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Rankin has needed a library for a long time and now that it is getting one, I hope everyone will use it and enjoy it. So let's help get the library started.

LIFE AND DEATH

A law has been passed in Congress which would "sovietize" this country, and every business and every individual within it. It is known as the Spence Act—H. R. 2756. It would give the government, through the President, the power to take over the economic system of the nation if, in his sole opinion, materials or facilities were in short supply, if prices were too high, or if some other situation affected the national security, the foreign policy, or our economic growth.

Here, in part, is what the President could do if the bill became law, as described by John T. Flynn in his book, "The Road Ahead."

1. He could decide how much steel, lumber, or anything else could be produced. Industry would be compelled to meet whatever production budget he laid down.

2. He could, if he decided they were necessary, build government plants and factories to produce commodities of any kind.

3. He could establish priorities for materials, on either voluntary or compulsory basis. Mr. Flynn observes, "Here is the power of life and death over every industrial enterprise in the land."

4. He could regulate all exports and imports.

5. He could establish maximum prices on any materials and facilities.

6. Finally, he could lay down any rules he deemed necessary to make the Act operative.

These rules would have all the power of law. And, to cap the climax, he could "make such inspection of the books, records and other writings, premises or property of any person and make such investigations and conduct such hearings as may be necessary to appropriate to the enforcement or administration of this act." Of this provision, Mr. Flynn says: "Here is the power of seizure and search upon a hitherto unimaginable scale."

It seems unbelievable that a "dictatorship bill" could ever become the law of this land. It is frightening to think that such a bill should even be seriously proposed in a free country. It would give the President the same powers that Hitler and Mussolini had, and that Stalin has. And whether one agrees or disagrees with the view of any individual President is entirely irrelevant. The principle is what counts.

Many years ago a great American said: "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." This is truer today than ever. And this incredible measure—which all alone, could turn the United States into a total government—provides terrifying proof of it.

DO IT NOW!

"Wartime excise taxes, still in effect four and a half years after the war ended, are depressing certain lines of business," says the Houston Press.

"The original chief purpose of these taxes was to discourage travel and business-as-usual, thus releasing transportation facilities, manpower and materials for war work. They continue to serve that purpose when all lines of business needs every possible encouragement to produce and sell, thus providing more jobs and more government revenue from individual and corporate income taxes."

The Executive Secretary of the Illinois Federation of Retail Associations said, "If these taxes are not eliminated at once, they are here to stay. They were imposed as a wartime measure, at which time promises were repeatedly made that they would be removed after the war. Anything less than outright repeal of them amounts to betrayal." He also said that many retail merchants were reducing hand-bag lines, discontinuing furs, and cutting jewelry inventories to a bare minimum, because of the adverse influence of the taxes on sales. The depressing effect of this is felt by manufacturers, distributors, labor and everyone else involved.

Time is a very important factor in this problem. Retailers find themselves faced with increasing buyer resistance to the affected items, because people are putting off the purchases in the hope that Congress will repeal the taxes. In the interest of our economic welfare, Congress should act without further delay.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

"Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight"

Our ten o'clock curfew lasted for 50 years, but the town council voted it out. I dropped in at the meeting in Town Hall last week just in time to hear Smiley Roberts.

"The curfew is old-fashioned," says Smiley. "We ought to be grown-up enough by now to behave like grownups. Seeing to it that our kids get to bed is the responsibility of each family." Then Judge Cunningham adds, "Most of us are in bed when the curfew horn blows anyway. It wakes me up just when I'm getting to sleep!"

What the Judge said was good

for a laugh, but Smiley just about summed up how folks think in this town. We believe that the democratic tradition of "live and let live" is the only way to live.

From where I sit, it's not the American way to regulate your life by a horn—any more than it's right to criticize my caring for a temperate glass of beer now and then. Think what you wish, say what you wish, but don't ask your neighbor to do exactly as you do!

Joe Marsh

MIDLAND MARKET REPORT

MIDLAND, March 24. — The market on 350 head of cattle auctioned Thursday at Midland's livestock arena was steady and active. Although stockers brought less than they had the week before, butcher cattle were higher. Fat calves and yearlings sold for \$22.50 to \$26.50. Medium and common calves and yearlings brought \$19 to \$22.50. Fat cows moved at \$17 to \$18.50 and medium cows went at \$16 to \$17.

