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District Head Visits Rankin OES Chapter

The official visit of the Deputy Worthy Matron of the OES of this district, Mrs. Lois Rambo of McCamey, the report of the Grand Chapter Sessions of the OES of the State of Texas recently in Dallas by Worthy Matron, Miss Maggie Taylor, and a Thanksgiving dinner consisting of turkey and all complements, were highlights of Monday night's meeting of the Rankin Chapter.

The visit of Mrs. Rambo, who received her appointment at the recent conclave in Dallas, was the first official visit to a chapter in her district. Both she and Mrs. Taylor were presented a chrysanthemum corsage and a gift. White gladioli and carnations were used in tasteful arrangements in the reception room of the chapter hall and the dinner

was served immediately prior to the meeting.

Mrs. W. T. Simmons of McCamey and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hemphill of Albany were out of town guests and others attending were:

Worthy Matron Maggie Taylor and Worthy Patron Dr. J. C. Bredehoff; Mrs. H. J. Romine of the Monahans Chapter; Mmes. R. D. McSpadden, J. B. Pettit, James Guest, A. B. Smith, Harry Howard, J. O. Barfield, Walton Haral, C. J. Holcomb, Tyson Midkiff, Ben Frazier, Tom Workman, Clint Shaw, Omar Warren, Tom Mitchell, L. P. Johnson, Boyd Cox, Dunn Lowery, Miss Myrna Holman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Still, and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. McKelvey.



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Workman announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Ann Workman to Mr. Joe T. McCommic, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCommic of Valley Mills, Texas. The wedding will be in December.

—Photo By Johnson

REHEARSALS ON "IT'S A DATE"

Rehearsals are underway for a hilarious home talent show "It's a Date" to be staged Thursday and Friday, December 1-2 by Grady Boyd American Legion of Rankin.

Profits from the two night production will be directed into the Rankin Youth Program Fund.

Cast of characters include Don Cochran, Hamilton Still, Stanley Sumner, Jimmy Workman, Ruth Scott, Winston Holcomb, David Workman, with others still to be selected.

Some of the highlights of the show will be a Labor Day scene which former burlesque dancer, now housewives, return to the footlights. The dancers are Mrs. Adams, Max Schneeman, Mrs. Day, Walter Keller, Henry Schrago and Bob Schlagal.

A tiny tot contest is being held in connection with the show in which members of the Royal Society of Toyland will be selected.

Advance ticket sales will be held this week by members of the Society, and at a downtown ticket booth.

Mary Ann Workman and Joe McCommic are spending the holiday with Mr. McCommic's parents in Valley Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Anderson and Mrs. Mary are guests of the B. G. Andersons in Midland for Thanksgiving Day.

Lenora Hudson Circle Meets In James Home

The Lenora Hudson Circle of the First Baptist Church Missionary Union met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Joy James for a Bible Study.

Mrs. W. A. Hudson had charge of the program and led the Bible Study.

A dessert plate was served by Mrs. James to Mmes. Warren Capps, Jack Nickson, L. R. Huddleston, Alvin Jorgenson, H. J. Romine, Foy Dodson, W. A. Hudson and A. F. Williams.

B&PW Book Review Set For Tuesday

The Rankin Business and Professional Women's Club takes this means of reminding their friends of the book review to be given by Mrs. Dean Chenoweth of San Angelo at the Methodist Church in Rankin on Tuesday night, Nov. 29, at 7:30.

Mrs. Chenoweth will review the humorous book written by the famous French designer, Lilli Dache, "Talking Through My Hats."

There will be no admission charged. This entertainment will be a contribution of the local business and professional women to the people of Rankin and the public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Mary Pierce had as her guest the past weekend, her niece, Mary Lou Kuykendall of

W. S. C. S. Entertain Husbands Tues. Night

The Methodist Church WSCS ladies entertained their husbands at a potluck supper and "42" party at the church Tuesday night.

Party guests were Messrs. and Mmes. Walton Haral, Clint Shaw, D. S. Anderson, Walton Poage, Hamp Carter, R. H. Johnson, W. O. Adams, S. H. Boyd, Don Cochran, R. O. White, Ross Wheeler, Mrs. J. T. Elrod and Dr. J. C. Bredehoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Haral and family are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Haral's mother at Beeville, Texas.

Tommy Hall came in Tuesday from Schreiner to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with his mother, Mrs. Don Rhorick and Mr. Rhorick.

HELPFUL HINTS

By MYRNA HOLMAN
NEW FOODS FOR OLD

Those of you who missed the home of Mrs. Bryant Jones last Friday missed one of the best programs of the year. Mrs. Jones not only has a very good looking floor as a result of the day's work, but those attending know that they can do the same thing in their own homes. Each woman operated the various pieces of equipment and found that they could do so easily. They will also be able to teach their husbands how to operate them in case they can get them to take over the job.

