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Aldridge.

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side Camp, Wockhoft.



Large Crowd Expected For 13th Annual Sunrise Easter Services Sunday

The 13th Annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held on Easter Sunday morning at the Memorial Cross on Kings Mountain, six miles northeast of McCamey off the Rankin Highway.

The service will begin at 6:30. Church bells will ring at 5:30 and the buses will leave from the Baptist Church and Bender Hotel at 6:00 o'clock. A bus will be at the Dunbar School to pick up the colored people who wish to attend. Boy Scouts will be on duty at the gates and the girl scouts will pass out song books. Surrounding towns are invited to participate in this service.

The program is as follows: Invocation—Rev. C. J. Mann; Song "Nearth The Cross"—Group; Scripture—Rev. W. I. Lee; "Christ Arose" Crane Choral Group; Sermonette—Rev. A. R. Vaughn; "We've A Story To Tell the Nation"—G. A. Girls; Claudyne Brown—Accompanist; Hymns—Colored Choir; Horn Solo "Near The Cross"—John Fuller; "Legend of the Dogwood"—Rusty Kedziora; "Old Rugged Cross"—Louis Barnett; "Pageant" McCamey Young People; "Glory Be To The Father"—John Fuller; Benediction—Mr. Hamilton, minister, First Christian Church.

IOOF Rebekahs Raise \$200 To Aid Scout Trip

Rankin PTA Meeting Is Held Last Tuesday

The April meeting of the PTA was held Tuesday, the 4th, at the High School building.

Mrs. D. S. Anderson was leader of the program on "Teamwork In The Business World." The school band, directed by Miss Nelson, played several numbers and the pupils of the 6th, 7th and 8th grades presented a playlet on "Thrift" under the direction of Mrs. Leola Hurn.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Bill Moore, Mrs. Tommy Davis, Mrs. J. M. Layton, Mrs. C. J. Wyatt, Mrs. J. T. James and Mrs. Murray McCain.

Rankin Ladies Attend District PTA Meeting

Members of Rankin's PTA who attended the District Conference in Ozona recently were Mmes. Walton Harral, Carl Keyes, Campbell White, D. O. McEwen, G. C. Fitzgerald, Tyson Midkiff and Ross Wheeler.

Mrs. Harral, former president of the local PTA, has just finished a year as president of the Pecos-Upton Bi-County Council of PTA and at the Ozona Conference was elected a vice president of District 6.

In the City of Rankin election held Saturday, J. P. Rankin was elected mayor of Clay Taylor, Commissioner.

Trans-Texas Announce First Flight Schedule In McCamey For April 22

C OF C-POSSE CAGE TILT CANCELLED

The donkey baseball game that had been scheduled for Saturday night between the McCamey Chamber of Commerce and the Upton County Sheriff's Posse in McCamey was cancelled Friday when word was received that a number of the animals had been injured in a car wreck. Details concerning the accident was not known.

Rankin O.E.S. Chapter Is Host To Visiting Towns Monday Night

Rankin Chapter OES was host to members of Iraan, McCamey, Crane and Big Lake Chapter members when "Friendship Night" was observed in the local chapter Monday night at the regular meeting.

The reception and chapter rooms were attractively decorated with spring flowers with more than 60 attending the meeting. Worthy Matron Maggie Taylor and Associate Patron W. A. Hudson presided.

Mrs. L. L. Hines and her daughter Bette were initiated into the local chapter with guest officers filling the stations as a gesture of friendship. For the initiation ceremony stations were filled by Mrs. Mayme Young, Iraan, Worthy Matron; Mr. J. B. Ashburn, Crane, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Irene Mills, Big Lake, Associate Matron; Mr. S. C. Rhinehart, Iraan, Associate Patron; Mrs. Ruth Gaddy, McCamey, Conductress; Mrs. Fay Reese, Big Lake, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Helen Carroll, Crane, Secretary; Mrs. Iva Boyette, McCamey, Treasurer; Mrs. Ethel Owens, Crane, Marshall; Mrs. Mary Bascom, Iraan, Chaplain; Mrs. Lula Mae Durham, Iraan, Ada; Mrs. S. C. Rhinehart, Iraan, Ruth; Mrs. Charlene Cowden, Crane, Esther; Mrs. Edith Haley, McCamey, Martha; Mrs. Viola Talley, Big Lake, Electa; Mrs. Pearl Stephens, Big Lake, Warden; and Mrs. Beryl Rae Stephenson, Big Lake, Sentinel.

At the close of the initiation, each Rankin chapter officer presented the guest filling his or her station with a gift.

A salad plate was served by a committee composed of Miss Myrna Holman, Mrs. C. J. Holcomb, Mrs. Dorothy Hurst and Mrs. Monnie Rae McSpadden.

Jerry Lee Blue Is Honored On Birthday

Jerry Lee Blue celebrated his 8th birthday on Saturday, April 1, with a party given at his home for him by his mother, Mrs. T. H. Blue.

The children played games on the lawn and were served cake, candy Easter eggs and punch. Attending the party were Jerry Lee's schoolmates, Dorothy Abernathy, Jackie Williams, Brenda Reed, Betty McCain, Tommy Langford, Carolyn Langford, Jackie McCain, Lupe and Estola Abalos, Billie Jean Parham, Budie Gene Little, Bunney Griggs, Betty Reed and Jerry Lee.

