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County Clerk's Records Show Graphic Picture of Varied Upton Activities

A hurried survey in the County District Clerks office in Rankin the past week showed a graphic picture in oil and gas transactions within the county the past year, as well as other statistics relative to business transactions in real estate. Ralph Daugherty, holder of the office, released the following data. Approximately twenty-one books were filled last year covering deeds, oil and gas sales, deeds of trust, with oil and gas, and real estate transactions calling for most of the pages of the books. Some twenty-five materialmen's liens comprised some 82 pages. This gives a graphic picture of construction in Upton County in 1949. Ten bills of sale were recorded. A total of 528 pages were consumed with the filing of chattels of chattels on realty. An estimated 3,000 instruments were filed in the office during the past year. This figure includes deeds, trusts, abstracts of judgment, releases, oil and gas

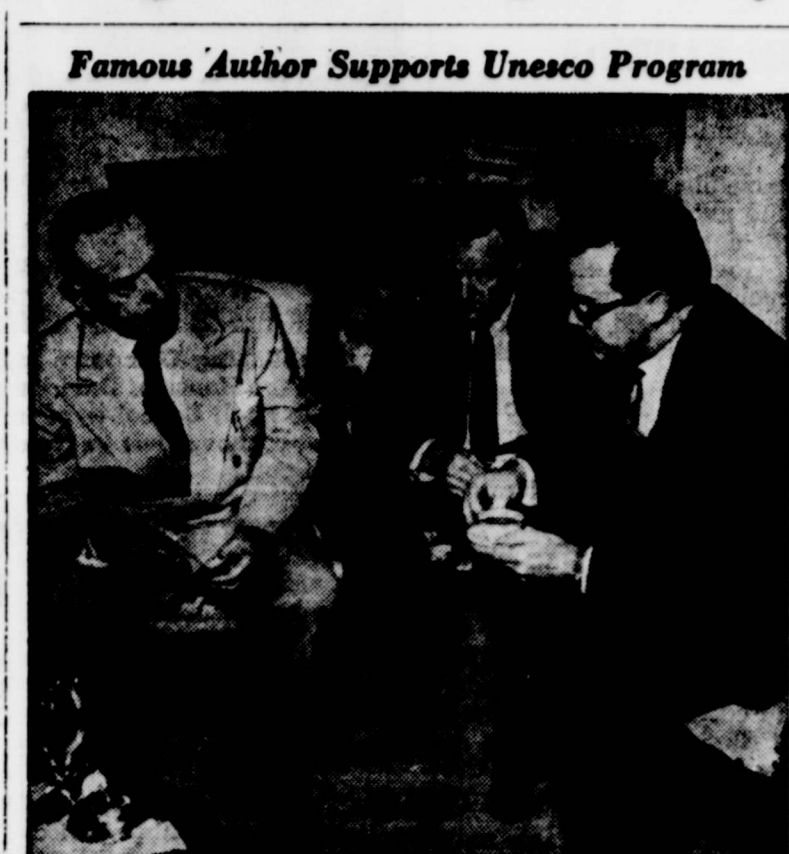
leases, and mineral and royalty deeds. Between 7,500 and 8,000 pages were recorded in the permanent record files of Upton County in the year just ended. In addition to this nature of recording, the Clerk's office showed the following figures relative to cases filed in the various courts in Upton County. The county court docket revealed that a total of 103 cases were filed and included 25 probate cases were filed, 69 criminal cases and nine civil cases. In the 83rd and 112th District Courts, both which cover Upton County, a total of 67 cases were filed and included 50 civil cases, which included 22 divorce cases; 16 criminal cases, and one juvenile case. A total of 25 applications for beer, wine and liquor permits were filed, and a like number of applications were made for assumed names of businesses. In the matter of vital statistics, the records showed that 73 marriage licenses were issued through the Clerk's office, but Mr. Daugherty noted that license issuance had decreased with the

passage of the law requiring blood tests and other requirements in September of 1949. Records showed that 20 deaths occurred in Upton County during the past year, but were more than offset by 88 births that were recorded. Seven stock brands were recorded in the files. In addition to keeping the above records, the County Clerk handled the procedures for four special elections held in the county during the past year, and noted that it was the first year for the use of the "Secret Ballot Law" in the state as passed by the last legislature. All minutes of the Upton County Commissioners' Court are also maintained and kept in Mr. Daugherty's office. Although the year's work in the office was above "average," it was below the number of instruments handled during 1948. Sara Lee Stephenson is the Chief Clerk in the office and the only other employee in excess of Mr. Daugherty, the present County and District Clerk.