The old finish was removed from the floor and then it was sanded with the pine sandpaper. Two coats of penetrating seal were used, each coat being allowed to dry and then buffed in. This was followed by wax which was also buffed into a hard finish when it had dried. Several of those attending have floors to be refinished and will schedule further demonstrations when the equipment is available. Portable rental type equipment was used that the amateur has no trouble in using.

THE WAFFLE IRON

With cool days thoughts turn to waffles for Sunday morning breakfast or for supper guests. How's your waffle iron? Here's an easy way to clean the grids of the iron suggested by the experimenter station. Place a paper napkin soaked with household ammonia between the grids and leave it overnight, they advise. The ammonia loosens the brown "cooked on" accumulation of grease. Then it may be wiped off or rubbed off with steel wool. This cleaning method may also be used inside ovens.

Legion Thanksgiving Dance Set Saturday

Bill Moore, Commander of the McCamey American Legion Post, extended an invitation to attend the Thanksgiving season dance to be held at the McCamey Park Building Saturday evening. Sunshine Butler's colored band will furnish the music for the evening.

The dance is open to the public and is scheduled to begin at 8 p. m.

Price of admission is \$1.65, including tax, with profits to go into the Youth Fund Program.

Paris, France was in the hands of the English nation from 1430 to 1436.

SANTA FE CITES REASONS FOR LOCAL PASSENGER DISCONTINUANCE

SLATON, Nov. 25.—Passenger train operation at a sustained loss over a period of years was cited by H. O. Wagner, Santa Fe Ry. superintendent, as the reason the railway filed application with the Texas Ry. Commission to perform its passenger service between Ft. Stockton and San Angelo in a mixed train.

Hearing on the application is set for Dec. 9 at San Angelo.

The Santa Fe seeks to convert its present daily local freight run both directions between Ft. Stockton and San Angelo into a mixed train, carrying on the rear a passenger train car for passengers, mail and express.

"We do not propose to deprive the communities now served by our motor trains of the usual passenger services, but it has become economically unsound to continue them as a separate operation. By combining them with our daily freight service, rail service for passengers, mail and express will continue to be available," Wagner explained.

It is proposed to start the mixed train west from San Angelo after arrival of passenger connections from metropolitan centers

north, south and east, for arrival in Ft. Stockton the same afternoon. Eastbound, the mixed train would leave Ft. Stockton in the morning to reach San Angelo for these same forwarding connections.

"Our action is not one motivated by a sudden urge to economize," Wagner said. "Studies by our auditing department at management request over a period of years have shown conclusively that we have been operating the San Angelo-Ft. Stockton motor car at a loss for a long time. During the war years and for a period after the war, when gas, rubber and private automobiles were in short supply, and competitive transport was limited by these same factors, we continued to operate this financially unprofitable service, although its use by the public was negligible.

"The passenger service picture today has changed, however," Wagner pointed out. "The private automobile, with its flexibility and convenience to personal schedules, has practically supplanted rail transport for local travel in this area.

"Bus and truck carriers trans-

porting passengers and small shipments have been rehabilitated, and now offer services not available during the past ten years.

"Continuing studies will be made of the mixed train schedule, to provide a service that will be most convenient to meet the present and future needs of the communities in the area," Wagner said. "All analyses of travel trends between San Angelo and Ft. Stockton made by our traffic men in the last several years compel the conclusion that exclusive rail passenger service will operate in this area at an increasing loss. We have not applied earlier to curtail this loss because of the reasons cited, but with the expense of the motor car operation mounting and competing forms of transportation cutting into the revenue, we concluded to seek permission to check the loss without, at the same time, removing the service.

"I am confident that the users of our service in the affected communities will give fair consideration to these factors in their analysis of our action in filing the application," Wagner said.

Christmas Seal Sale Opens In Texas

Governor Allan Shivers today issued an official memorandum urging the people of Texas to be "generous" in their support of the 1949 Christmas Seal Sale of the State Tuberculosis Association and its affiliated county associations. The Seal Sale opens Monday, November 21, and continues through December 25—the period officially designated by Governor Shivers as Christmas Seal Month.

Stressing the fact that tuberculosis is spread from person to person, the Governor praised the tuberculosis control program of the Texas Tuberculosis Association, particularly its projects, and those of county associations, directed at helping to find the estimated 25,000 "unknown" cases of tuberculosis in Texas. These unknown cases, he explained, are those not reported to the health authorities. Many of them are early cases and the people themselves may not know that they are ill since tuberculosis has no obvious symptoms in the early stage, he said.