RANKIN VISITOR

Jeanette Koerting of Dumas, who is a Texas Tech student, is spending the Easter holidays with her sister, Mrs. D. K. Workman, and Mr. Workman and Cathy Ann.

"Bunny" Griggs, who makes her home here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Patterson, is spending the week in Odessa with her mother, Mrs. W. F. Griggs.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fitzgerald and daughters, Suzanne and Jamie, are visiting over the weekend in Borger.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shiller, both of the Rankin school faculty, have been ill during the past week.

Word was received from the office of P. S. Reid, executive vice president of Trans-Texas Airlines, that the definite opening date of scheduled air flights into McCamey had been set for Saturday, April 22.

In the same letter, information was given that radio maintenance personnel of the company would be in McCamey this week and begin the installation of radio and weather equipment.

The necessary equipment for the radio and weather station were brought to McCamey from Houston by truck this week.

J. R. Fanning Construction Co. was nearing the completion of the paving of the runways this week. The necessary lighting

and tower was installed during the past week.

A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held Wednesday afternoon and a central committee was appointed to handle the planning and arranging of the First Flight ceremonies. Members of the committee are I. L. Edwards, Jack Ott, Horace Slaughter, James Rutherford, Bill Moore and C. W. Brown.

The official "First Flight" will be at 12:25 p. m. on April 22.

Four flights daily will come to McCamey, two eastward flights and two to the west.

Details for the first flight will be worked out during the coming week at special meetings to be held by the central committee.

Joan Crawford, Bride-Elect Of Bobby Bell, Is Honored With Bridal Gift Tea In Seminole

Heart Attack Kills Former McCamey Man

L. A. Teplicek, 50, native of Ballinger and proprietor of Alpine Supermarket, collapsed at the breakfast table Monday morning and died before his 12-year-old daughter could get help in his Alpine home.

Mr. Teplicek's daughter, Carol, summoned Mrs. Teplicek from the store but her father died before his wife arrived.

He apparently suffered a heart attack. He spent several months in an El Paso hospital last fall for treatment of a severe heart condition.

Mr. Teplicek was born and reared in the Ballinger area. He later was employed at the Cash Food Market in McCamey. After leaving McCamey, he established the Red Barn Store near Iraan.

He went to Alpine about 10 years ago as manager of the Supermarket, owned at that time by Watson Anderson Grocery Co. Mr. Teplicek later purchased it.

Mr. and Mrs. Teplicek were prominent in civic affairs in Alpine.

Funeral was held Wednesday in Alpine.

Surviving other than the wife and daughter is a four-year-old son, David.

The Rev. Austin Dillon, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Alpine officiated at the rites. Burial was in the Elm Cemetery at Alpine under the direction of Livingston Funeral Home.

Among those attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Halameck, E. F. Matejowsky, George Ramer, Mrs. L. P. Hinde, Miss Crescenze Hinde and Hardy McClary, all of McCamey; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul V. Halameck of Tahoka.

L.W. McSpadden Dies; Rites Held On Monday

L. W. (Shadow) McSpadden, 31, died early Sunday in a Midland hospital of a heart ailment.

A reproduction engineer for the Muldrow Aerial Surveys, Inc., McSpadden had lived in Midland several years.

Many early McCamey people will remember McSpadden as a student in the McCamey schools and projectionist for the Grand Theatre.

Funeral services were held on Monday in the First Methodist Church, Midland, with Rev. H. H. Hollowell, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Resthaven Memorial Park. Pallbearers were T. L. Fuller, Clyde Conley, Lay Harrison, O. L. Kannady, Gordon Ederkin and Jack Carnett.

McSpadden is survived by his widow and one son, Billy Wayne McSpadden of Midland; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McSpadden, Odessa; a brother, B. J. McSpadden, and a sister, Peggy Sue McSpadden, both of Odessa.

Norma Jo Stephenson has returned to her home here from Abilene, where she has completed her course at Draughon's Business College.

Miss Joan Crawford, bride-elect of Bobby Bell of Rankin, was honored with a bridal gift-tea in the home of Mrs. B. B. Curry in Seminole on Saturday, March 25. Party hours were from three to six o'clock. Hostesses with Mrs. Curry were Mmes. Olive Hurst, C. E. Rollins, A. L. Duff, C. V. Singleton, J. E. Woodward, P. W. Dalmont, E. C. Nix, Tom Burnett, Hubert Pruitt, Sam Malone and Miss Jean Alger.

Green and orchid, the honoree's chosen colors for her wedding, were used in decoration throughout the home. Mrs. Leroy Hurst presided at the guest register which was covered in white satin with an orchid motif.

Mrs. Curry greeted the guests at the door and presented them to the receiving line in which was the bride-elect, her mother, Mrs. Brad Crawford, and Mr. Bell's mother and sister, Mrs. Roy L. Bell of Rankin and Mrs. James Mims of Midland.

Refreshments were served in the dining room from a table laid with lace over green. A crystal bowl held orchid hyacinths and was placed on a reflector on which was frosted "Joan and Bob, April 9, 1950." Small cakes were topped with orchids. Mrs. Singleton served.

