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More Books Are Donated To New Rankin Library

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May 11, 1950
Dear Mrs. Still:
Enclosed you will find our check for \$5.00 from the McCamey Home Demonstration Club to buy a new book needed for your library.

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Mrs. White Honors W. S. C. S. Officer Corps With Dinner Saturday

Mrs. R. O. White, president of the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church in Rankin, complimented her corps of officers for the past year at a chicken dinner in her home Saturday night.

The dinner was served at a T-shaped table in the living room, with Mrs. S. H. Boyd assisting the hostess. Reports were made following the dinner.

Attending were Mmes. Hamp Carter, D. O. McEwen, E. C. Higday, S. H. Boyd, J. L. Bodine, R. H. Johnson, M. C. Duer, Murray McCain, Don Cochran, and the hostess.

Mrs. Joe T. McCommie of Seminole flew to Rankin with her father, Tom Workman, Saturday morning to visit her parents several days and attend the high school graduating events.

Negro Wanted In Houston Robbery, Rape Arrested In Farming Area



The engagement of Miss Bette Hines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hines of Rankin, to Winston V. Holcomb, son of Mrs. C. J. Holcomb, and the late Mr. Holcomb, also of Rankin, is announced by the bride-elect's parents. The wedding will take place at high noon on Tuesday, June 6, in the First Baptist Church at Rankin with Reverend Warren L. Capps officiating.

Hines-Holcomb Engagement Announced At Tea In Walton Harrel Home Thursday Morn.

The engagement of Miss Bette Hines to Winston V. Holcomb was announced at a coffee Thursday morning between the hours of seven and nine in the Walton Harrel home. Hostesses with Mrs. Harrel were Mmes. Marvin Bell, Ted Hogan and Clayton Dame-ron.

Mrs. L. L. Hines, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. C. J. Holcomb, mother of the prospective groom, and Bette Hines were in the receiving line. Guests were greeted by Mrs. Bell, and Mrs. Clint Shaw was at the guest register. The honoree, hostess and members of the house party wore corsages of white carnations and tulle. Arrangements of white carnations were used in the party

Business Census Show Wide Upton Increase

Retail, wholesale, and service establishments located in Upton County, showed a substantial expansion in dollar volume of trade from 1939 to 1948, according to preliminary figures from the 1948 Census of Business released recently by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Dept. of Commerce.

Retail sales in the county during 1948 aggregated \$4.7 million, an increase of 114 percent over the \$2.2 million in 1939, when the preceding Census of Business was taken. Wholesale sales in the county reached a total of \$4.7 million in 1948 as compared with \$1.9 million in 1939. The service trades included in the Census of Business recorded receipts totaling \$210,000 in 1948 compared with \$99,000 in 1939.

Employment in the county decreased over the 9-year period between 1939 and 1948 for the above trades. Establishments in these trades reported a combined total of 275 paid employees for the work week ended nearest Nov. 15, 1948. This compared with a total of 365 employees reported for the week of Nov. 15, 1939.

These preliminary figures have been derived from a Census report on Upton County. Final figures, superseding the preliminary data for Upton County, will be included in a bulletin for the State of Texas to be issued in several months. Similar data will be made available this year in preliminary and final form for each of the counties and States. A single copy of the preliminary release for Upton County as well as an order blank for other area releases may be obtained by writing to the Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C.

	Number of establishments	1948 sales (Thousand dollars)
RETAIL TRADE, total	80	4,733
Food group	16	1,134
Eating and drinking places	18	426
Gasoline service stations	10	327
All other retail stores	36	2,846
WHOLESALE TRADE	12	4,678
SELECTED SERVICE TRADE, total	28	210
Personal services	17	101
All other service trades	11	109

With Deputy Sheriff Wayne Cummins of Pecos County making the arrest, three West Texas peace officers apprehended Morris Bessard, colored, about ten miles south of McCamey in the Pecos County irrigated farming area. The man was wanted by Houston officers on charge of robbery and rape of a 16 year old white girl in 1949.

With Cummins at the time of the arrest was Constable Malcolm Reimers of Upton County, and Johnnie Hall, chief of detectives of Odessa.