Poll Tax Payments Lag In Upton County

Fewer than 70 persons had paid poll taxes in Upton County late Wednesday afternoon, according to information coming from the Sheriff's, Tax Assessors and Collectors office. H. E. "Gene" Eckols noted that this was the slowest year in tax payments in several years, but figured that the election held in November relative to the poll tax requirement had had some effect on the payments to date. He reminded that the proposed amendment failed, and that poll taxes must be paid in order to qualify to vote in the elections during the coming year. Final date for payment is Jan. 31. Payments may be made at the collector's office in the courthouse at Rankin, or for the persons who reside in the McCamey area, a temporary office will be opened in McCamey from Jan. 23 thru Jan. 31 for the sale of poll taxes. Eckols predicted "close to 2000" on the number of voters who will pay poll taxes before the deadline.

William Daniel, Upton Escapee, Caught In Oregon City Saturday



William Ward Daniel, who slugged Deputy Bob Schlagal and escaped with a cellmate in August, 1948, was arrested in downtown Dallas, Oregon, last Saturday afternoon on a pickup order that was released by Upton County Sheriff H. E. "Gene" Eckols some 18 months ago. The Upton County Sheriff's office was notified of the arrest Saturday night, and were further advised late Monday that Daniel had waived extradition procedures and was ready to be returned. Sheriff Eckols and Deputy Bob Schlagal left Tuesday night to return Daniel to Rankin where he will be lodged in the Upton County jail to face charges of jail-break in the 83rd District Court. Daniel and his escaped companion, John Vincent Hughes, were being held on burglary charges at the time of the jail-break. They were charged with burglarizing the Yocham Service Station in Rankin. No word has been received concerning Hughes.

As part of its world-wide educational activities the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) has joined hands with the Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe (CARE), in placing books in libraries where the largest number of people will be able to use them. Here, Dr. Thomas Mann, renowned author discusses plans for educational reconstruction with Edward J. Flynn, Director for CARE in the Western part of the U.S.A., and Unesco-Care liaison officer, Dr. Robert Stanforth.

TWO PEGASUS POOL OUTPOSTS SHOW OIL, GAS

Oil and gas was shown on tests Wednesday by two projects in the Pegasus field in Upton and Midland Counties. Magnolia No. 1-B TLX showed gas to the surface at the maximum rate of 143,000 cubic feet daily and recovered 650 feet of oil and gas-cut drilling mud on a two-hour drillstem test from 11,958 to 12,056 feet in the Silurian. There was no water. Open flowing bottomhole pressure was 180-225 pounds; no shut-in pressure. Operators were fishing for two stuck packers. No. 1-B TXL is 660 feet from the north and east lines of the southwest quarter of section 31-40-48-T&P. Phillips No. 1-BB TXL on the Midland County side of the Pegasus pool recovered 450 feet of gas-cut mud and 7,000 feet of sweet gas in the drillstem on a 150-minute drillstem test from 12,196 to 12,332 feet in the Silurian, topped at 12,311 feet. A 3-700-foot water blanket was used. No. 1-BB TXL was drilling ahead at 12,480 feet in Silurian lime. It is 664 feet from the south, 660.5 feet from the east line of section 25-41-48-T&P. Cities Service and Skelly No. 1-AD University, wildcat 15 miles north of Iraan and a mile north-east of the Crockett field, was plugging to abandon at 7,837 feet in the Ellenburger, picked tentatively at 7,685 feet. Sulphur water flowed at the rate of 10 barrels hourly after two hours on a drillstem test from 7,837 feet lasting 2-1-4 hours. The failure was 1,980 feet from the north, 660 feet from the east line of section 10-14-U. Other Upton County wildcats, Samedan No. 1 Neal was drilling at 10,043 feet in black shale, Republics at 12,662 feet in lime, Humble No. 1 Oswald perforated 5-1-2 inch liner from 11,520 to 11,595 feet; swabbing and testing the Fusselman was planned.

Rankin PTA Delegates Named For Bi-County Meeting At McCamey

Mmes. Campbell White, R. H. Hanson, Sam Holmes, Ralph Daugherty and Jeff Ray McSpadden were named delegates to the County PTA Council which will convene at 9:30 Friday morning, Jan. 6, in the McCamey Park building. The meeting closed with the Parent-Teachers' prayer and refreshments were served by Mmes. D. McSpadden, Sam Hodges, A. Gilbert, J. M. Moody, and Gordon Steele.

Neva Rae Taylor Is New Secretary In County Attorney Office

Miss Neva Rae Taylor, who has been with the Elliott-Waldrone Abstract Co. in Fort Worth for some time, has resigned and returned to Rankin, where she has accepted a secretarial position with County Attorney John A. Menefee. Mrs. Joe T. McCommis, Jr., (Mary Ann Workman), resigned the position in the county attorney's office recently.