Mrs. Rollins and Mrs. Duff presided in the gift room and Mrs. Charles Earl provided piano background music throughout the afternoon, her selections including Forever and Ever, Indian Love Call, Always, The Rosary, I Love You Truly, and Clair d' Lune.

Sam Charlton Receives Fractured Hip In Fall

Sam Charlton, 77, resident of McCamey for the past 23 years, was taken overland to the home of his sister, Mrs. A. E. White, 3125 S. W. 25th St., in Oklahoma City, Tuesday by T. A. Spalding ambulance.

He has been bedfast about six weeks after suffering a fractured hip in a fall in downtown McCamey.

He was employed by C. W. Brown Pipe and Supply Co. for ten years and was employed by R. R. Kennedy Trucking Co. at the time of the accident.

Don-Car Machine Shop Opens Here This Week

Announcement was made this week of the Don-Car Machine Co. in McCamey by manager and co-owner Don Donovan. The new business is located on the Fort Stockton highway just west of the intersection.

Mr. Donovan has been manager of the Dunigan Tool & Supply in McCamey since 1941 and is well known in McCamey and the surrounding area.

Much of the equipment of the new business has been installed, and is ready to handle light work. Mr. Donovan stated that a heavy hollow-spindle lathe will be installed by the end of the month to handle all types of heavy machine repairs.

Mr. Donovan invited his friends in McCamey and surrounding area to call on him for repairs needed on all type of oil field equipment.

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More Oil and Gas

Proved reserves of crude oil and natural gas scored another major increase in 1949, reaching new all-time peaks and enhancing the security and strength of the United States. That is the gist of a report issued jointly by the American Petroleum Institute and the American Gas Association. At the end of the year, those reserves were estimated at the huge figure of 28,300,000,000 barrels—an increase of 1,500,000,000 barrels over the preceding year.

Proved reserves are the underground supplies which the oil and gas industry can draw upon at any time. There is no guesswork involved. Their location and extent have been proved and measured by actual drilling.

The fact that these reserves have been increasing, despite our huge consumption of oil and gas, is a measure of the progressive spirit and the high sense of public responsibility of the oil and gas industries. Looking for new supplies is a costly undertaking—four out of five wildcat wells turn out, on the average, to be dry. But this is the only known way to locate oil and gas, and to be sure that it will be ready for production whenever it is needed. So the work goes on, day in and day out over the years.

Incidentally, it used to be freely forecast that our oil resources would be exhausted in practically no time. But the industry has thoroughly confounded the pessimists who anticipated that we'd be soon thirsting for oil. As consumption increased, the proved reserves increased along with it. And the result is that we have more known oil and gas deposits than ever before.

Taxes That Reduce Employment

In a recent issue Collier's published a dramatic double-page spread demanding repeal of wartime excise taxes on commodities and service. It showed how these burden the consumer. And the point was that these taxes "reduce employment—penalize consumption—discourage business."

You pay a wartime excise tax every time you buy a piece of luggage, a bottle of baby oil, some modest jewelry, and many other items which certainly cannot be called luxuries in a nation which prides itself on its high and rising living standards. You also pay them when you make a long distance telephone call, or send a telegram, or travel on a train or a bus or a plane—services which, in many instances, are absolute necessities. And these taxes, it must be remembered, come right on top of the Fabusand and one other taxes which business and individuals must pay, and which are part of the cost of everything the consumer buys.

The excise taxes were not passed primarily to raise revenue. They were designed to discourage avoidable civilian use of goods and services when we were at war, and everything possible had to be sacrificed to our military needs. When they were passed, it was practically universally said that they would be repealed as soon as the war ended. The war did end, years ago—but those taxes are still on the books.

Some experts actually think that repeal of the taxes would increase government revenues, by stimulating business in the affected enterprises. In any event, any loss could easily be made up, and more, by paring just a little of the waste in the government. Collier's hit the nail on the head when it said that the taxes "reduce employment—penalize consumption—discourage business."

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For U. S. Representative, 16th Congressional District:

PAUL MOSS

For District Judge, 112th District:

GARLAND CASEBIER

For County and District Clerk:

RALPH H. DAUGHERTY (Re-Election)

For County Judge:

G. H. "Bud" FISHER

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor, and Collector:

H. E. "Gene" ECKOLS (Re-Election)

For County Attorney:

JOHN A. MENEFFEE (Re-Election)

For County Treasurer:

MRS. ELIZABETH RAINS (Re-Election)

For Commissioner, Prec. 1:

SAM HOLMES (Re-Election)

For Commissioner, Prec. 2:

W. J. PRICE (Re-Election)

J. T. JAMES

D. O. McEWEN

J. C. CARROLL

MIDLAND MARKET REPORT

The market was steady to weaker and slow on 400 head of cattle auctioned Thursday at Midland's livestock sale. Stockers, beef cows, caners and cutters closed as much as \$1.00 a hundred lower than last week.

Fat calves and yearlings sold for \$22 to \$25.50 while mediums went at \$19 to \$22. Fat cubs brought \$16 to \$17.75. Heiferette kinds went higher. Medium cows sold for \$15 to \$16 and canners and cutters brought \$12 to \$15.

Bulls were plentiful although no choice kinds were offered. Medium bulls went at \$18 to \$19.75 and common and caner bulls brought \$15 to \$16.50.