Canners and cutters brought \$12.50 to \$16. Bulls that were offered graded less than choice and sold for \$18 to \$19. Stocker steer calves were bid from \$25 to \$27.50, the higher price going for light weight good kind. Heifer calves sold for \$24 to \$25.50. One package of 34 that included six steer calves with 28 heifers and weighed about 400 lbs. each brought \$26.50 per hundred.

Another group of 38 plain and thin light weight steers—about 425 lbs. each—sold for \$22 cwt. while a bunch of 11 head that included some bulls and averaged 440 lbs. went at \$23 a hundred. Herd Midkiff of Midland sold an even dozen fed steers that averaged 914 lbs. for \$24.30.

Principal consignors were Midkiff, Earl Vest, Monahans; G. P. and Charlie Mitchell, Kermit; Burkholder Bros., Barstow; John Yates, Monahans; Dean and Dingler, Pecos; R. H. McCrummen, Seminole.

Buying in quantity were C. A. Sullivan, Guymon, Okla.; M. D. Rhodes, Lamesa; Odessa Packing Co.; CJM Packing Co., and buyers for major packers. Jake Shipp of Rankin and H. P. Lowe of Crane also consigned cattle.

The word salary comes from "salarium," meaning salt money, since Roman soldiers received a part of their pay in salt.

Khaki is a Hindustan word meaning "dust colored."

John Wanamaker originated the saying, "The customer is always right."

"Fan," meaning an enthusiast, comes from the word "fanatic."

Shaving was originally a protective measure since long beards were easy for opponents in combat to seize.

"Yankee" comes from the Dutch word "yanku," meaning to snarl. Oulja Boards get their name from a combination of French and German words for yes.

Buttons were first put on men's coat sleeves by Frederick the Great, to keep his soldiers from wiping their noses on their sleeves.

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THE \$\$\$ COST OF SECURITY

Security is a legitimate and admirable goal of the American people. The question is: How may we safely obtain it to the degree desired by everybody? We have progressed far beyond the age when most people lived on farms and had no direct dependency on business and industry, salaries or wages—an age in which the soil directly supported about 80 per cent of the population.

In these early days you could swap a dozen eggs for two tallow candles, a calf for a pair of bench made shoes, and could pay the doctor with a peck of potatoes and a bushel of corn.

Now, 80 per cent of our people live in towns and cities. Most of them are directly dependent for their livelihood and security on salaries and wages from employers. The spectre of sickness, accident, unemployment and old age, while not pronounced, is constant. The thrifty and industrious have reacted to this subconscious anxiety by strict management of their incomes. But thrift, alas, seems to be a waning virtue. And that fact, as well as the need for security, is a part of the big problem.

CURE FOR ALL ILLS

Political medicine men, parroting the Socialists' line, have come forward with glittering promises of security for everybody at hardly any cost to anybody. It is reminiscent of the long ago itinerant pitchman who hawked his tonic as a cure for any and all ills—and it usually contained 80 per cent alcohol. The tonic gave temporary exhilaration but there was always a hangover. Millions have fallen for the hawking of the political medicine men. The economics of their rosy security programs are unound. The hangover would be very disastrous.

We are all anxious, of course, to see the living standard and general welfare improved. It is the federal government's duty, under the Constitution, to PROMOTE the general welfare. But many of the economic theories ad-

vocated by the security planners in Washington would wreck the general welfare—and not promote it.

SSSSSSSS

We should be sure that we ourselves, and then our elected representatives and public officials, recognize this fact. And we must all get a clear understanding of what the social security now being offered actually costs. As I write this column, I have before me some reliable statistics on the cost of just one phase of social security—pensions. These figures would stagger even a federal government accountant.

To properly finance the present "yard stick" \$100-a-month pension for the 60,000,000 wage and salary earners in America (and when one gets it, all ultimately will demand it), requires the setting up of a reserve fund of \$725,000,000,000 (\$725 BILLION). That is three times the annual national income, about three times the present national debt, and 17 times the present terrifically high federal budget. That much money in reserve funds couldn't possibly be taken from our national economy; it is too much to be invested by government, or private finance, or both. In fact, all the present marketable securities of the government plus the total reserves of all the life insurance companies in the country would make only about one-third of the necessary reserve fund.