The officers hunted throughout the farming area in the morning, before finding Bessard living alone in an adobe hut. He had been working for various farmers in the area for the past year. Bessard, 20 years old, was taken to Odessa where he is being held for Houston officers. Two other men in the case were arrested within a few days after the assault and both received death sentences. Nathaniel Edwards, 26, died in the electric chair on May 17, while Eugene McFarland, 25, is scheduled to die May 31.

Rankin Swimming Pool Opens During Week

The Rankin swimming pool opened this week, and for the first time will offer all new equipment to prevent health hazards.

During the past year, a new bottom was placed in the deep part of the pool, a filtering plant installed, along with a circulating system. The latter two provide for the continuous treatment of the water

in the pool with chemicals to insure against pollution, or other effects that might be harmful. These improvements were brought about through the concerted efforts of Commissioners W. J. Price and Sam Holmes during the past year.

O. C. Scarborough will be in charge of the operation of the pool, and Coach C. G. Fitzgerald will be life guard.

Rankin Library Plan Opening For June 1

The Rankin Study Club is completing arrangements for the formal opening of Rankin's new library the night of June 1 in the Park Building.

Refreshments will be served in the library, which will be open for inspection, and there will be benefit games in the auditorium of the building. "Bingo" will be one of the attractions for raising funds for the project.

Methodist Fellowship Honor Seniors, Choral Group Sunday Evening

The Methodist Fellowship group honored the senior class and the choral club of Rankin High School in the church educational building Sunday night immediately following the Baccalaureate services.

Members of the organization who do not belong to either group acted as hosts, and were assisted by Mrs. D. O. McEwen and Mrs. R. H. Johnson.

Elbert Eckols, MYF president, and Esther Clark, vice president, greeted the guests. Wanda Burleson served punch and Betty Bodine, cake from a refreshment table centered with shasta daisies and sweet peas. Others serving were Lois Bodine and Barbara Yocham. Included as guests were the school's faculty members, husbands, wives and escorts.



KEN REGAN GETS AIR AWARD—Pictured above is Representative Ken Regan of Midland receiving from Major General Robert Webster the Special Certificate of Merit awarded by American Legion Post 501 for distinguished service during World Wars I and II. At a dinner in Washington recently, the awards were made to Regan and seventeen other members of Congress who had served with the air services during the two wars. Regan, who was a Signal Corps flyer in the first World War and an Air Corps Intelligence officer in World War II, made the acceptance speech for the group.

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LOOK AT THE RECORD!

In a recent address, Harold E. Stassen, who is now president of the University of Pennsylvania, said that American workers are "grossly misinformed" about the operation of our economic system. He cited a survey made of a group of work men which asked their views on how much profit industry usually earns. The average answer was 43 cents on each dollar of business volume. The correct answer would have been less than 10 cents.

Mr. Stassen then urged business men to tell their employees the facts, and added, "Give the American worker the truth; give him constructive leadership, and he will be an indomitable bulwark against the enemies of freedom and defeat to the sirens of Socialism."

In other words, our best defense against the left-wing propagandists is simply the truth. Under the capitalist system, the profit earned by business is a relatively small item, far exceeded in most cases by wages, taxes and all other major business expenses. Under the capitalist system, the standard of living of labor has reached peaks undreamed of elsewhere. Under the capitalist system, any man can go as far as his abilities and ambitions permit—a very large percentage of the top business leaders of today started out in menial jobs. And finally, under the capitalist system, these enormous human gains have been made while the maximum of individual freedom has been maintained for everyone. Without individual freedom they would not have been possible at all.

The record is the best argument in existence for our kind of social and economic system.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Why "Moose" Changed His Mind

Last week, parents were calling Moose Jackson on the phone—and kids were hooting at him in the streets. All because Moose fenced in his field near the depot, where the kids like to play ball.

Moose got sore the way folks acted—refused to budge. Then Doc Sherman, who likes to play center-field himself sometimes, decided to "use a little psychology."