Stocker steer calves were bid from \$24.50 to \$26.50 and one small package of light weights went to \$27. Stocker steer yearlings that weighed 550 to 650 pounds brought \$22 to \$23.50. Stocker heifer calves moved at \$23 to \$25.50.

Principal buyers were Odessa Packing Co., Crow Packing Co., Lamesa Meat Co., CJM Packing Co., Morris and Presley of Odessa, and C. A. Sullivan of Guyton, Oklahoma.

Among consignors were Tommy Workman, Rankin; Sidney Owens, Bakersfield; and F. O. Bolen, McCamey.

"Petroleum Peggy"

The old saying that "it's a man's world" isn't true as it used to be. In this fast-moving modern world of today, a good many activities and occupations formerly tagged "for men only" are now being filled by women.

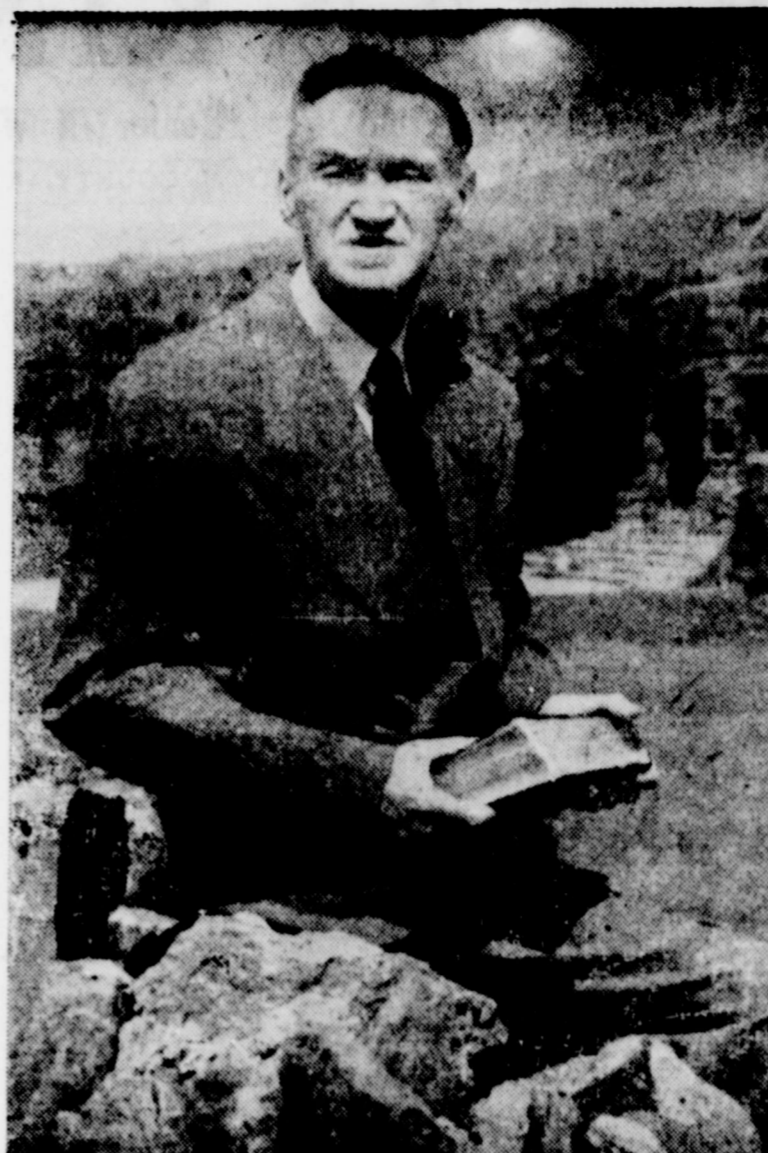
You think of oil, for example, as a man's business, for sure. Well, out in Oklahoma there's a woman geologist who has been helping a company find oil since 1918. She has the discovery of two entire oil fields to her credit.

One of the best administrators on the staff of a national oil company is a lady whose first office was a tent on the bank of the Red River in Texas in 1907. She rode horseback along a pipeline under construction, to keep tab on its progress.

One of the best known oil jobbers in South Dakota is a woman who has successfully expanded a business inherited from her husband 14 years ago. Many husband and wife teams are also active in petroleum selling and distribution throughout the nation.

The oil industry realizes that women are vital part of the team of 2,000,000 American citizens who help fill the nation's oil needs. The special talents and abilities of women are well applied by the industry's progressive personnel policies. They play a big part in oil research and laboratory work in drafting rooms and packaging plants. They are its secretarial and clerical backbone, too, of course.

During World War II, women stepped into every part of the industry. More than ten percent of the nation's refinery workers were women. They also drove fuel and gasoline trucks, and helped load tank cars. Yes, women are in the oil business in a big way!



Rev. Mark Wallock, founder of the Wichita Mountain Easter Pageant, held yearly at Lawton, Oklahoma. Until his death in December, 1948, Rev. Wallock directed and staged the yearly pageant.