CAUTION NEEDED

And the 60,000,000 wage and salary earners do not, of course, include the self-employed and the tens of thousands of others in the professions. If any all-embracing plan were adopted, it would have to cover all eligibles, boosting the ultimately required reserve fund to nearly \$1,000,000,000,000 (trillion). And to be actually sound (or safe) the reserve fund to take care of pensions for all employed people would be the same amount whether it be administered by the federal government, or government-industry, or left entirely in the realm of private enterprise.

The report recently came from Washington that an influential labor union was advocating not only a higher pension for all (\$150 monthly), but that the pension age be reduced from 65 to 40! It is high time that our political and group leaders in America

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come down to earth and face the cold facts on social security costs. Some of our political leaders are peddling a security "tonic," hopeful that we won't reap the hangover during their political life. But if we take their "tonic" we will.

Big spending spurges in new enterprises seem to be slowing down and official reports indicate that American industries that total to 40 billion dollars, the watching their step, saving for a rainy day.

Summed up, the good old USA is "looking forward" contemplating prosperity for corporations and small businesses.

All the signs indicate that business has plenty of cash, and will watch its step.

BORROWING ON CROPS

Texas grabbed onto 277 million dollars in crop loans in 1949.

Iowa got 229 millions on Iowa corn.

Nebraska topped all in proportion to population. Its farmers got 139 million dollars which was equal to \$107 for each person in the state.

Illinois, Oklahoma, Maryland and Virginia all were in the million dollar class in borrowing money from Uncle Sam.

THE SPREE GOES ON

The U. S. continues the spending spree. Outrageously high taxes and "reforms" in our own Nation are approved by the House Appropriations Committee. The tune for March is \$23,423,823,918.

Of course Russia is our enemy and ready to defeat them if they force us into another war.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Trygve Lie, secretary-general of the UN, warns the world that:

"What we need, what the world needs, is a 20 year program to win peace through the United Nations."

The secretary-general added in his statement that he expresses the hope that the U. S. and the Soviet Union will not go to war, but will finally uphold the Nation which was founded upon the belief and hope of world peace.

It will take a long series of steps to reduce the tension of the conflict in bringing the great pow-

ers together." Let us hope that his dreams come true.

PAY TREND IS UPWARD

Trend in wages in this country still is upward. Pensions get headlines, but many employers are granting pay increases from 5 to 7 cents an hour.

A survey of recently signed labor contracts shows only a third have made no provision for wage increases. Pensions and insurance benefits have been granted in about a third of the settlements, sometimes along with raises.

HAVE A COOK BOOK

Uncle Sam will contribute three thousand cook books to every member of Congress. Therefore, every statesman should give every family in the Grass Roots a cook book. The Washington papers play up the story this week and they stress the fact that every "Congressman should play Santa with his 3,000 cook books."

Connect with Santa Claus as your Congressman. Tell him you really must have your cook book. He'll come across with pleasure. A unique feature of the book is that it doesn't mention two famous commodities, butter or margarine. When recipes require such items, it calls them "cooking fat." The Congressional book has a chapter on diet with the caloric record of each food.

Thirteen pieces in a "baker's dozen" originated when King Louis of France warned all bakers who gave under measure that they would be beheaded.