Over a friendly glass of beer at Andy's Garden Tavern, Doc says, "Sorry this came up, Moose. We were thinking of asking you to umpire—what with your professional

experience and all." (Moose used to play a little semi-pro ball.)

That did it! Next day Moose put up a stile over his fence. In return, the kids promised not to cause any damage. From where I sit, when you try to understand the other fellow's point of view—like his personal preference for beer or coffee—and then take into consideration the will of the majority, why, things seem to get better all around.

Joe Marsh

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SOCIALISM OR WHAT?

In these days of conflicting ideologies, it is vitally important to the future of our country for our people to know more about Socialism. Many are confused over what constitutes Socialism. Thus they sometimes are aiding the establishment of Socialism by approving measures whose socialistic implications are not apparent to them. Many Americans, on the other hand, frankly want some Socialism, believe we can measure the amount we wish to have—and have no more.

The Psychological Corporation, the oldest nationwide poll of public opinion, found that 75 per cent of our people are against "Socialism," but that most of them approve a number of federal government programs which they themselves classify as Socialism. About half of the 75 per cent, for instance, consider Federal housing to be socialistic—and yet half of them favor it.

SOCIALISTIC BUT OKAY

According to the carefully studied conclusions of this survey, 25 per cent of the Americans who are opposed to "Socialism," favor food subsidies for farm products, 18 per cent favor peacetime price controls, and 43 per cent favor peacetime rent control. Only 37 per cent consider TVA and similar regional programs developed with Federal funds to be socialistic; and 66 per cent are for them. One-fourth of the American people, the survey concludes, consider the compulsory social security taxes socialistic; 81 per cent favor them.

In another survey, the Industrial News Review polled the nation's newspapers. Results showed the press overwhelmingly opposed to "Socialism" and with a keen understanding of the doctrine and its practices; however, there were some disturbing facts revealed. Seventy-five American newspapers out of 1,362 replying to

the questionnaire—or about 5 1-2 per cent—do not consider the proposed Federal compulsory health measure, nationalizing the medical profession, to be socialistic.

QUESTIONABLE LOGIC

Forty-three newspaper editors do not feel their personal liberty would be in danger if the government took over ownership or control of the newspaper business. Eleven per cent do not consider public ownership and operation of basic enterprises—such as the electric industry, to be socialistic. Two per cent of the editors and six per cent of the population as a whole favor Socialism for America, according to the two surveys. And that's far too many.

In my column last week I mentioned that Communist and Socialist propagandists have been trying to convince employee groups that they have a right to participate in the profits of a business or industry solely on the basis of "Social Justice" and ignoring the capitalist principle that says a man's fairly-earned wealth or property belongs to him and him alone. These propagandists have made some headway even with people whose inclination is to be loyal to the basic American principles.