"High School Day" Highlights P. T. A. Meeting On Tuesday

The Rankin Parent-Teachers Association designated their Tuesday meeting this week as "High School Day." High School students served as pro-tem officers and had charge of both the business and program portions of the meeting. Joveta Yocham and Marjorie White, seniors, served as president and secretary respectively with various other students giving the committee reports, etc. Jimmy Workman was program chairman and presented a program which consisted of a panel discussion on "Juvenile Delinquency" which was participated in by Lloyd Gene Yocham, DeAun Gamblin, Wilma Payne, and Virginia Godsey, and four rumberes were sung by the Choral Club under the direction of Miss Cleona Quiett. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clemens spent New Years with the latter's parents in Hobbs, N. M.

Pecos Valley Worker's Conference Held At Pecos Last Tuesday

The quarterly meeting of the Pecos Valley Workers' Conference was held at Pecos in the First Baptist Church Tuesday of this week from 10:30 to 2:30. The morning session consisted of the presentation of plans for 1950 for the Training Union by Rev. J. C. Hatfield of Kermit and an inspirational talk on Woman's Missionary Plans and Programs for 1950 by Mrs. Wilbur Harris of McCamey, WMU President of the Association. Rev. W. M. Martin, Grandfalls pastor, delivered the sermon for the morning session and Rev. Clifton Tennison, Ozona, for the afternoon. Executive board meetings were held at special tables during the noon meal which was served by the host church. Mrs. Hallie Ray Collins, WMU President of the El Paso Association, was a special guest during the luncheon.

Methodist Youth Have New Year's Eve Party

The Methodist Youth Fellowship enjoyed a New Year's Eve party in the dining room of the church Saturday night. Following an enchilada dinner, the youngsters had a "sing-song" with Mona Sue Branch at the organ and James Gamblin leading the singing. Wanda Burleson, Betty Sue Bodine, Esther Clark and Nola Grace Boyd planned the party, assisted by Mrs. L. Bodine, Mrs. Frank Boyd and Mrs. R. H. Johnson. Fields Branch and James Gamblin, both members of the MYF, home from college for the holidays, were special guests. Twenty-one young people and four adults attended the dinner-party.

Sheriff Office Clerk Moves To Big Spring

Mrs. Roma Elliott Allen has resigned her position as clerk in the Upton County Sheriff's office and has moved to Big Spring, where Mr. Allen is employed by the Sonora Drilling Co. VISIT IN KANSAS Mr. and Mrs. David Workman and Cathey Ann spent the holidays in Kansas with relatives. Mrs. Workman and the baby visited in Dumas and Tulsa, Texas, between Christmas and New Year's and Mr. Workman brought them home to Rankin Monday. MOVE TO BENEDUM Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Russell, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Titsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keyes, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bushong and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Black are occupying new houses in the Slick-Urchell Camp at the Benedum Field.

Mrs. R. C. Schlagal Suffers Broken Arm

Mrs. R. C. Schlagal, manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Rankin office, broke her left arm a few days ago when she fell from a step-ladder in her home here. The injury is in a cast.

GIRL TO HOLCOMBS

A baby girl weighing six lbs. and five ozs. was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holcomb in a San Angelo hospital on Dec. 31. The baby has been named Evelyn Gay. Mrs. C. J. Holcomb of Rankin is the paternal grandmother and the paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lancaster of May, Texas.



The new \$250,000 Memorial Hospital in Fort Stockton will hold formal opening and public inspection Sunday afternoon, January 8, 2 to 4 p.m., and people of all West Texas are invited to attend.

New Ft. Stockton Hospital To Have "Open House" January 8

Fort Stockton, January 4.—A team of many years will be reared for the people of the Fort Stockton are Sunday, January 8 when they have the opportunity to see the modern hospital facilities provided by the brand new \$250,000 Memorial Hospital. With every facility for surgery and clinical laboratory examination, the new hospital will also provide 23 patient beds in its spacious and restfully appointed patient rooms. Attractive public areas and a modern kitchen are other facilities provided in the stately fire-proof structure. Construction of the new hospital was financed by a Pecos County bond issue, but the hospital will be operated as an open general hospital, designed to help serve the hospital needs of a vast area in the Trans-Pecos country. Surrounding communi-