In issuing his official memorandum the Governor said: "The more we support the work of tuberculosis associations, the closer we shall be to victory over tuberculosis in Texas. Since the annual Christmas Seal Sale constitutes the sole support of State and local associations, we take an active part in the fight against this disease every time we buy and use Christmas Seals."

James F. Livezey Dies Sunday Night From Heart Attack

James Fletcher Livezey died suddenly at 11:45 o'clock, Sunday night, from a heart attack while working on a drilling rig in the Workers Pool near Bakersfield. He was employed by Dr. Hal Cooper.

Livezey had been a resident of McCamey since 1944.

He was born Oct. 24, 1883, in Everest, Kan., and was a resident of Cleveland, Okla., for many years before moving to Texas. He was married Oct. 12, 1931, to Eula Calvert in Norman, Okla.

Survivors besides the wife are: two sons, James Fletcher and Noble Armon, of McCamey; one daughter, Mrs. Buelah Lee Dublin, Odessa; step mother, Mrs. Rose Livezey, Cleveland, Okla.; one sister, Mrs. E. B. Mangold, of Cleveland, Okla., and one step brother, Edward Grimsley, Shidler, Okla.

Services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in McCamey, with Rev. W. I. Lee, minister, officiating.

Pair Jailed Here On Shoplifting Charges

David McMillan and his wife, Agnes McMillan, are in the Upton County jail in Rankin this week facing shoplifting charges filed in County Court after their arrest in downtown McCamey Saturday night.

Sheriff H. E. "Gene" Eckols and Chief of Police F. D. Belcher were arresting officers.

Following the arrest, several McCamey merchants reported missing merchandise, while others reported purchase of merchandise by the woman under the alias of "Mrs. George Williamson."

Investigation was underway by the sheriff's department Wednesday night on prior activity of the couple and Sheriff Eckols reported that the FBI and US Immigration Service are both aiding in the investigation.

McMillan stated that he originally came from Nova Scotia, Canada.

Some merchandise, along with other belongings in possession of the couple, are in custody of the sheriff's department in Rankin.

Foy Wallace Dies In Longview Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wallace of McCamey left Monday for Longview upon the sudden death of Mr. Wallace's father, Foy, in Longview on that day. Cause of the death was not available on Wednesday.

Funeral services were reported to be held Tuesday morning in Longview, with burial to be at Georgetown.

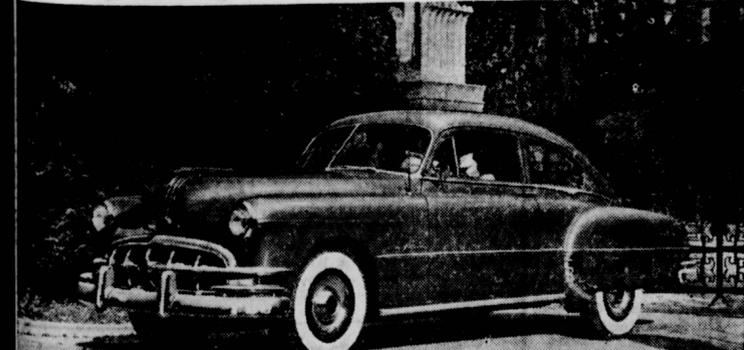
Trimmings for Christmas



Four new ideas, three for Christmas tree decorations, and one for a fireplace mantle, can be easily and quickly made from American Home magazine patterns. The angel is of powder puffs, and cotton; the troubador of colored pipe cleaners and an egg shell, the Santa from crepe paper and cotton. The miniature village is of paper, cellophane, cotton and artificial snow.



Sparkling New Pontiac Makes Debut



The enhanced beauty of the 1950 Pontiac is well exemplified in the dashing lines of the Streamliner two-door sedan pictured here. Pontiac again offers a wide variety of choice with two lines of cars, six or eight cylinder engines and Hydra-Matic or synchro-mesh transmission. The Hydra-Matic transmission is optional on all models at extra cost.

Operating on display at Coat's Motor Co. in McCamey today, the 1950 Pontiacs offer 28 appearance and mechanical improvements headlined by a substantial increase in 8-cylinder power.

Pontiac again gives its customers an extremely wide choice. Streamliner and Streamliner lines continued with standard and deluxe styling, six or eight cylinder engines and Hydra-Matic synchro-mesh transmissions. The eight cylinder engine has been increased to produce 108 horsepower. Horsepower of the

six cylinder engine remains at 90. Compression ratios for both engines are 6.5—allowing maximum performance with operational savings on non-premium gasolines.

