunities and advantages not otherwise possible.

At the same time, by their investments in Savings Bonds, they are helping to manage our national debt in such a way as to more nearly assure a strong economy in this country. The Series E Bonds popularly called the 'people's bonds'—are ideal for the individuals."

He said Series F and G Savings Bonds would be sold as usual throughout the drive, but that their sale would not be counted against the quota. The Series F and G Bonds, he explained, are normally preferred by business concerns, organizations and individuals of larger means.

"I urge the people of this county, and all of its communities, to participate in this Opportunity Drive to the full of their ability," he said. "The County Savings Bonds Committee can always use citizens who can devote a part of their time to work in the drive, and I invite them to contact me. To others, I sincerely urge that they buy Savings Bonds, and, if possible, to do so regularly thru the Bond-A-Month plan at their bank. This kind of thrift is the kind that pays dividends to the individual, the community and the nation."

NOTICE! BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING, RANKIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session in its regular meeting place in the City of Rankin, Upton County, Texas, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, 4 day of May, 1949, and from day to day thereafter for the purpose of determining, fixing and equalizing the value of any and all taxable property in the said Rankin Independent School District until such values have finally been determined for taxable purposes for the year 1949, and any and all persons interested or having business with the said Board are hereby notified to be present.

JACK WALCHER, Secretary, Rankin Independent School District.

Both were badly bruised. The car is to be salvaged. They lost luggage and personal belongings, including Mrs. Gibson's watch and bill fold in the flood.

Mr. Ash and Mr. Gibson were marooned in Del Rio and did not receive word about their wives until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ash operate the Melear Insurance Agency here while Mrs. Gibson is employed by the Trebol Oil Company. Mr. Gibson works for the Production Service Co.

Eddie Bouncall, who rescued the women was observing his 20th birthday Friday.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our deep appreciation for all the kind remembrances and beautiful floral offering during the illness and passing of our beloved mother.

G. W. (Blackie) Huffman Hugo Huffman Nelson Huffman R. T. Huffman Rev. Francis Huffman Mrs. Delight Craig

Mrs. J. O. Barfield was called to Lamesa recently, due to the illness of her son, Jiggs Barfield.

Mrs. Jack Smith spent several days recently with her niece in Fort Stockton.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF COUNTY HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals, addressed to the County Judge and the Commissioner's Court of Upton County, Texas, for the construction of 8.239 miles of Flexible Base and Double Asphalt Surface Treatment from a point of intersection with State Hwy. 349 approximately 6.5 miles North of Rankin, Texas, Easterly to the Benesud Oil Field in Upton County, Texas, will be received at the office of the County Judge of Upton County, Rankin, Texas, until 10 A. M. May 18th, 1949, and then be publicly opened and read.

The Prevailing Wage Rates listed below shall apply as minimum rates on this project: Title of Prevailing Minimum "Laborer" die Wage (Based "Workman" or on an 8 Hour

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Table with 2 columns: Working Day, Rate. Includes Power Shovel Operator \$9.20, Motor Patrol Operator 9.20, etc.

Plans and specifications are on file at the office of G. H. Fisher, County Judge of Upton County, Rankin, Texas, and are available from Silas Pittman, Project Engineer, Rankin, Texas, and Silliman & Walker, Engineers, Fort Stockton, Texas. Usual rights are reserved.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 25th day of April, 1949. G. H. FISHER, County Judge of Upton County, Texas.

ATTEST: Ralph H. Daugherty, Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Upton County, Texas.

From where I sit... by Joe Marsh How We Licked The Parking Problem

For a while it looked like we'd have to put up parking meters. Folks working in town—including some of the store owners—were taking up all of the space along Main Street.

Farmers coming in to shop never found a place to park, and sometimes had to lug stuff a half mile or so. Some started to do their buying in other towns. Finally, store owners and farmers had a get-together—with the result that the empty field near the depot was fixed up for all-day parking.

Now farmers get their shopping done comfortably, and the merchants have a better place to park than they had before. Just took a little friendly co-operation to make everybody happy.

From where I sit, most differences can be ironed out by just talking things over—maybe with a cup of coffee or glass of beer—and seeing the other person's side of it. Next time you have a problem or a little difference to settle, why not try just that?

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**L. Martin Named
Head Of Newly
Formed Association**

L. L. Martin was elected the first President of the newly-organized Association of School Board members, and School Men of the Permian Basin at the initial meeting held in Kermit Tuesday evening.

In the absence of Mr. Martin, who was temporary chairman, G. E. Thompson, Supt. of Kermit, presided. Other officers elected were G. E. Thompson, Kermit, vice president, Laird Meadors, Monahans, secretary and treasurer. The business meeting was held following a banquet in which 14 schools were represented by approximately 150 individuals.

Following the banquet the meeting was broken up into specific groups of superintendents, principals, board members, classroom teachers, band and choral club leaders, and business managers.

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FOR RENT—Furnished apartment with private bath. Telephone 79-J. Lynette Williams.

**Texas Called Most
Air Conditioned
Place in World**

Texas is the most completely air-conditioned region in the world, John E. Haines, vice president of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, has concluded after a study of construction activity in the state.

Mr. Haines, who began the survey after addressing the South Texas chapter, American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, in Houston, said that every sizable city in the state was far ahead of comparable places in other sections of the country. Orders for air-conditioning equipment in Texas the first three months of this year increased 50 per cent over the corresponding quarter of 1948, he said.

"Texans have learned that summer air conditioning is not a luxury, but a business necessity," Mr. Haines said. "In addition, many

colleges and schools are installing air conditioning for the comfort, health and mental alertness of students".