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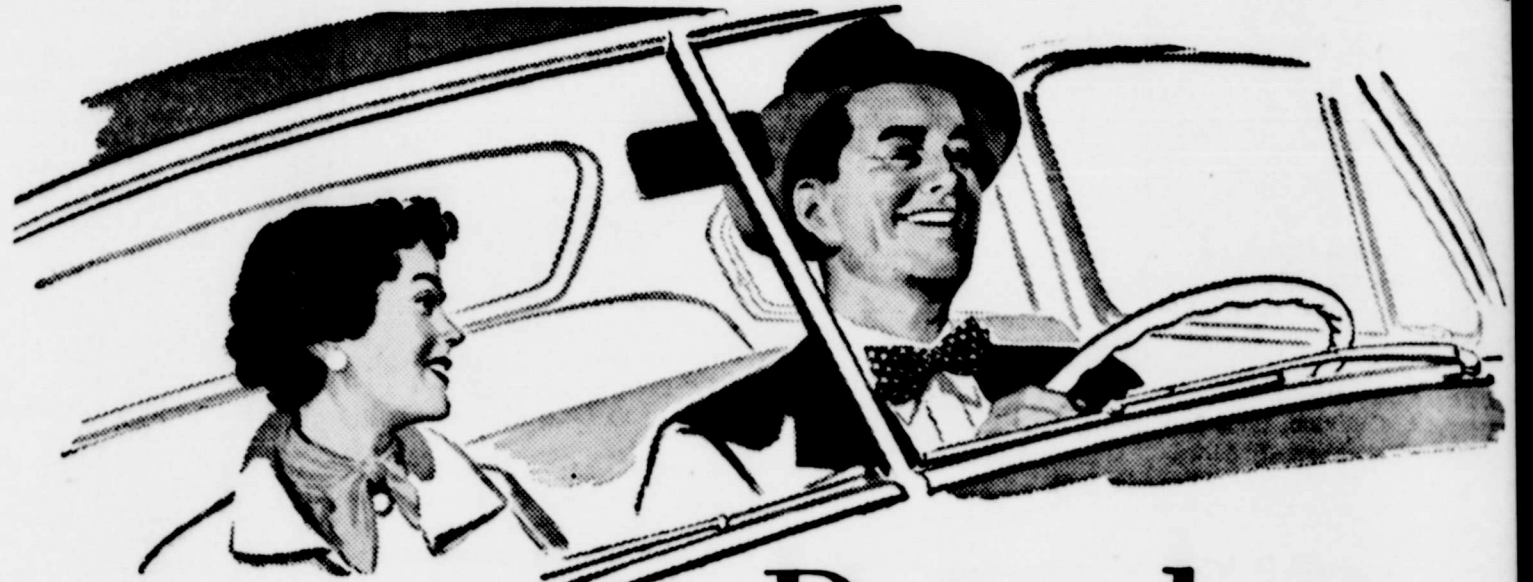
In Little Rock last week, the people held a local referendum and approved a Federal housing project—the money to come said

the advocates as a "gift." Among endorsers of the "gift" housing project were the Chamber of Commerce, a member of women's clubs, labor leaders and individual business and professional people. A Little Rock newspaper, urging approval of the project, said: "The money has been appropriated by Congress, it will be spent, and the citizens of Little Rock will pay their share in Federal taxes whether or not Little Rock chooses to participate in the program."

That's a hard-headed practical viewpoint, but if everybody's going to continue to act on it, the Federal budget is going to grow

and grow and so is the national debt and taxation. These actions and samplings of thinking around the country indicate an important void in the public understanding of Socialism and its implications. Public ownership of enterprise, public operation of a profession such as medicine, public financed housing for able-bodied citizens, enforced distribution of wealth that denies property rights—these are all standards of Socialism; in any Socialist textbook

Because timber is needed and will be needed in the future, young trees have potential wealth



Drive home the facts!

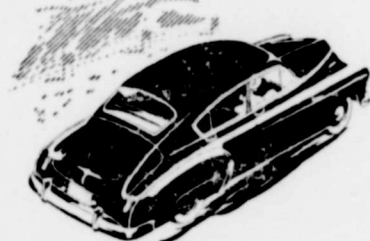
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- 2—Headed the Ector County School Board that built Odessa's first high school.
- 3—Spearheaded the campaign that provided the Boy Scouts of America with funds to purchase a 7,000-acre ranch in the Davis Mountains.

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(THIS ADVERTISEMENT PREPARED AND PAID FOR BY FRIENDS OF PAUL MOSS)

Judge Paul Moss To Carry Race Into El Paso Area This Week

Charting his plans to swing in the tip of West Texas under the gathering impulse of his "round the clock" political drive, District Judge Paul Moss of Odessa today was preparing to carry his campaign into El Paso next week.

Judge Moss continued to set a rapid pace in the race for Congress in Dist. 16 last week by appearing at appearances before voters at Rankin, Monahans, Pecos and Van Horn.

His activities during the week were climaxed by his delivery of a commencement address Friday night at the Van Horn High School.

He is tentatively expected to arrive in El Paso on Wednesday

after completion of the District Court docket in Ft. Stockton.

While in El Paso, Judge Moss will make tours of the Upper and Lower Valley areas in addition to visiting voters within the city.

Judge Moss, long a prominent member of the Democratic Party, presides over the 70th Judicial District of Texas. He has been engaged in various business and civic enterprises in West Texas for almost 25 years.