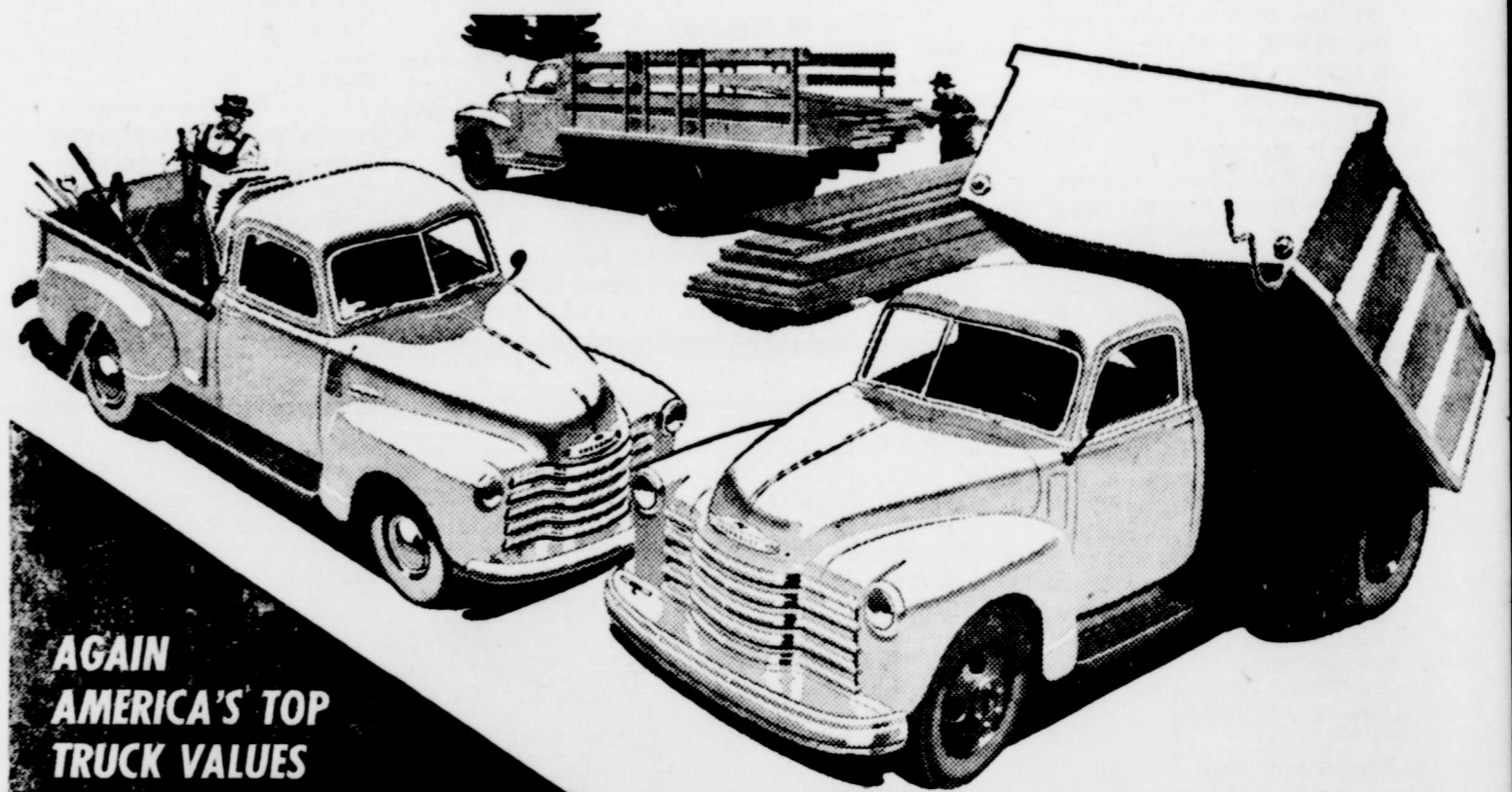
Both the words Caesar and Kaiser come from the Latin word Caesar.

The word "spud" for potato comes from an old organization called "Society for the Prevention of Unwholesome Diet."

County roads are almost always 60 feet wide because that was the length of the original surveyor's chain.

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 THE CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS
 By J. P. Rankin, Mayor

FORWARD MARCH

PRESIDENTIAL MUDDLES
 President Truman has specialized on "nullifying" the Taft-Hartley Act. Congress has kept the law intact by refusing to obey Truman.

The President created an "independent" division of the National Labor Relations Board. This hand-picked group takes and obeys orders from the White House.

Senator Taft riddles Truman's scheme as not being in accord with the Hoover Commission reports. And he rang the bell, showing that the President "attempts to reverse by executive action basic matters of policy determined by Congress three years ago—when the Taft-Hartley Act was passed by Congress."

The President's political baby is assailed as "an unsound mixture of the prosecuting and judicial functions of the NLRB," responsible for the miscarriage of justice in our country.

Taft accuses President Truman of having demonstrated the "greatest reluctance" in enforcing the Taft-Hartley Act in the recent coal strikes. In fact, the President of the United States practically won John L. Lewis' strikes.

PASS THE MEAT
 Meat production under Federal inspection for the week ended March 18 totaled 295 million pounds. Slaughter of cattle and sheep held at about last week's level while calf and hog slaughter was up slightly. Production was up two per cent from the 290 million pounds for the preceding week and was four per cent above the 284 million pounds last year.