Among the outstanding projects containing Honeywell automatic controls which Mr. Haines reviewed are located as follows: Austin—new science building and student health center, University of Texas; Galveston—United States National bank and Eivands department store; Corpus Christi—Corpus Christi Senior High school J. C. Penny Company department store and Corn Products Refining Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral and daughter, Barbara, went to San Angelo last Thursday, where Barbara received medical treatment.

**B. W. Barnes, Founder
Of Upton County
Journal Dies**

B. W. Barnes, age 66, founder of the Upton County Journal in Rankin in 1937 died at the Texarkana Hospital at 5:45 o'clock Sunday morning, April 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes had lived in Waldo, Arkansas for the past eleven years where he published the Columbia County Journal.

He entered newspaper work as a boy more than 50 years ago. Funeral services were at the Methodist Church in Waldo, with burial in the Smith Cemetery there.

He is survived by his wife, one son, Floyd, W. Barnes of Springhill, La.; two daughters, Mrs. John Du Val of Texarkana and Mrs. Georgia Burress of El Dorado, Arkansas, and six grandchildren.

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**INVITES YOU TO ATTEND
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ON NORGE APPLIANCES**

All day Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30, The Coats Motor Company will have an Open House for the citizens of McCamey and the surrounding communities.

Demonstrations on all NORGE APPLIANCES will be made during these two days . . . and refreshments will be served to those visiting during this period.

Special "favors" will be presented to those attending this opening . . . and special NORGE BALLOONS for the kiddies.

Beginning Monday, May 2, Norge Salesmen from our firm will begin their work in servicing the appliance needs of Upton, Crane and Reagan Counties, and the residents of Iraan, Sheffield, Girvin and Bakersfield.

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Report To The People
J. T. RUTHERFORD
 Representative 89th District

as the Basic Science Bill was passed. The session had lasted 31 hours and 25 minutes, and the passage ended the bitterest piece of legislation between professions in the history of the state.

As you all know, a group of legislators who opposed the Senate Bill 115, lead-off bill for the Gilmer-Aiken Bills, walked out last week. The Sergeant-At-Arms found some of the men in a tavern and a wild chase ensued before the men rounded up and returned to the house.

The walk-out men were criticized quite severely—and I hasten to add that I was not among their numbers—However, I do wish to point out that the walk-out was not a new procedure, but is typical of legislation battles in all states and in Washington.

The men knew that SB 115 would pass—and they walked out in an effort to break the quorum and thus delay vote on the bill. It was a dangerous strategy—for it takes 51 members to walk out in order to break a quorum. And it's hard to get 51 members to "stick together long enough to break a quorum. When a walk-out fails, it just gives the bill away.

Mrs. Ray Files Stiles, who is floor leader for the Gilmer-Aiken Bills, found herself in a peculiar position when SB 115 came up for vote.

To vote, one must press one of a number of buttons on the desk—and these buttons are locked and the desk occupant has a key to unlock them so that he or she can vote.

Well—someone stole the key belonging to Mrs. Stiles, and she was not able to vote from her desk. Her vote, however, was accepted from the floor.

Senate Bill 116, the second of the Gilmer-Aiken Bills, is expected to have passed by Wed. or Thurs. of this week—and action probably will have been taken by the time you read this. In case you wonder why the Gilmer-Aiken bills are always considered on Wednesday or Thursday, it is because they are Senate introduced bills, and the House sets aside Wednesday and Thursday of each week to take action on Senate Bills alone.

Recently I passed a bill through the Judiciary Committee to make it purely permissive for a county to organize a County

Board of Development—similar to a Chamber of Commerce—and allow a county to advertise and boost its tourist attractions, business, industries and other things.

The Presidio Road Bill passed its final passage in the House several days ago and awaits Senate action.

Special to Winkler County:—Some time ago I received requests to introduce a bill closing the dove and quail season for 3 years. I have received letters—or have talked to—more than 1,000 people about this matter, and most of them seem to want the season to remain open. Since I must represent the wishes of the majority of the people, I must say that the present season should remain unchanged and that I have not introduced the bill.

Many have written me in opposition to the bill which provides that all weapons and firearms be cased or placed in the car trunk when crossing a public road. If you will think about this, you will see that one would have to hunt from a car or carry a rifle case at all times. I believe that we have enough protective firearm laws and that this bill is superfluous.

A bill which would regulate use of the chemical 2-4-D has been introduced. This chemical is good to kill grass, weeds, rust, but has some dangerous qualities. However, it is a boon to farmers and ranchers, and HB 420 would set up regulations that would enable the state to allow the use of the chemical.

Herrado, Rodriguez Taken To Prison

Monico Herrado and Juan Rodriguez, Latin Americans charged in the slaying of two negroes north of McCamey, last August, were taken to Huntsville last Friday by Sheriff H. E. "Gene" Eckols and Deputy Bob Schlegal. Herrado was returned to Upton County a month ago to testify in the case of Rodriguez. He has been assessed a life's imprisonment in the shootings.

Rodriguez will face a five year sentence.

Mrs. Geo. Atkins of Ft. Stockton and Mrs. Dee Locklin of McCamey attended a meeting of the committee on by-laws of the Tri-County PTA Assn. held in Rankin, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Neal left Friday to attend the Kentucky Derby. They expect to be gone about ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Porter Johnson left Thursday to attend funeral services for an uncle in Leonard, Texas.

Mrs. R. H. Johnson is in San Angelo for medical treatment this week.

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NEW CROP YELLOW BERMUDA ONIONS	POUND	5c
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