Frontal design of both Chiefains and Streamliners reach a new degree of massive integrity with main grille bars reaching out and around the fenders, carrying the approach pattern into side view. Parking lamps are newly designed to carry out the horizontal flow. The grille, itself, is heavier and quartered by prominent support bars. The center support carries the traditional Indian Head medallion.

Standard model upholstery is mixed wool cloth selected for its trim appearance and long wearing capacity. Cloud gray is the dominant tone enlivened by dual pin stripes of plum and pebble gray at one and one-half inch intervals. Cushions and seat backs are finished with maroon piping. Arm rests are trimmed in maroon hard finish material and bound with narrow chrome moulding. Sidewalls, front seat and head lining are in harmonizing shades of gray. Overall tone of the standard models is a rich, subdued elegance attained by a motor car in the Pontiac price range.

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BRIDGING A BIG GAP

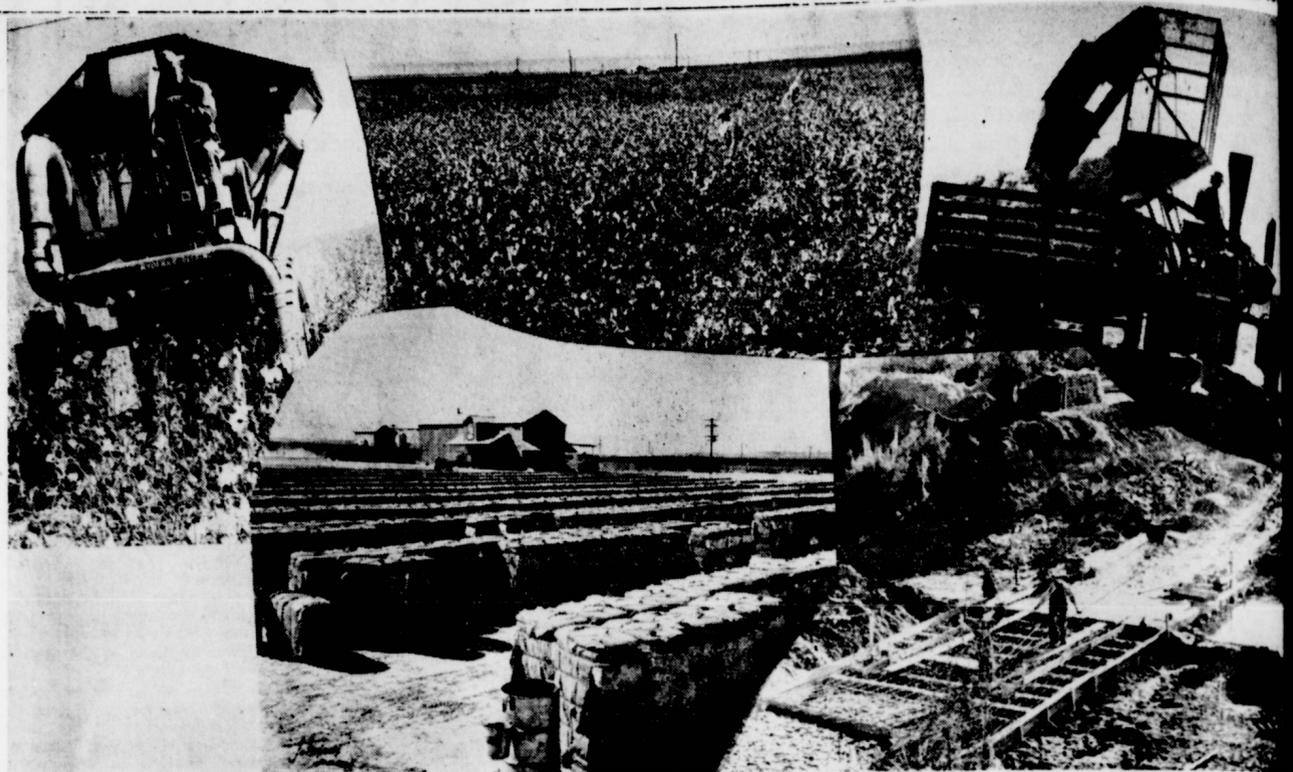
If anybody wonders why the meat packing industry is essential to the American economy, he should just look at a distorted map of the country showing each state sized in proportion to its production of meat on the hoof—and then at another map showing the states sized in relation to total meat consumption.

These maps look like nothing you ever saw before. For example, on the first one, dealing with meat production, such a state as New York makes a very small splash indeed. But when it comes to the map showing where meat is eaten, New York is a giant, due, of course, to its huge population. And the same thing is true in varying degrees of the rest of the states.