ties not now served by hospitals will be especially invited to view and use its facilities. Management of the Memorial Hospital, and the new General Hospital at Iraan, now under construction, will be the responsibility of a six-man board of managers appointed by the Pecos County Commissioners' Court. J. A. Casebier, Fort Stockton farmer, is board president, and George Baker, Fort Stockton publisher, is board president. Other members are Carl Smith, Fort Stockton; J. R. McKee, Imperial, W. W. Hensley and W. R. Lanehart, Iraan. Miss Ellen Flynn, registered nurse, and former superintendent of nurses of El Paso General Hospital, is superintendent of the hospital and has full administrative responsibility. A competent staff of nurses and technical assistants will be on hand to serve the public, both patients within the hospital and

those who require laboratory service only. The medical staff is made up of licensed physicians resident in Fort Stockton, with D. C. E. Oswald chosen by other physicians as chief of staff for the coming year. Dr. J. A. Pate of Sanger, also a member of the active staff, is associate chief of staff, and Dr. Ben A. McReynolds of Fort Stockton will be secretary. In addition to the active staff made up of all other resident MDs, the members of the Big Bend Medical Society are approved for the courtesy staff, and other licensed practitioners may likewise qualify for courtesy staff membership regardless of place of residence. The hospital will be ready to receive patients immediately after the formal opening in January 8, planned from 2 until 4 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Bell were Midland visitors Saturday.

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SEE COTTON BOWL GAME

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery spent the weekend and the Monday holiday in Dallas, where they attended the Cotton Bowl game.

NOTICE

Your paper will be of much more interest to you if you will phone items of interest to the reporter for The Rankin News. Mrs. Tom Workman. She will be glad to have anything you can contribute in the way of personal, social or civic news for your paper.



Iraan F. F. A. Members and their entries in the Annual Sheep and Livestock Show to be held in Iraan this week are shown above (left to right) Ray Gooch, W. L. Ivy, Bill McCarver, Richard Burnett, Jack Stanton, Buddy Black and Leon Ford.

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AN EXAMPLE FROM FLORIDA

The state of Florida is now demonstrating that it intends to plan its future without running to the Federal government for help.

Florida wants industries and payrolls which are suited to its resources. Years of just talking about adding industry to the state's economic foundation of agriculture and tourist trade has ended, and action begun. Governor Fuller Warren has named a Florida Industrial Development Council, made up of nine top-flight, practical business men and the heads of seven state agencies. He charged them with the responsibility of "getting desirable industrial payrolls."

The Council was formed with complete disregard of political and partisan considerations. It will function independently of the state government. It will not seek the "smoke stack" type of industry, as those would not be suited to Florida. As an example of the desired type, the manufacture of watches and other precision instruments has been cited, along with fabrics, clothing, food-processing, etc.

Florida, of its own volition, and with its own resources, is displaying its opportunities to both industry and labor in the fields where they can make use of its special advantages. This is a highly refreshing spectacle—and it is a far cry from the type of thinking which asks the Federal government and all the taxpayers to step in and foot the bill when a state or a town wants something. Florida is showing the nation the right way, and the typically American way, to get things done.

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MORE FREE SPEAKING NEWSPAPERS 	MORE PLACES OF AMUSEMENT 
MORE COMFORTABLE HOMES 	MORE ELECTRICITY 

AMERICANS HAVE MORE OF EVERYTHING THAN ANYBODY ELSE!

Remember that, when you hear tales of the marvels of a socialistic government . . . when people urge that our government get that way by taking over the electric industry, steel, railroads, medicine, and so on and on. Look at the record. AMERICANS HAVE MORE OF EVERYTHING THAN ANYBODY ELSE. Freedom did it, and never forget that. It makes a lot of difference to you—and to your family.

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News Publishing Company Independent Basketball players will meet the House of David, nationally known team, on Feb. 7th in the High School gym in Crane. Members of the Davids shown above (left to right) Joe Roth, Moose Ludka and Johnny Scott.

SHEFFIELD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes have had as their guest for some time, Mrs. Hughes' mother, Mrs. Nora Tucker. Mrs. Tucker went from here to Sinton, Texas where she will be a guest of another daughter.

Miss Francis Pipkin and Douglas Haley were quietly married in Iraan Thursday, December 29, in the presence of the immediate family. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pipkin of Iraan. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Haley. The newly married couple left immediately after the ceremony for Austin where they both are students in the University.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Black have as their guests their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Black and children of Lubbock.

Gibson Relative Dies In Corsicana

Mrs. Fred Gibson received word Wednesday night of the death of her brother-in-law, Charles J. Brown, of Corsicana.

Mr. Brown passed away at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, January 4, at his home. Funeral services are to be held Friday morning in Corsicana with interment in the Corsicana cemetery.