LAWTON, OKLA.—Easter Sunday, April 9th, will see the presentation of the great Easter Pageant, The Prince of Peace, for the 26th consecutive year by the Wichita Mountain Easter Sunrise Service Association of this city. This non-profit and non-sectarian religious organization stages its annual pageant on the slopes



Millard Coody in his portrayal of Jesus Christ



Millard Coody, civilian Bank Teller of Lawton, Oklahoma

Christmas, 1948, 10 days after the final scene of the picture "Prince of Peace," depicting his pageant, was finished. The "Prince of Peace" was produced by Hallmark Productions, Inc., of Wilmington, Ohio. The local Pageant Association receives a definite sum from every engagement of the picture throughout the world. All funds the non-profit religious group receives are being soundly invested in bonds to provide adequate financing for perpetuating the "American Oberammergau."



Kroger Babb, Producer, President Hallmark Productions, Inc.

A total of 385,000 tourists have visited "Holy City" in the nearby Wichitas since the release of the motion picture "Prince of Peace" last April, accurate caretaker's records show. Last year's pageant attendance reached nearly a half million with an even larger crowd anticipated this year. Lawton, with a population of 30,000, is busily preparing to play host to the hundreds of thousands of people who will pilgrimage this April to witness the great Easter Sunrise Service.

Present this year to see the great pageant for the first time will be Kroger Babb, who made Rev. Wallock's dream come true

when he produced the film "Prince of Peace." The pageant association, according to Fred Larrance, its president, and Reece L. Russell, the secretary, will continue to present the pageant each year in memory of the beloved minister who moved to Oklahoma for his health when physicians advised him he had but one year to live. His death 24 years later was a great blow to the many friends he had made in his religious work.

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LOOKING AHEAD

by GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas

CHURCHMEN WANT ENFORCED BENEVOLENCE

A politico-economic credo that should be disturbing to all straight-thinking Americans has been adopted by a group of prominent Protestant churchmen assembled in Detroit under the sponsorship of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. The Associated Press reports the churchmen voted to recommend to the public "the extensive use of taxation to reduce inequalities in income." This advocacy is contrary to the fundamental principles of the American way of life and our historic American concept of taxation.

Taxation in America was conceived as a fair and sound method of financing government—and for no other purpose. But Socialists long ago found it to be their handiest instrument for achieving abolition of private property and subjugation of a people. The bold Socialists call taxation their "weapon." The book "Elements of Socialism" by Spargo and Arner (MacMillan) says (p. 352): "Taxation is of course a form of confiscation, but we have long been accustomed to it, and it makes it possible for the process of confiscation to be stretched over such a long period of time as to make it easy and almost unnoticeable."

When it is understood that delegates to the Detroit convocation came from 30 states and represented the leading 22 Protestant denominations and 10 allied religious bodies, the economic principle advocated becomes one of the most significant formal actions taken by an American ecclesiastical body since the founding of religious freedom on these shores more than 400 years ago. It moreover serves to emphasize how far astray intelligent, well-meaning people may be led.

KARL MARX WROTE IT

It would be ridiculous to assume that any substantial number of these leading American churchmen who attended the Detroit meeting are Marxist Socialists. No doubt some of the delegates are avowed Socialists and a few are fellow travelers in some of their thinking; but most of them undoubtedly are 100 percent loyal Americans dedicated to the fundamental principles of the American system and staunchly opposed to Marxist Socialism or any other brand.

However, their economic credo adopted at Detroit comes straight from Karl Marx. I have on my desk a copy of the "Communist Manifesto" by Marx and Engels. Point 2 of Marx's 10 basic measures for establishing Communism says: "A heavy progressive or graduated income tax." Marx and all of his succeeding camp-followers have written the Socialist economic credo thus: "The ideal to be aimed at is approximate equality of income." Some Marxist writers state it classically: "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need."

TAXES FOR GOVERNMENT EXPENSE

The taxing principle now advocated by this important group of church leaders in America could logically be expected to produce the following scene:

A PLAUSIBLE POSSIBILITY

The Treasury Agent knocks on John Brown's door. Brown opens. Agent: What was your income in 1949?

Brown: \$6,000.
Agent: Your tax will be \$2,000. Pay now please.

Brown (aghast): That's unreasonable. I worked hard for that \$2,000. You're asking too much.

Agent: Sorry. Your neighbor Jones next door only made \$4,000 last year. And the poor fellow had a costly accident with his automobile. We're giving him \$500 of your money. And then Smith, across the street, is a booze hound and worked only six months. His kids are poorly clothed. We're giving him \$1,000 of your money. The other \$500 goes for government and into the Tax Collection Police Force Benevolent Fund.

Brown: But that is not taxation; it's robbery; You're seizing my property, my money, and using it not to finance government but to satisfy somebody's idea of social service. I refuse to give you the money for Smith and Jones. Jones is a spendthrift and a reck-

Vet Land Program Slowed As Principal Exhausted By Loans

AUSTIN—Although the entire \$25,000,000 principal of the Veterans' Land Program was committed by March 18, Land Commissioner Bascom Giles stated today that additional applications are still being accepted "under certain conditions."

"Where both seller and veteran understand that we cannot guarantee there will be money available to complete the purchase," said Giles, "we are putting the application on file."

The \$25,000,000 fund is a revolving one and thus additional purchases can be made from time to time as veterans make their semi-annual payments, Giles pointed out. Some veterans are also retiring their indebtedness at a faster rate than their contract demands. One tract in Dickens County has already been paid for in full.