The point is that the important livestock-producing areas and the major meat-consuming areas just don't match up. Most of the meat is produced west of the Mississippi, and most of it winds up on dinner tables east of the Mississippi.

The packers, among other things, bridge that gap. They offer farmers and ranchers in every section of the land a ready, cash market for their livestock, and they pay a price which is determined by the current supply and demand situation. Then they turn around and move the meat to the centers of population where it can be sold. For performing that all-important service to agriculture and the consumer, they earn an average profit of but a fraction of a cent per pound on all the meat sold at retail.

Few consumers can go to a farm to buy their meat—even as few farmers could go to the cities and sell it. That's why there is a packing industry.



THE PULSE OF THE CITY OF McCAMEY AND THE PECOS COUNTY FARMING DISTRICT JUST EIGHT MILES SOUTH OF THE CITY WAS BEATING JUST A LITTLE FASTER THIS WEEK AS THE ALL-WEATHER ROAD LEADING INTO THE HEART OF THE AREA BECAME A REALITY. A short visit into the area over the past week are brought to life for many of the citizens of McCamey in the above pictures. At upper left, D. D. Ray is shown at the controls of a mechanical cotton picker on the West Texas Cotton Oil Company farm lying just south of the gin. The rows of cotton are run through the giant jaws of the ma-

chine, with cotton ending up in the bin in the rear of the operator and the stalks and leaves on the ground. Upper center is shown a scene that could be reminiscent of winter with the snowy white appearance. Bill Moors, editor of the McCamey News, is shown in the shoulder high cotton belonging to Darrel Warren. Oh, yes, this particular area has been handpicked once already! At upper right, the mechanical cotton picker "dumps the load" in the trailer . . . and then to the gin. The mechanical device is credited with "picking" up to 14 bales a day. At lower left is shown the heart of the area . . . the cotton gin. More than 1,500 bales of cotton was on the ground Friday morning and more than 2,000 bales had been processed by the gin at that time.

The cotton seed mill is shown at the rear of the gin with a truck being loaded out with a seed cargo. In the shot at the lower right corner, it may appear that a crossing may still be in the distant future. But this Saturday morning shot shows the barrels in position, much of the foundation prepared, and the braces being placed into position. The concrete mixer is on the far bank. The cement for the lower half of the bridge was poured and completed late Sunday evening, and the bridge was open to traffic Wednesday. Waters of the Pecos may be seen flowing through the tunnels on the far side of the river of that portion of the bridge that had been completed this previous week. (Photos and Layout by Johnson Photo)

Good Will, Good Neighbors, And Good Road Tells Story As The City Of McCamey Is Linked With The Pecos Farming District

A project that was in the talking stages some twenty-one months ago . . . and at the time many could see little hope of it getting past the talking stage . . . became a reality this week when the farm road leading from McCamey into the heart of the Pecos County farming area eight miles in distance was opened.

The final cement on the low water bridge was poured late Sunday night, and the first traffic on the bridge started Wednesday.

Interest in the farming area has hit a high during the past month by the citizens and merchants of McCamey as hundreds have traveled into the farming area to see the operations of the mechanical cotton pickers, the gin operations and the many other features of farming that are "something new" to this oil center.

Many others have traversed the road on the north side of the river to see the progress of the road work leading up to the river. A portion of the work lay in Upton County, but most of the construction passed through the extreme western section of Crockett County.

5,000 ACRES

Just what lies "on the other side of the river?"

Information obtained in a visit to the area the past week disclosed that some 5,000 acres of land was in cultivation for the production of cotton, and that more than 5,000 bales of cotton are expected to be produced from the area.

Jessie Turner, ginner at the Paymaster Gin, disclosed Friday that 2,141 bales had been processed at that time. The bales average 460 pounds each. It was estimated that 700 pounds of cotton seed is obtained from each bale of cotton.

As much of the cotton was planted late, a portion of experiments carried on by the farmers, much of the land will not produce its capacity this year. Cotton that was planted early during the past season is producing better than two bales to the acre.

GIN INTERESTING

T. L. George, manager of the gin, stated that many people have visited the plant during the recent week, and that he "was surprised how many people from the oil country was familiar with the operations of the gin".

The Paymaster Gin operates 24 hours each day, with the average production between 100 and 110 bales of cotton daily. The bales are prepared for immediate shipment to factories with the use of high intensity compress, saving an extra cost for the farmers.

The gin also has a drier that enables it to produce in all kinds of weather. The drier can be controlled to the degree needed to dry "wet cotton" and maintain continuous operation.

Cotton seed is prepared for shipping as the cotton is being processed. With this dual production, the trucks are kept busy keeping up with operations. Friday, there was about 1,500 bales of cotton on the yard, and the cotton seed mill was overflowing. The gin yard was clear, however, and was keeping up with the farmers in the processing operation.