CLASSIFIED ADS

SALESMEN WANTED
 DON'T WRITE US if you like to punch a time clock and work for the other man. DO WRITE US IF you would like to go into a business of your own, in Upton County and McCamey. Write Rawleigh's, Dept. TXL-1361-256, Memphis, Tenn.

C. Pete Bennett To Seek Re-Election As County Attorney

C. (Pete) Bennett, present Crane County Attorney, announced this week that he is a candidate for re-election to the position.

He is now serving his first term in the office.

Bennett is a World War II veteran, having served four years in the Army Air Corps. He is married and has a son, Calvin, 17 months old.

In making known his intentions to file, Bennett stated that he greatly appreciated the cooperation the public has given him during the past year, and that he plans to visit all persons possible in the county before the pri-

SPECIAL!

Wednesday and Thursday
 January 11-12

ON OUR SCREEN

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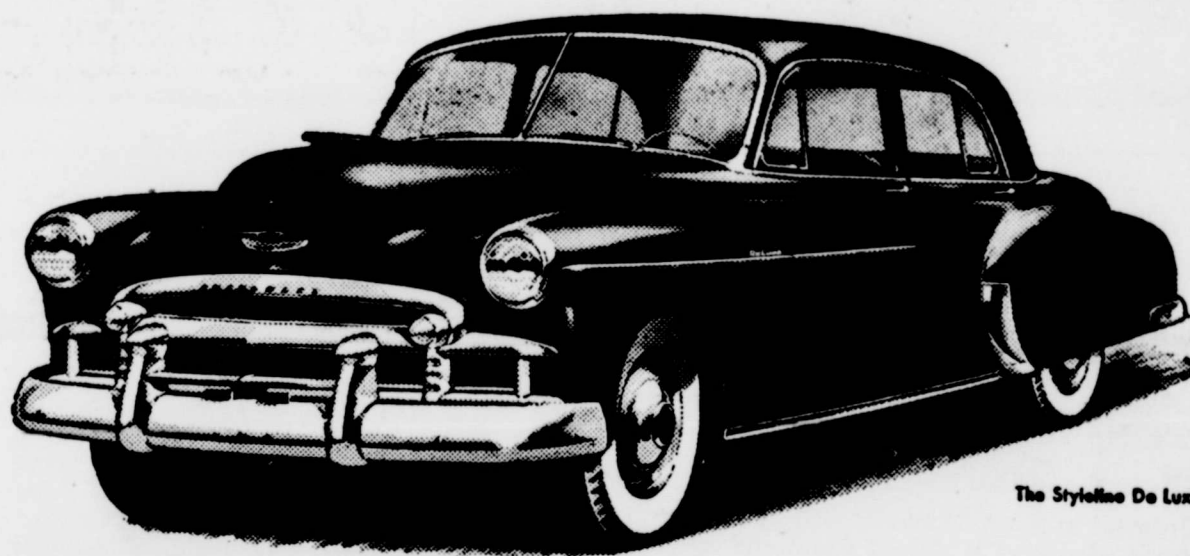
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WHAT IF?

Jean Shaw got mad when somebody messed with her horn.
 Bill P. and Marlene H. were striking off a nice friendship. (Better watch out, Red).
 Ted still loves Marlene M.
 Jean S. and Chock are going together again.
 Louie and Demeric make a cute couple.
 The sophs, juniors and freshmen would try to get some news for the paper.
 Joy made eyes at Boogie in the study hall and vice versa.
 Foots is flirting with Joy Ward.
 Marlene H. could ride a motorcycle.
 Wilma's husband (to be) lived on a motorcycle.
 Bill P. pretended to be a Cowboy.
 The boys in typing class bet on their watches.
 Billy Ross read magazines in last period study hall.
 Mary Beth had to stay in for two teachers at a time.
 Marjorie would grow a little bit.
 Toad McEwen could type.
 Mary Beth could swipe things off people's note books.
 Winnie could learn her algebra.
 Everyone that went around saying SSSSSSSSSSS! What about that, TED, TOAD, and the rest of you.
 Jimmie W. acted like a moron.
 Bruce McCain picked on little girls like Imogene.
 Toad had to stay in.
 The senior rings came in soon.
 The seniors had charge of the PTA meeting.
 Annual Staff went to work on the Annual so they could get it out before next year.
 Wallace Gary moved away.
 Virginia went with Fields.
 Jackie Stewart and Winnie wore yellow sweaters.
 Jockeys stand in their stirrups to distribute their weight evenly.
 Our alphabet was introduced into Europe by the Phoenicians.