"Also," Giles explained, "every withdrawal enables us to process one of the applications accepted on this conditional basis. We will act upon these new applications, if and when money is available, in the order they are received."

The down payments accompanying a "conditional" application will be deposited in the State Treasury, Giles said, and will be returned if the transaction is not completed.

No application has been accepted since March 18 except this "conditional basis," Giles stated.

John Adams was first president to occupy the White House.

Comander Robert E. Peary discovered the North Pole on April 6, 1909.

Miles Standish was the captain of the Mayflower.

George I of England was a German and could not speak English.

less driver, and Smith would only spend the money on beer and liquor. You can take my money for those purposes only by force.

Agent: Sorry, Bud. You're old-fashioned. You're arrested. Come along.



Everyone likes to look at a pretty girl and especially so when there is something unusual about this pretty girl. Miss Mary Kelly, of 1629 Marshal, Houston, Texas, is the official hostess for Trans-

San Angelo visitors for the past few days were Mr. and Mrs. John Carson, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Collett, Betty Jo McKinley, Mrs. Bill McKinley, Dorothy Burleson, Mrs. Charles Hale, Alicia Holmes and Mrs. Bill Maddox.

Mrs. E. B. Holland, Jr., is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. S. King in San Angelo.

Miss Betty Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell Sandel and son, Jim, left for East Texas to visit with relatives and friends.

Johnny Burleson and Sonny Elmore Anderson were sick with the flu this week, but are well again.

Mr. Bill McKinley, Yvonne and Dorothy Burleson went to Fort Stockton to visit with friends on Sunday.

Columbus made four voyages to America.

cities and surrounding areas served by the airline see one of the hostesses close up that she is accompanying the special sound truck on its tour of the state. The good-willers visited in McCamey last week.

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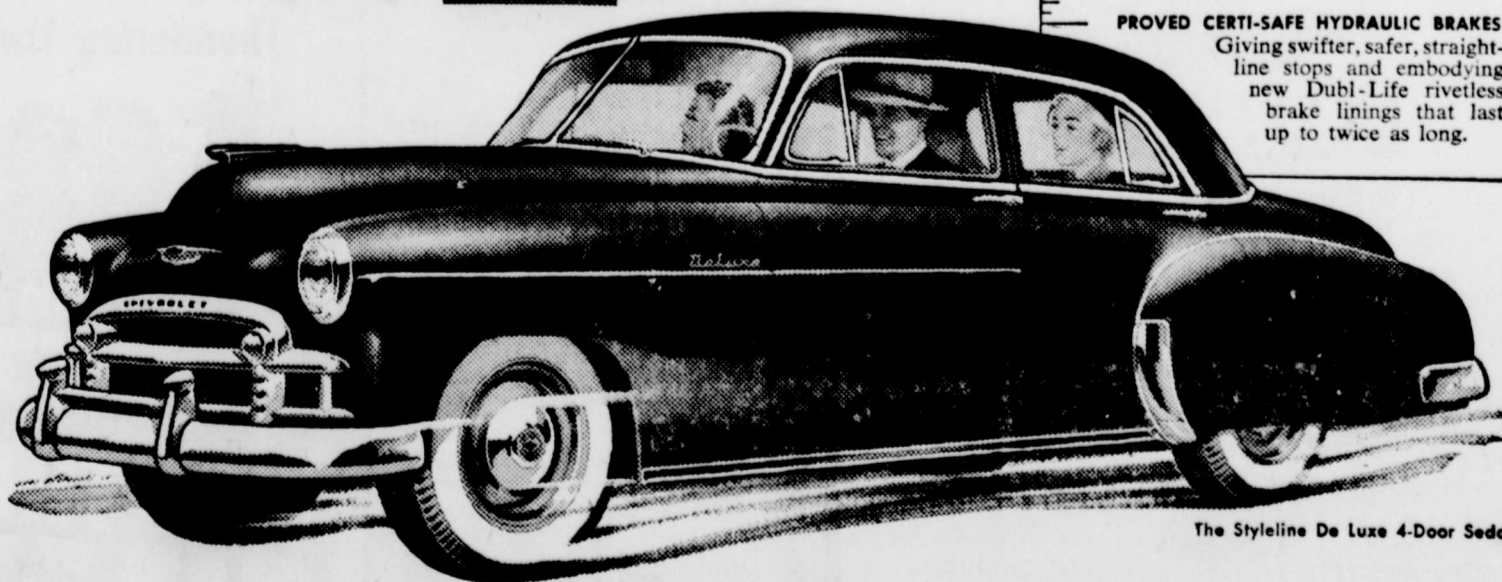
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Rankin is getting some new public speaking systems?

The band got first division at contest?

The junior volleyball girls got consolation in district?

The girls bought lots of earrings?

There really is an Easter bunny?

J. P. really came to see Jo Veta?

A librarian from Iraan was going to come to talk to the school librarians?

Ruthie won another volleyball? Good for her!

The H. E. girls would cook for the whole school?

The seniors weren't doing so good on their play? What's the matter?

School is nearly out? Yeepee!!

Bill and Joy are getting along just fine? We are so glad.

Louie, what happened to Mary?

Pete was in the senior play?

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Students! Teachers!