Gin officials extended a welcome to the people of McCamey and the surrounding area to visit the gin at anytime during the day or night, and stated that they would take them on a tour of the plant and explain the various functions of the gin.

LABOR OK

While it appeared early in the fall that sufficient labor would not be available for the area, several of the farmers have purchased mechanical cotton pickers to beat the shortage. These mechanical units "pic" up to 14 bales daily, it is reported.

Along with the use of the mechanical devices, a number of Mexican laborers have been secured from Mexico, and local help has been obtained to aid in the cotton picking process.

With this combination, no reports of labor shortages have been reported by any of the farmers in the area.

BRIDGE READY

Completion of the low water bridge this week marked the end of a "family affair" that included a large portion of West Texas. In fact, it is one of the few projects that was ever built on "good will and good neighbors" in this section.

In the beginning, it was Upton, Crockett, and Pecos County, along with the McCamey Chamber of Commerce as the participants in the working of the road.

These groups were to work out the details with Homer Tippett in securing the right-of-way leading into the area.

With the right-of-way secured, then the City of McCamey, merchants and individuals of Mc-

Camey and the farmers of Pecos County entered into the picture along with the before mentioned bodies.

Upton and Crockett Counties purchased the right-of-way, the City of McCamey agreed to build two waterings in the west pasture of Homer Tippett, the merchants of McCamey donated more than \$8,000 for the purchase and erection of fencing in Crockett County, and the farmers were to build the low water bridge.

The Chamber of Commerce continued as the guiding and go-between group for the overall project.

The Humble Oil Company and Phillips Oil Company donated money and materials to aid the farmers in securing a portion of the supplies for the bridge, while the farmers donated money, materials, engineering, supervision and labor for the bridge.

Fred Banowsky engineered the project, while J. W. Howard spent more than two weeks from his farm for the supervision of the work on the bridge. All the farmers donated Mexican labor for the project.

Dulyn Butler, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Butler of the Gulf Production Camp was an Iran visitor last week. He is a graduate of Texas Tech and is making his home in Midland with Mrs. Butler and their baby son.

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership business heretofore conducted in Rankin, Upton County, Texas by Henry H. Ward and Harry B. Stevens under the firm name of RANKIN FURNITURE COMPANY has on this the 19th day of November, A.D. 1949, been dissolved by mutual consent and agreement. The partnership interest of Harry B. Stevens has been sold and transferred to Henry H. Ward and wife Belle F. Ward and the said Harry B. Stevens has withdrawn from said business and such business will be continued under the name of RANKIN FURNITURE COMPANY at the same place in Rankin, Upton County, Texas. All debts due to the said partnership are to be paid and those due from the same discharged at the RANKIN FURNITURE COMPANY in Rankin, Upton County Texas.

SIGNED THIS THE 19th day of November, A.D. 1949.

Henry H. Ward
Belle F. Ward
Harry B. Stevens

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF UPTON

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, in and for Upton County, Texas, on this day personally appeared Henry H. Ward and Belle F. Ward, his wife, both known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they each executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and the said Belle F. Ward, wife of the said Henry H. Ward, having been examined by

me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her, she, said Belle F. Ward acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and she declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this 19th day of November, A.D. 1949.
Mrs. Will Nix
Notary Public, Upton County Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF NOLAN

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for Nolan County, Texas on this day personally appeared Harry B. Stevens, known to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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From where I sit . . . by Joe Marsh

Watch Out For The Symptoms!

Laughed out loud when I heard Hoot Davis was down with Chicken Pox. A man of forty-five catching a kid's disease!

So I went to see him, armed with jokes about "second childhood" but forgot them fast when I got there. Hoot looked terrible and had quite a fever.

While we talked, I come to think of how Chicken Pox is a lot like other "diseases"—diseases of the character, such as intolerance, self-righteousness or just plain ignorance. They're excusable in children, but when they come out in

adults they're ten times as bad—and can be mighty "contagious."

From where I sit, we should all watch out for the "symptoms"—little things like criticizing a person's preference for a friendly glass of temperate beer or ale. We've seen personal freedom wither away in other countries, when individual intolerance was allowed to get out of hand and become a nation-wide epidemic.