Students Hit Parade

Darlin', a Penny for Your Thoughts—Goose to ??????
 For He's a Jolly Good Fellow—Football boys to Coach Fitz.
 Again—Myra to Loyd G.
 Forever and Ever—Don S and JoVeta.
 Night and Day—Jimmy W. and Virginia G.
 Fishing Song—Chock to Monahans.
 Blues, Stay Away From Me—Marjorie W.
 You Can't Be True, Dear—Roy to Lawanda.
 I Can't Stay Away From You—Harry to Wanda.
 Here Comes the Bride—Miss Nelson.
 Muletrain—Ruthie
 Muletrain—Winnie
 Somebody's Taking My Place—Ruthie to Bill Hurn.
 I Love You Because—Zack to Marva.
 The Lost John Boggie—Winnie to her hubby.
 Why Are You So Mean to Me—Punk to Jerry.
 Give a Little, Take a Little Love—Ted to ??????????
 You Sweet Little You—Ann S. to Jimmy Yocham.
 My Front Door Is Open—Norman to any pretty girl.
 Won't You Come Ride In My Little Red Wagon — Buggy to Joy.
 Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me—Pete to Marlene H.
 I'm Lonely, Darling—Mayetta to Sam Nickels.
 Give Me My Boots and Saddle—Bill Patton.
 Deep Freezer Ding — Mrs. Schmidt.
 It's A Sin — Harry to Mrs. Schmidt.
 Bicycle, Motorcycle Built for Two—Red W. to Wilma.
 I'm Square Dab From the Country—Billy Ross.
 Let Me Call You Sweetheart, I'm In Love With Your Little Ford—All the kids to Ted.
 Hattacol Boogie—Ted to his Ford on cold mornings.
 I'll Walk Alone—Barbara McSpadden.
 You Were Only Fooling, I Was Falling In Love—Carolyn to Dick Golden.

Question Of The Week

What do you think about the opposite sex?
 Jo Veta—Their big feet (especially Don Still's).
 Don—Their big noses (especially Jo Veta's).
 Virginia Godsey—Their shirts, especially wine (hiccup) and plaid.
 Marjorie White—Just their beeing boys.
 Elbert Echols—They are females, aren't they?
 Chock Romine—The way they make love.
 Ruthie—I don't.
 Billy B.—Gloria Little
 Glorio L.—Billy Brown
 Mrs. Hodge—My Husband
 Ted Yocham—They are all right as long as they are with me.
 Myra—Nothing
 Pudge—I don't know
 Winnie—Their cunning ways.
 Lawanda—Nothing I can think of.
 Wanda—I think they are swell (especially Harry).
 Harry Gene — They are swell (especially Wanda).
 Boogie—I think they are crazy.
 Joy—I think they are stupid, fickle, and just plain crazy.
 Weldon—Depends on who they are.
 Jean S.—Ah!!!!!!!
 Jackie—I ain't a talking
 Aaron L.—I'm not going to say
 Wilma—They are alright
 Mrs. Taylor—The fact that they are.
 Imogene—Huh!!!!!!!
 Marva—Pretty good
 Demeris—!!!!gads!!!!
 Shirley B.—Don't like 'em!
 Zack—Think they are awful.
 Don White—Wonderful (Esther anyway).
 Dee Aun—Their pretty figures
 Gentry—Their width and narrowness.
 Arky—Depends on the girl
 Foots—Not a thing (is he trying to kid us?)
 Punk—She just likes Jerry
 Nola Grace—She likes them (Don W. anyway).
 Ann—Their cars (Jimmy's anyway).
 Mary Beth—Their money
 Mary Alice—Their figures
 Loretta—Their money
 Jimmy Lee—Not much
 Barbara Mc—Their ways
 Mrs. Schmidt—The fact that they are the opposite sex.
 Billy Ross—Their figures
 Pete Mc—Their big feet

Senior Class News

The senior class lost a member Thursday, Dec. 22, and gained one at the same time. The member lost was Winnie Ellis, while the one gained was Mrs. John Kidd.
 Yes, you guessed it, there was a wedding. Winnie was married in simple home ceremony at the home of Mrs. J. O. Barfield.
 So we all want to congratulate Mrs. Kidd although she still seems like Winnie to us and tell her that we think she is a good Kidd.

Rankin 'B' Drops To Reagan Cagers 49-20

The Rankin B was dealt a severe blow when the Reagan B romped to a 49 to 20 victory over the Rankin boys. It was the worst beating the Rankin B has taken. They hope to be more successful in games to come.