THE BUDGET AND FOREIGN AID

The Senate Appropriation Committee demands that foreign aid shall bear a share of the budget which Congress insists on.

Domestic spending is likely to run as high as \$1,213,000,000. Foreign Aid will be handled separately. "That's the way the mo-

THE GRASS ROOTS SYSTEM IS DEAD

Federal Aid to Schools was another Truman dream. The good old home rule system for the public schools will continue. But the local city papers insist that the fight for Federal Aid to schools will go on.

FARM SURPLUSES

Since the early days of the war American agriculture has demonstrated its ability to produce more food of every kind than the American people can eat. The Dept. of Agriculture at Washington estimates that over-all farm production this year will be only a shade below that of 1949, which was 139 per cent of the pre-war average and an all time record.

When farmers are left alone, they mind their own business and produce plenty of crops and sell their goods to the public—and carry on handsomely. Farmers grow crops on the land—not on city streets.

Downing, Stokes To Assist Evaluation Of Ft. Stockton Schools

Miss Mildred Stokes, teacher of English in Iraan High School, and C. B. Downing, Supt., have been invited to serve on the evaluating committee for the Fort Stockton Schools. The evaluation will be made April 3, 4 and 5. The committee will hold its first session at 8:30 Monday morning in the Fort Stockton High School Library.

Seven committees will evaluate different phases of the school program. Miss Stokes will be a member of the curriculum committee and will evaluate the English program.

Mr. Downing will be a member of the committee to evaluate school administration.

The year following 1 B. C. was 1 A. D.

Hamburger is so called because it originated in Hamburg, Germany.

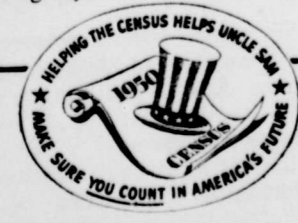
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NEWS FLASH

Marlene and Red seem to be having trouble. Wanda Burleson really did pass her driver's test. Volleyball season finishes Thursday with a district tournament at Iraan. The juniors and seniors are working hard on their plays. The new buildings were coming along fine. Mr. Still is in Dallas. Quite a few from Rankin showed up at the McCamey volleyball game Tuesday night. The band is working hard so as to make a good showing at contest Saturday. Some of the girls took a swim last Saturday. Boogie seems to be getting around pretty fast on his crutches. Ted has a crew cut. Mooran cars seem popular with the girls at Rankin. Vada Mae hasn't been back to Rankin for some time. We'd like to see her bright face in Rankin again. The Longnecker boys have moved to Grandfalls. The McCamey students presented a one-act play here Tuesday that they are going to present at the Interscholastic Meet in April. Seems that the girls are out hunting their Easter bonnets. Seems as though Don can't keep up with his English note book. Pretty disgusting, eh, Mrs. Schmidt?

FADS AND FASHIONS

Some fads and fashions are: Moccasins Name Belts Ten Cent Store Engagement Rings Combs in back of girls hair Pierced ears and all varieties of ear rings Straight bangs Plastic weaving Cigar smoking Basketball jackets Crew haircuts

Mr. Shiller: One thing about it, volleyball season may stop but Virginia won't stop playing. Geometry Students: Why, Mr. Shiller? Mr. Shiller: She hasn't started yet.

RHS Mrs. Hodge: Don, you're going to have to move up to this table while you are in study hall. Don S: I'll have to kiss you, teacher, if you move me.

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Volleyball Team Splits With McCamey Tues.

The Rankin volleyball girls played McCamey Tuesday night. The junior girls won their game and we were very proud of them. The A and B teams were defeated by McCamey.

Thursday the Rankin girls will attend the district tournament at Iraan. They plan to stay all day. We wish them lots of luck.

Students Move

We were sorry to lose Aaron Wayne and Marvin Longnecker last week. They moved to Grandfalls. We wish them luck.