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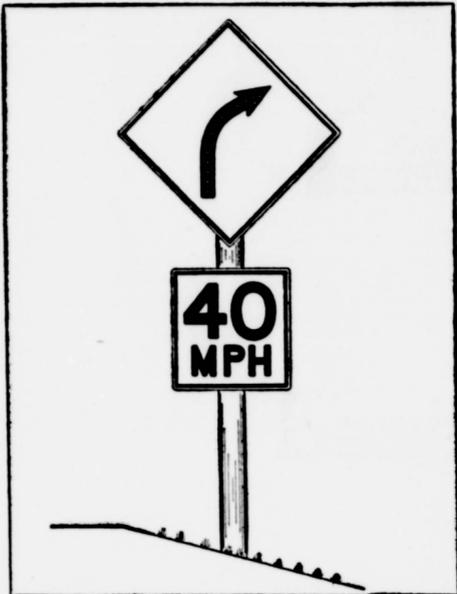
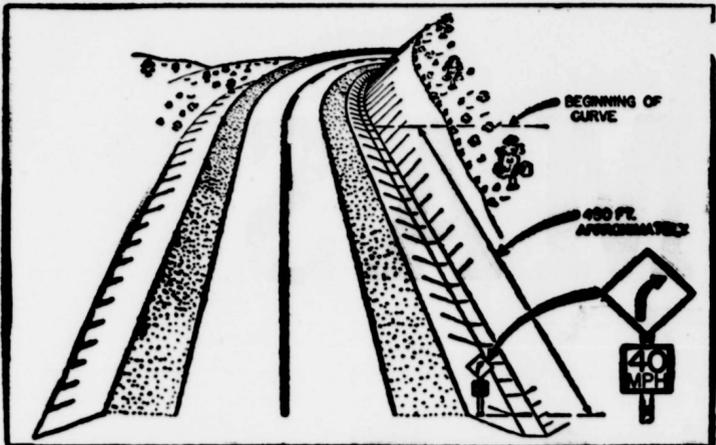
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RANKIN HIGH SCHOOL, RANKIN, TEXAS

Friday, November 25, 1949



NEW HIGHWAY SIGNS GIVE EXTRA SAFETY

Austin, Texas, November 22—A few months ago a new type of highway sign, an advisory speed sign to aid in traffic safety, made its appearance on Texas main highways. This was part of the Texas Highway Department's program of informing motorists of the maximum safe and comfortable speed on curves and turns which are not considered safe to travel at speeds above 50 miles per hour. It is a sign with a yellow background and black numerals and letters and is placed below curve signs.

The speed indicated on the sign is not the maximum at which a turn may be taken, but is the maximum at which the average car can make the turn without uncomfortable sidethrow of its passengers and still stay on its side of the road.

The Governor's Highway Safety Conference held last spring recommended that the Texas Department Institute a program of speed zoning and marking curves with safe speeds, and these signs are a result of that recommendation.

Motorists using speeds indicated on the signs are enthusiastic in praise of them. Letters commending the signs as part of the highway safety program are received daily in the Austin office of the Texas Highway Department.

SENIORITY

This week the senior to take the spotlight is none other than little Don Still. He was born July 18, 1933, at Slaton, Texas.

Don is 6' 2" tall and weighs 167 pounds. He has gray eyes and brown hair. His favorite sport is basketball and last year he won two awards playing center on the team. He was also captain of this year's football team.

Don likes pecan pie, JoVeta Yocham, typing, fighting (whipping Bill Hurn), Paul Johnson, and Dee Ann Gamblin. He dislikes studying and hard work. His favorites are: color—blue; car—Chevrolet; pastime—playing checkers with Bill Hurn and taking JoVeta places; girl—JoVeta.

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Thos. Bowden Farrar Dies Here Last Friday

Thomas Bowden Farrar, 58, resident of Miles, died at 8:15 o'clock Friday morning, November 18, at the Iraan Hospital after being a patient here two days. Mr. Farrar, a brother-in-law of Dr. A. D. Robertson, was brought to Iraan for treatment after having been ill for some weeks.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 Sunday afternoon from the First Baptist Church of Miles with the Rev. R. L. Herring officiating. Burial was in the Miles Cemetery. The body was taken overland to Miles by the Jacobsen Funeral Home of McCamey. Arrangements in Miles were directed by the Lacy Funeral Home.

Mr. Farrar was a resident of Miles for 20 years. He was a draftsman by trade but for several years had operated a recreation hall in Miles.

He was born on April 11, 1891, in Ennis, Texas. He was married to Miss Vera Robertson in Frost, Texas, on June 23, 1923. He was affiliated with the Methodist Church.

James Gamblin sang "Frankie Lane style" last Thursday night at ASMAR, a big stage entertainment by the Alpha Sigma Sorority.

Orchids And Onions

Onions to Ted for joining the Army (or at least for saying he did).

Orchids to the basketball boys for being in good shape.

Onions to six weeks test for coming so soon.

Orchids to the Thanksgiving holidays for coming this week.