Lineup for Rankin B:

Name	Points
Stewart	0
Romine	0
McSpadden	4
Hurn	0
Yocham, H.	12
Johnson	0
Yocham, J.	0
Longnecker, M.	1
Garner	0
Longnecker, A.	3
TOTAL	20

Lineup for Reagan B:

Johnson	2
Newbrough	6
Wade	7
Cutbirth	18
Seala	4
Kirby	10
Clemmer	2
TOTAL	49

Senior Party Held At Marjorie White Home

Marjorie White entertained the seniors with a bunco party held at her home Dec. 21.
 There were two tables of bunco and everyone spent part of their time at the second one. The two highest scorers were Don Still and Imogene Sanders. They received a box of candy each as a prize.
 After the scores had been figured, refreshments were served and the group broke up.
 Those enjoying the party were: Imogene Sanders, Ruthie Elliott, Marjorie White, Winnie Elles, Jo Veta Yocham, Don Still, Ted Yocham, Donald White, Dean White and the hostess, Mrs. White.

Orchids And Onions

Orchids to Winnie for getting married.
 Onions to six-weeks tests for coming soon.
 Orchids to Joe Ellis for getting a projection job.
 Orchids to Ruthie for being a good kid.
 Orchids to Miss Nelson and Wilma for becoming engaged.
 Who are the lucky guys?
 Orchids to the football boys for getting their jackets.
 Onions to the cold weather for interfering with the choral club.
 Orchids to Mrs. Hodge for liking chewing gum.
 Onions to Mrs. Schmidt for assigning so much English to the sophs.
 Onions to the basketball boys for losing their game.
 Onions to Joy for asking embarrassing questions.
 Orchids to Joy and Boogie for helping Chock out on the paper.
 Orchids to Mrs. Taylor for moving the shorthand class to the typing room.
 Orchids to Winnie for being such a blushing bride.
 Onions to Chock for making Foots fall down Tuesday at noon.

SENIORITY

This week the senior in the spotlight is none other than Marjorie (Shorty) White.
 Marjorie was born in Berger, Texas, on July 16, 1933 (which make her 16 years old, for the benefit of all math students.) She came to Rankin from Big Lake in June of 1949. She is four feet 11 1-2 inches tall, has red hair and blue eyes.
 She likes being manager of the girls basketball team, editor of the paper, secretary of the senior class, treasurer of the T. A. B. Club, eating, reading and playing volleyball. She likes shorthand also.
 She dislikes backseat drivers, Choral Club and traveling.
 Her favorite colors are red and blue.
 Since Marjorie has moved here she has been very well liked and was elected twirler for the Pep Squad at the first of the year.
 She wishes to say, "I enjoy living in Rankin very much."

RED DEVILS LOSE TO REAGAN 36 TO 28

Rankin received another defeat at the hands of Reagan. This time not quite as bad as the "B." The game was hard fought all the way, but when the game ended, the score was 36-28.

Lineup for Rankin "A.":

Name	fg.	ft.	tp.
Still	4	4	12
McCain	1	0	2
Yocham, N.	1	0	0
Echols, S.	9	0	0
Gamblin	5	0	10
Yocham, H.	0	1	1
Broyles	0	1	1

Reagan "A.":

Phillips	6	0	12
Owens	3	1	7
Barber	1	0	2
Lyons	1	1	3
Slatton	5	3	12
Johnson	9	0	0
Wade	0	0	0

The Jolliest Junior

The Jolliest Junior for this week is Melvin McEwen. He was born Sept. 11 in Arkansas City, Kansas. He is five feet ten inches tall. He has brown hair and eyes. He moved to Rankin from Chanute, Kansas. His favorite food is pie and cake. His likes are Evelyn Eckols and money. His dislikes are schools, teachers and work.

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Explanatory Bulletin Available On New Law "White Collar" Workers

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 4.—Employers in New Mexico and West Texas today were advised that an explanatory bulletin will be available next week on the revised regulations governing exemption of so-called "white collar" employees under the Wage and Hour Law adopted in Washington today by Administrator Wm. R. McComb.

Jonathan R. Cartwright, field office supervisor of the U. S. Department of Labor's Albuquerque office of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, also called attention of employers to the fact that the revised regulations will take effect on January 25, the day on which the Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1949, applying to the Wage-Hour Law as a whole, take effect.

These revised regulations govern the wage-hour law exemptions for workers employed in "EXECUTIVE," "ADMINISTRATIVE," "PROFESSIONAL," "LOCAL RETAILING," or "OUTSIDE SALESMAN" capacities. Last substantially revised in 1940, the new regulations contain tests of duties, responsibilities, salary levels, and other basic requirements which employers must apply in determining which of their employees may be exempt from the Wage-Hour Law's minimum wage and overtime pay provisions.