NICK-NAMES

Jean—Jeaner
—Virginia—Ginger
Jo Veta—Jo
Joy—Josephine
Don—Gut
Imogene—Sandy
Paul—Foots
Bill—Sweet William
Ruthie—Tomtom
Winnie—Pennie Weare
Mona Sue—Susie
Marjorie—Shorty
Mary—Little Red
Marlene—Maud
Marvin—Pete
Melvin—Toad
Geo. Broyles—Arky
Lloyd Gene—Pudge
Elbert—Goose
Chas. B.—Fiddle
Jimmie Lee—Pee Wee
Ann—Burger
Gaynelle — Punk, Squealy, Skeeter.
Walter—Boogie
Billy Dean—Zack
Charley Dean—Chock
Jimmy W.—Knot on the head
Wanda—Wanda B.
Norman—Latchy
Bruce—Buddy
Mary Alice—Red
Billy Brown—Beely
Louis—Louy

Rankin Band To Enter Music Festival To Be Held At Midland Apl. 1

The Rankin Band will attend the Music Festival at Midland on Saturday, April 1. Rankin will be the first band to play. They will play at 7:30. Weldon Kennedy will play a baritone solo and Marjorie White a flute solo. They will stay to hear other bands during the day. That night there will be a marching contest; Rankin will not enter it this year. Rankin hopes very much to make a good showing and we wish Miss Nelson and her band lots of luck.

RHS mm
Barbara Mc: Mona Sue, that sure is a pretty shirt you have on.
Mona Sue: Thanks, it's Fields'

SAYINGS IN RHS

Jimmy W.—Red on the head
Ted—Huuuuuh!
Jo Veta—Why Shore
Ruthie—I know it
Imogene—Oh heck
Norman—Baby Lachy
Earl—Square Head
Don—Bes I Gettered
Jean—Helppppppppppppppp
Marjorie—I can't see
Ginger—Yessiss!
Lawana—Silly!
Mona Sue—High Beautiful
Punk—Well, Golliecee!
Winnie—Huh!
Chock—Sugar

New Social Security Increase Does Not Affect \$3,000 Minimum

The fact that the social security tax advanced from 1 per cent to 1 1/2 per cent each from the employer and the employee, effective Jan. 1, 1950, has caused some employees to inquire if the law has been changed to tax more than the first \$3,000 in wages paid to an employee in a year, according to the San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration.

"The law that only the first \$3,000 in wages paid by an employer to each employee is still in effect," Clark said, "and only an Act of Congress will change the law pertaining to the maximum wages to be taxed."

Clark pointed out that all inquiries regarding social security tax matters should be referred to the Collector of Internal Revenue, and all questions about old-age and survivors insurance benefits should be directed to the social security office located at 307 Federal Bldg., San Angelo, Texas.

The colors in the American flag stand for courage (red), liberty, (white), and loyalty (blue).

Valhalla, in Norse mythology, was the heaven of heroes.

SPORTS AFIELD

By Ted Kesting

The chief difference between the angler who catches fish and the one who doesn't is that the former covers every bit of possibly productive water, and the latter doesn't. The skilled stream fisherman, for instance, will start practically at his feet and work out from there, handling each cast and its drift to cover every square foot of water.

And next to persistence (which implies careful, thorough fishing and patience), experience is most important in catching fish. You can read as many articles as you wish and it won't do a bit of good unless you put the suggestions into personal experience. But you can draw upon the experience of others for some things, so here are some do's and don'ts contributed by Bill Wolf, who knows fish and fishing from coast to coast.

Don'ts:
Don't fail to clean your fish soon after they are caught and pack them in damp cloth, grass or ferns.

Don't expect to catch a fish with every cast.

Don't stand up to cast in narrow boats or canoes.

Shout or swear, but don't bump the bottom of the boat.

Don't have more than two people cast from a small boat at a time.

Time Of Day:
Fish may feed at any hour, but day in and day out, you'll get your best fishing in the two hours before sunset and at night. The big ones feed at night. If you like night fishing, try the shallows; surface lures work well then. Try large dry flies (really huge ones); use slow moving or noisy surface lures for bass. And at night, the darker the lure the better.

Plug Casting:
Get the best reel you can afford, a light line and a fairly long rod. Small fine wire leaders with snags at the end are ideal for quickly changing underwater plugs, spoons and other lures; do not use them with floating plugs. Whether fishing a surface plug or an underwater lure, vary your retrieve. Your tackle box should contain some underwater, semi-surface and surface lures, a couple spoons and some rigs for using pork rind or chunks.

Bait:
Bass-bugs:
A sturdy fly rod, a level line and a short leader work best here. The leader should be about four feet long and strong. The one absolute necessity is a well-greased line. The cork, balsa wood or deer hair lure should lift easily off the water.