In all sections of the district, Judge Moss has been building up his lead in the congressional race in recent weeks. He is carrying his campaign directly to the people in each of the cities he visits.

Men can help in restoring the balance of nature when he understands and applies the principles governing the relation of trees and other plants to soil, water and wildlife.

Senior Class Honored At Breakfast Sunday In Tom Workman Home

The Rankin Senior Class, sponsors and their wives and room mothers were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman for breakfast in the Workman home Sunday morning at 8:30.

Spring flowers decorated the rooms and arrangements of roses centered the tables. The seniors were seated at one long table in the dining room and the adults at four some tables.

Supt. Still gave the invocation and Jimmy Workman gave a toast to the seniors. The three-course repast was served by Mrs. David K. Workman and Mrs. Joe T. McCommie, Jr.

Favors for the seniors were boxed note paper and thank-you cards attractively wrapped and autographed books. All appointments were in pastel colors and the ladies were presented nosegays of pink carnations and orchid sweet peas. Place cards bore spring blossoms.

Guests were Joveta Yocham, Winnie Pearl Ellis, Imogene Sanders, Marjorie White, Ruth Elliott, Don Still, Jimmy Workman, Billy Brown, Ted Yocham, Chock Romine, Mr. and Mrs. H. Still, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell White, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Romine.

Rep. J. T. Rutherford To Have No Opposition In July Primaries

J. T. Rutherford, Odessa, the state's representative now representing more counties than any other member of the Texas House of Representatives has been virtually assured of a second term when no one filed for his post by the deadline, midnight May 15.

"True that I now have the privilege of representing the largest district in the Texas House of Representatives, but I shall attempt to amend that situation, and I hope title, in the 52nd Legislature," Rutherford stated.

The legislature has long neglected to redistrict the state according to population. "It will be unpleasant for me to separate any of the present counties from the 13-county district that I now represent, but it is not fair to the people and industries of West Texas with the number of representatives that are now allotted to this vast empire," Rutherford concluded.

The West Texas Legislator was a bitter foe, in the 51st Legislature, of the "pork barrel appropriations." He has already stated that he will introduce a measure that will save the taxpayers of Texas "estimated more than \$5,000 per day."

Rutherford has lived in West Texas and Odessa for the past fifteen years. He received his education from Odessa High School, Sul Ross State College, and Baylor University Law School. The former oil field worker of the Permian Basin is married and has one child.

The huge 88th district now represented by Rutherford includes: Andrews, Crane, Ector, Jeff Davis, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Upton, Ward, and Winkler counties.

The first Tree Farm in the U. S. was established June 12, 1941. There are now 2,113 Tree Farms in the Nation. By the end of January, 1950, Texas had 205 Tree Farms with a total acreage of 2,741,599 acres.

Two Get Sentences, One Freed On D.W.I Charges Last Week

One man was found "not guilty" by a six man jury on a charge of driving while intoxicated in county court last week, while two others entered a plea of guilty and were assessed jail sentences and fined.

E. C. Urey was found not guilty of the charge by a six man jury. He was represented by Bill Tupper of San Angelo. County Attorney John Menefee represented the state.

Earl Mack Brown entered a plea of guilty to a DWI charge and was assessed 30 days in jail and fined \$75.

C. S. Flournoy was given a 10 day sentence and fined \$50 on a like count.

Menefee accepted the pleas and presented them to the court with recommendations. County Judge G. H. "Bud" Fisher presided over the court and handed down the sentence in the cases plead guilty.

Tornado Slaps Crane; Heavy Rains In Upton

Crane was lashed with a driving rain and hailstorm Thursday afternoon, and along with tornadoic winds up to 75 miles an hour, heavy damage was suffered. The damage was placed between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

The tornado first hit the airport just north of the city, demolishing two hangers, and destroying eight light craft. The wind lifted three of the planes in to the air, according to reports from Crane, and were aloft several minutes.

In Crane proper, houses were unroofed, porches torn from house and windows shattered. Shingles from roofs were scattered over the city. It was also reported that the colored section of the town was practically leveled by the winds.