For three classifications of "white collar" employees, the revised regulations contain new salary tests. The new salary test for "EXECUTIVE" employees will be \$5 a week (or \$238.33 a month), instead of the 1940 test of \$30 a week, while the new salary tests for "ADMINISTRATIVE" and "PROFESSIONAL" employees will be \$75 a week (or \$325 a month), to replace the tests of \$200 a month in effect since 1940.

The new regulations include among their basic requirements that (A) "EXECUTIVE" employees must perform managerial duties; (B) "ADMINISTRATIVE" employees must perform office or nonmanual field work of substantial importance in the management or operation of the

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Weekly Swing of SOUTHWEST FARM MARKETS

Trading at the chief southwest farm markets this last week of December fell into the traditional pit of holiday dullness, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration.

Here are the most important changes in prices compared to a week ago. Slaughter lambs went up a dollar at Fort Worth and were generally stronger at other terminals. Butcher hogs sold anywhere from 25 cents to a dollar higher. Grain sorghums advanced 10 cents per 100 pounds. Turkeys dropped 2 to 3 cents per pound. Lower grade beef steers lost 50 cents or more at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City. Some stocker and feeder cattle turned stronger to 25 cents or more higher.

The four-day week of trading plus the holiday seasonal decline in livestock numbers to the lowest level in months. All classes business; (C) "PROFESSIONAL" employees must perform work requiring advanced knowledge in a field of science or learning, or perform creative work in an artistic field; (D) "LOCAL RETAILING" employees must make local retail sales of goods or services, or perform work immediately incidental to such sales; (E) "OUTSIDE SALESMEN" must be engaged to sell, away from their employer's place of business.

Mr. Cartwright cautioned employers not to decide an employee's exemption on the salary test alone, or on job titles. The explanatory bulletin is intended to aid employers in avoiding errors in classifying employees as exempt.

The bulletin also advises on the use of the new provisions of the revised regulations for determining the exemption status of employees who are paid at least \$100 a week on a salary basis. Under these provisions, shortened tests established for determining whether such employees meet all the specific requirements of the "EXECUTIVE," "ADMINISTRATIVE," or "PROFESSIONAL" definitions.

except hogs, fell below arrivals for the same week last year. Lambs held generally steady at San Antonio and Oklahoma City as they worked higher at other southwest and most midwest terminals. Slaughter ewes held steady.

Texas and Oklahoma hog markets were higher in contrast to lower prices at some midwest yards. Butchers sold steady to 25 cents higher at Oklahoma City, 25 to mostly 50 cents higher at San Antonio and a dollar higher at Fort Worth. Most butchers ranged from \$16 to \$16.50.

While lower grade beef steers declined at Fort Worth and Oklahoma City, most slaughter cattle sold generally steady to stronger at other yards. Fed kinds went up 25 to 75 cents at Denver. Some stocker calves at San Antonio and feeders at Oklahoma City were weak to 50 cents lower.

In the dressed meat trade, lamb sold higher, beef held steady and pork weakened or slipped lower. With egg and poultry supplies sufficient for light demand, markets held steady. Current receipts eggs ranged from 30 to 32 cents in North Texas. Little Rock paid 31 to 32 and Denver 27 to 28 cents. Few turkeys were offered after prices slipped.

Feed, hay, peanuts and rice markets were generally little changed from a week ago. Wool and mohair business was quiet. Contracting of the spring mohair clip began at 55 cents per pound for adult and 75 cents for kid. South Texas vegetables found slow demand and dull markets. Broccoli strengthened. Cabbage, spinach, beet, carrots and lettuce prices weakened. Louisianaisweet potatoes held steady.

Sorghum grains reached \$2.45 to \$2.50 in bulk car lots at Texas common points. Wheat and yellow corn gained 1-2 cents and oats a half-cent. Other grains held unchanged. No. 1 hard wheat ranged from \$2.39 to \$2.44 a bushel Friday, and No. 2 yellow corn from \$1.51 to \$1.52 1/2.

NOTICE HUNTERS AND HEADLIGHTERS

Anyone found hunting or headlighting on the O. W. Parker Ranch will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
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You Still Must Pay a Poll Tax To Vote
 With the defeat of the Proposed Constitutional Amendment in November relative to the Poll Tax Requirement, the people of the State of Texas still must pay a poll tax to vote.
 Payments may be made at the Sheriff's, Tax Assessor's and Collector's Office at the Courthouse in Rankin.
 Last day for payment is January 31.
 A temporary office will be set up in McCamey on January 23 through January 31 for the sale of poll taxes.
 Those who can should pay early and avoid a last minute rush.
H. E. "Gene" Eckols
 SHERIFF, TAX-ASSESSOR AND COLLECTOR