The subject of flies is so big, we decided to devote all of our next column to it alone.

Iraan FFA Livestock Team To Go To Alpine Judging Contest

The Iraan FFA livestock judging team, composed of Jack Stanton, Gene Barrett, W. L. Ivy and Buddy Black, and their advisor, J. L. Atkins, will spend this weekend in Alpine where the judging team will participate in the Area livestock judging contest.

In the judging contest the teams will judge two classes each of hogs, sheep and cattle. In addition to these divisions there will be one in slaughter class steers. At the close of the judging of the animals, the teams will be asked questions on three of the six classes judged.

88-B Volleyball Tournament To Be Held Here March 30

The District 88B Volleyball Tournament will be held Thursday, March 30, at the Iraan High School gym.

Teams entered in the district tourney are Imperial, Grandfalls, Rankin and Iraan. Both junior and senior divisions will be held. Trophies will be presented to both divisions in consolation and championship brackets. Gold volleyballs will be awarded to the all-district team.

Alaska is more than twice the size of Texas.



Judge Garland Casebier Announces This Week For 12th Dist. Judge

Garland Casebier, newly appointed District Judge of the 12th Judicial District, this week announced that he would be a candidate for a first elective term in the coming Democratic primaries.

Judge Casebier, 39-year-old Ft. Stockton lawyer, was appointed last week to the bench to fill a vacancy created by the death of the late Judge J. B. Randolph.

A resident of Pecos County from the age of 18 months, except for time spent in school and in the practice of law for two years in Wood County, he resigned the job of city attorney of Fort Stockton last week when the appointment as District Judge was announced. He had held the city office for the last five years, and was assistant county attorney of Pecos County prior to that time.

He attended the public schools of Fort Stockton, received a B. S. degree from Sul Ross College at Alpine, and taught school for two years before entering the University of Texas Law School. He was licensed to practice in 1940.

The new judge is married and the father of two sons.

He is busy with the court in the counties of the 12th District, and will make a formal statement to the voters prior to the primary election.

CARD OF THANKS
We cannot find words to express our gratitude and appreciation for the many kindnesses extended to us in our hour of sorrow at the death of our brother and uncle. We shall never forget the many courtesies shown.

The Taylor Brothers and Sisters and Families.

Occipitofrontalis is technical name for the scalp muscle.

High School Coaches Favor Reclassification

A majority of Texas high school coaches agreed Wednesday, Mar. 21, that the Texas Interscholastic League's divisions should be reclassified.

The poll, conducted by Executive Secretary L. W. McConachie of the Texas high school coaches association, was answered by 960 mentors. Results were published in the March issue of the TIL's "Interscholastic Leaguer."

In addition, the coaches favored a 10-semester rule and a 19-year age limit.

On reclassification, 714 coaches voted favorably with 234 dissenting. Instead of okaying a suggested plan to form a class AAA division of schools with 1,000 or more attendance, the coaches, by write-in votes, supported that classification for schools with more than 800 enrollment.

They wanted to classify as Class AA schools, those with enrollment from 400 to 800, Class A from 200 to 400, and Class B under 200.

The poll sought out the coaches' opinions on putting schools

with 500 to 1000 in Class AA, those with 200-500 in Class A, and those with less than 200 in Class B.

The coaches voted 714 to 234 in favor of the 19 year age limit and 10 semester rules change. League members will vote this spring on those issues.

The vote was about even on the poll of Class A coaches as to whether their schools should have spring football training.

A poll between coaches Bill Haralson and Brady Thomas revealed them in favor of the 19 year age limit, 10 semester rule reclassification, and spring football training.

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We wish to express our love and appreciation to each of you who were so thoughtful through all our sorrow. May God bless each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude L. Romine
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Bob Wills, famous western music band leader, loves to talk with his fans at the Trianon Building auditorium in Oklahoma City about the blessings of HADACOL. In the picture above Miss Betty Lou Lobb, 720 College St., Bethany Okla., a very promising young singer, tells Bob how HADACOL has helped her. Hundreds of folks who are in HADACOL visit Wills each week for his network broadcast, which is originated from KBYE, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma's western music station, and sent over a leased wire to stations, KRMG, Tulsa; KWHN, Fort Smith; KGLC, Miami, Oklahoma; KLYN, Amarillo, and KWFT, Wichita Falls.

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