In the Gulf Camp south of town, reports came of trees being uprooted, but no property damage was listed for the camp.

After the winds hit about 3 o'clock, the electric power of the city was out. Power was not restored until some four hours later. Numerous telephone poles were down.

A virtual cloudburst accompanied the tornado, with some two inches of rain falling in about thirty minutes. Water was running high throughout the town for the remainder of the afternoon.

Elsewhere in the area, the McCamey-Rankin area was soaked by three inches of rain, and the road between Rankin and McCamey was closed for some three

hours due to high waters near the Montgomery Ranch. Water ran over all the roads leading from McCamey, with numerous cars reported stalled on the McCamey-Ft. Stockton road near Girvin during the afternoon.

Water washed over the McCamey-Iraan road in several places, but was never a threat to road traffic.

Only light hail fell in McCamey, but areas to the north, west and east reported heavy hail, with sizes up to a hen egg. Though the hail hit hard at outlying camps and ranches, no hail damage was reported early Friday morning.

Hail was reported several inches deep in the area of the Montgomery Ranch, and also in the area near the Rio Pecos Camp west of McCamey.

Overcast skies early Friday indicated that possibly more would be in store for the area.

Maintenance of timber stands must depend mainly upon natural reproduction. Reforestation of the poorly stocked and denuded forest land in the South would require a hundred years at the present rate of planting.

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MRS. WALTER MALMSTROM HONORED AT SHOWER IN RANKIN FRIDAY NIGHT

Warning Issued To McCamey Merchants On "Hot" Checks

A warning to local merchants that fictitious payroll checks on a major oil company may be passed or attempted was issued by Sheriff H. E. "Gene" Eckols this week.

The checks are printed on green Hammermill Bond safety paper, drawn on the Citizens National Bank of Houston, and in the name of Gulf Oil Corp., Pipe Line Division.

Sheriff Eckols said the checks originated in Odessa, but that so far none has been presented here. Any local merchant who should be presented one of these checks, is asked to notify the sheriff's department immediately.

Reforestation is the process by which man help nature to restore forest cover where the natural timber stand has been destroyed or allowed to deteriorate excessively.

On Friday night at the Rankin Park Building, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Malmstrom entertained at a stork shower for their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Walter Malmstrom, of San Angelo.

Five large tables were set for the guests, decorated with the chosen colors of pink and blue. At the honoree's table a beautifully decorated cake was placed before a large stork, out of whose mouth flowed streamers of pink and blue ribbons, leading to a special gift of a nylon gown given the honoree by her intimate friends.

Little Mary Joyner presented a large number of gifts to Mrs. Malmstrom in a baby carriage.

Refreshments and dancing were enjoyed after the presentation of the gifts by Messrs. and Mmes. William Spencer, L. H. White, J. J. Allen, J. Parker, Carey Lee-man, Earl Daugherty, Ray Joiner, John Hamilton, Dick Stewart, Alfred Perk, Buck Ellis, Archie Price, F. L. Cameron, J. Wise and Mrs. Ed Kole, Mr. Walter Malmstrom, Mr. James Warren, Mr. Alfred Beck and Mr. Matt Woods.

Census Takers Make Last Appeal For Aid In Making Survey

A search is still going on for those persons who have not been included in the 17th Decennial census.

Although preliminary reports for McCamey, Rankin, Iraan and Sheffield areas have been tabulated, the last appeal for persons not yet counted is made.

The status of the population for

these various communities, and the counties in which they are located will depend upon this census for future records.

Any persons who have not been tabulated are urged to contact Ernest McKinney in McCamey by telephone, or drop a card.

The oak is called the King of Trees, and acorns from oak trees were a food before anyone in Europe knew of the grain we call corn.

Colored Baseball Tim Set For McCamey Sun.

The McCamey Tigers will play host to the Ballinger Cats Sunday afternoon in the McCamey School ball park in a game between two colored teams.

The game has been scheduled for 3 p. m. Sunday afternoon. C. J. Jackson will hurl for the locals, while Big Eaten Jones will be on the mound for the visitors.

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