What do you say we have a new column in the paper called "Tune Topper?" If you would like to help we would appreciate it. All you are to do is send in the title of the song you wish to be printed. There will be a box placed in the hall for this purpose. For more information ask Elbert Eckols. This is an example:

NEAR ME

When you are near me, my darling,
My thoughts always stray
To a cottage that's far, far away,
Where dreams will come true,
Dear, there
For you and for me,
And I know you will always be
near me,
No matter how hard the begin-
ning,
With you by my side, I'll be win-
ning,
When that lucky day comes, dear,
And you say "I do,"
I'll be happy to know I'll be near
you.

Come on, kids. We would like
for you to give us your favorite
song.

Student Of The Week

This week we have a senior as the Student of the Week. Her name is Imogene Sanders. Nearly everyone calls her "Imer." She is a great kid. She was born in San Angelo on June 4, 1932. She moved to Rankin from Christoval in February of last year. Imogene played on the basketball team and volleyball team. She was selected by the teachers as the most athletic girl this year.

Some of Imogene's likes are the color red, any kind of food, shorthand and typing, volleyball and tennis.

Some of her dislikes are conceited people, girls who pair off and keep secrets from the others when they are really supposed to be together.

Imogene is a swell girl and we are glad to have her as a member of the senior class of Rankin High School. We wish her all the luck in the world.

Geo. Atkins of Ft. Stockton was a Rankin business visitor Monday.

The less you know how to do your work, the harder it is to do.

If you have something worth while to do, don't talk about it, but do it.

The man in the moon was never as interesting as a girl in the sun.
—THE SCRAPPER,
McCamey, Texas.

The Devil's Pitchfork

Say, thar, Bill H. Who's that sweet little ole gal at McCamey? She's kinda young, ain't she? Honk, honk, Goose. Why doesn't Margaret write more often. She's not busy with other boys, is she? Jackie S. and Virginia G. make a cute couple, don't they. Will we see more of them. Jimmy, why did you get so mad when you were typing that thesis for Marjorie. Lyn, Toad, please quit fussing all the time. We bet both of you together are driving Mrs. Eckols crazy with that arguing. It seems as though Chock might be a little lovesick since he hasn't seen Vada Mae in so long. You ought to be ashamed of yourself, Don S. Always picking on Virginia G. Lawanda sure is staying up at Romines a lot lately. Wonder why Chock. You are not jealous, are you. Weldon K. Jean, were you absent last Thursday just because "Foots" was. Boy, is there a lot of people sitting on tacks lately. What about that, "Arky"? All the kids will be coming home from college this weekend. It has been such a long time since they have been home. We were proud of the junior volleyball girls winning consolation at the district tournament.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: O. O. Chrisman; Anna Agnes Coffey and husband, W. E. Coffey; C. B. Couthran, a feme sole; C. B. Couthran, a feme sole; C. B. Elkin and husband, B. F. Elkin; George Jown Weich and husband, John Weich; Laonten Jackson and husband, George C. Jackson; Joie May Ince and husband, Joseph H. Ince; Flora Eloise Dodson; J. L. Nessly and wife, Minnie P. Nessly; A. A. Rucker and wife, Katie E. Rucker; J. A. Bennett; Myrtle Kinchelo Simmons; Kattie Rose Kinchelo; Howard Kinchelo; Howard Kinchelo; George B. Kinchelo Bennett; E. M. Cox; N. H. Wells; N. A. Wells; George M. Dodson and wife, Rose L. Dodson; Georgia B. Kinchelo; C. N. Brooks, and all persons claiming any title or interest in the land hereinafter described under the following deeds:

(a) George M. Dodson, grantor, to Flora Eloise Dodson et al, dated December 22, 1938, recorded Vol. 10, page 229, Upton County Deed Records;

(b) A. F. Schnaubert, grantor, to J. A. Bennett, grantee, dated May 6, 1913, recorded Vol. 12, page 302, Upton County Deed Records;

(c) A. F. Schnaubert, grantor, to T. P. Boyd, grantee, dated August 14, 1913, recorded Vol. 12, page 325, Upton County Deed Records; each and all of the spouses of the above defendants; each and all of the surviving spouses of the above defendants; each and all of the heirs and legal representatives of the above defend-

ants, their heirs and legal representatives.

GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the Plaintiffs' petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of May, A. D. 1950, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 112th District Court of Upton County, at the Court House in Rankin, Texas.

Said Plaintiffs' petition was filed on the 15th day of March, 1950.

The file number of said suit being No. 691.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Mrs. Zack Monroe, a widow, Lela Zell Putnam, joined by her husband, J. W. Putnam, Charlotte Yocham, joined by her husband, D. F. Yocham, J. D. Monroe, Bruce Monroe, Zackie Norman Monroe, Maggie LaVerne Monroe, C. W. Brown, L. E. Windham, and Ralph Pembroke, Plaintiffs, and the above named parties to whom this citation is issued and directed as Defendants.

Plaintiffs allege ownership of the following described land in Upton County, and are claiming the same in fee simple, to-wit:

North 2-5 of the W-2 of Section 18, Block N, Certificate 509, Abstract 661, H E & W T Ry. Co. Survey, containing 128 acres, more or less.

Such action is a suit in trespass to try title brought by Plaintiffs for title and possession of the lands above described, alleging both record title and title in themselves through peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under the five and under the ten year statutes of limitation, for damages in the sum of \$3500.00 and costs of suit.