Onions to JoVeta for telling so many lies. (Says Ted).

Orchids to Mrs. Schmidt for giving such an easy six weeks test.

Onions to Lee for leaving dear old Rankin.

Orchids to Marjorie for being such a good kid.

Onions to Vada Mae for being like a cyclone.

Onions to Virginia for not being able to make up her mind.

Orchids to Ted for seeing that the paper gets to McCamey in time to be printed.

Orchids to Lawanda for getting what she wants.

Onions to the eighth grade for not having any news this week.

Orchids to Elbert finally taking a hint that Lawanda doesn't appreciate him any more. (Did she ever?????????)

Onions to Chock for telling jokes.

Orchids to Harry and Lawanda for settling their little disputes so quietly.



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The Devil's Pitchfork

It is rumored that Ted is going to go to Oklahoma for Christmas. Wonder why?????????

We hear that the Leche family is increasing. (For information ask Ted as he is the grandfather Leche.)

Elbert, we are still waiting for information about you and Lawanda. Is there any handy???????

What has befallen upon Rankin? Ted washed his car this week.

Say, Norman, can you tell us about the road to Godsy's???????

Where was it that Virginia was seen Friday night? Was it with Norman?????????

It is rumored that Macbeth had an effect on Lee, Winnie and Ruthie, as they are playing the part of the three witches.

It seems as though Ruthie and Bill Hurn have eyes for each other.

Lee, we hope you didn't get into too much trouble having two dates in one night.

It seems as though Billy Brown is a woman hater lately. Tell us all about your not having any dates in the last few days, Billy.

Elbert, would you or Jimmy please give us more information about where you two were Saturday night ??????????

Wanda, did you and Harry ever settle your argument the other day?????????

Vada, we hear that you like all the boys, but they won't pay any attention to you. (Says Jimmy Workman.)

Donald White, who is your new admirer? Could it be Esther C.?

The Jolliest Junior

The jolliest junior is the one and only Bill (William) Hurn. He was born May 14, 1933, in San Angelo.

Bill is 5' 9", weighs 140 pounds, has black hair and blue eyes. He plays basketball and football.

His favorites are: food—hamburgers; sports—basketball and tennis; color—red; pastime—beating on Don (Ha! Ha!) and going with Ruthie (his favorite girl) and Bill's favorite subject is algebra.

Bill's dislikes are gifts he gets when he says "Have It," housework, and hard English assignments (aren't they all hard?)

Students Hit-Parade

Where Are You Now That I Need You—Shorty Taylor to Lee
Homework—Winnie to John.

I Don't See Me In Your Eyes Anymore—Vada to Chock.
Ain't She Sweet—Don to Jo Veta.

Slipping Around—Lawanda to Chock.

If I Could Be With You—Ted to Marlene.

Who Do You Love, I Hope—Norman to Virginia.

Kiss Me Sweet—Chock to all the girls.

I'll Never Slip Around Again—Don to Jo Veta.

Take It Easy—Elbert to Lawanda.

I Don't Want To Set The World On Fire—Bill to Ruthie.

I Love You, Yes I Do—Students to Thanksgiving Holidays.

Why Don't You Haul Off And Love Me—Marjorie to ??????????

I'm Waltzing With A Broken Heart—Imogene to ??????????

Basketball Season Opens Here Tuesday

The boys started last Wednesday with a very hard workout. We can't tell who will be the starting lineup just yet. There will be about ten boys working hard to make the starting lineup. We hope for a very successful season. We also are glad we have new suits this year.

Our first game will be with the town team. Tuesday, Nov. 29, we will play Mertzon.

T.A.B. Holds Party, Book Review Friday

This month's T. A. B. party was held Friday, Nov. 17, at Jimmy Workman's home.

The review on the book, Pony Express, by H. Driggs, was given by Elbert Echols.

The following were present: Bill Hurn, Dillard Delaney, Elbert Echols, Jimmy Workman, Donald White, Earl Brown, Wallace Moody, JoVeta Yocham, Don Still, and Mrs. Schmidt.

Everyone enjoyed the interesting book review and the discussion which followed.

Refreshments of cold drinks and cookies were served.

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OLD-FASHIONED THANKSGIVING

Yes, this is what we call "Thanksgiving," but are you really giving thanks?

When our forefathers celebrated Thanksgiving, it was a more solemn occasion than it is now. Then the day set aside was given for the thanking of God. Now Thanksgiving is just a day for the family to get together and have a wonderful dinner. We enjoy the good food and the wonderful time, but we forget the most important thing, GOD. Yes, it is God who has made it possible for us to be together and have the good food. So, this year let us resolve to have an old-fashioned Thanksgiving and thank God.

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