Plaintiffs pray for recovery of title and possession to and of the lands above specifically described, damages and costs.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 15th day of March, A. D. 1950.



Jack Hawkins, Pecos executive and civic leader, shown, has been named candidate of the Pecos club for the position of District Governor of Lions District 2-T-2. The District Governor will be chosen at a meeting of Lions to be held in Alpine April 23 and 24.

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Given under my hand and seal of said Court at office in Rankin, Texas, this 15th day of March, A. D. 1950.

LS Ralph H. Daugherty,
Clerk, District Court, Upton County, Texas.

THE GOLIAD ENCOUNTER

By Lewis Burnett in the Iraan School Broadcaster.

On March 4, 1836, Sam Houston was appointed commander-in-chief of all the forces of the Republic of Texas. His first determination was to relieve Col. William B. Travis at the Alamo. Houston sent word to Col. James Fannin to meet him with all available forces on the west side of Cibolo Creek.

When Houston heard of the fall of the Alamo, he changed his plans. He sent two orders to Fannin, one to relieve at Bexar, and the other to retire to Victoria.

Fannin received Houston's order to retreat to Victoria at Goliad, and he set about to obey it. Previously, Fannin had disobeyed Houston's orders to retreat the first time, but now he had lost some of his men and was ready to retreat.

Fannin had many difficulties in retreating from Goliad. Some say that it was because his men came to Goliad to get shot at the Mexicans and remained to do so, and some say it was because of the roads and cold weather between Victoria and Goliad.

Fannin was waiting for the return of Col. William Ward before he began his retreat. He sent messages every day, but each time they were intercepted by the Mexican troops along the way. As a last resort, Fannin sent Capt. Micajah C. Frazier to take word to Ward. Frazier returned with word of the escape of Ward's men from the mission and the massacre of Capt. King's men. If Fannin had departed with his men on the return of Frazier, he would have gotten to Victoria with very little resistance from the Mexican forces.

But because he did not retreat at that time, the Mexicans received reinforcements from San Antonio. The delay of Fannin's retreat caused a weakness in his forces, his horses and his oxen. Later, the small band of Texans found that the delay was disastrous for them.

While still waiting in Goliad to retreat, Fannin's men and the Mexican troops had a few skirmishes, none being full-scale attacks. These small encounters greatly weakened the morale and strength in number of men and their supplies.

With the help of a dense fog, Fannin and his troops retreated from Goliad on the morning of March 19, 1836. Col. A. C. Horton acted as Fannin's scout. The Texans stopped to graze their animals and to eat breakfast after they had retreated seven miles. They had gone ten miles further before they caught sight of the Mexican troops in their rear.

Meanwhile Gen. Jose Urrea, the Mexican commanding officer, had doubted that Fannin would try to retreat and was preparing to attack the fort that Fannin and his men had occupied. When he heard that Fannin and his band of Texans had retreated, he himself took a force and pursued them. Urrea caught sight of the retreating Texans in the

early afternoon. When Fannin and his men saw the Mexicans pursuing them, they opened fire but decided later that they were yet too far away. The small retreating force went perhaps another mile when their supply cart broke down. They were trying vainly to reach a small wooded grove about half a mile away before they tried to engage the Mexicans in battle. Before they could leave their carts and flee to the wooded area they were surrounded by Urrea and his troops with nothing but what they had brought with them to make a protective shield between them and the Mexicans.

When Fannin realized that he and his men were completely surrounded, he arranged his men in a small hollow square. Although Urrea brought no artillery with him, he decided to join battle as quickly as he could organize his men for the battle.

Fannin and his weary soldiers fought with great bravery against the overwhelming odds. They turned back three attacks before Urrea decided to wait for the arrival of his artillery.

Some of Fannin's scouts, who had been up ahead scouting while the beginning of the battle had gotten underway, came back to the fight with the others instead of escaping as they could have.

Urrea himself admitted that this small band of men fought with such courage and bravery that the Mexican forces began to wonder what they were up against.

The survivors of the bloody battle told of the night that was spent in horror by the Texans. They were without any kind of lights, water or provisions. Most of the night was spent in digging a trench. Means from the wounded and the dying were heard all

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through the night. Escape was hardly thought of because they knew that it would be impossible. Though the night was pitch dark, which would have helped an escape, they did not go and leave their wounded fellow soldiers.

The following morning Urrea received fresh reinforcements and two cannons. After a few rounds of fire from the Mexican artillery, Fannin's men began to think of surrender because they knew that they did not stand a chance against the Mexican artillery. The Texans did not want to surrender, but they thought that maybe Urrea might give them favorable conditions of surrender if they laid down their arms.

Fannin and his few remaining troops were refused any surrender terms that they had drawn up, and had to accept the terms given them by the dictator, Santa Anna. Urrea told them that they would not be shot if he could help it.

Fannin and his men were removed to Goliad where they were to work building and repairing houses and buildings that had been damaged by the revolution.

A few days later, Santa Anna ordered all prisoners of war shot who had surrendered at the force of arms. And on March 27, 1836, Fannin and his faithful soldiers received the price of war—death.

Mrs. J. W. O'Bryan visited the Johnnie O'Bryan family in Big Lake recently.



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