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## DRAFT MACHINERY CALLED INTO ACTION

### Petitions Seek \$200,000 Upton County Hospital Federal Aid Sought; To Be Located In McCamey

Petitions were being circulated this week in McCamey asking that the Upton County Commissioners Court call a bond election in the amount of \$200,000 for the purpose of establishing and equipping a County Hospital. The project is sponsored by the McCamey Woman's Study Club, Mrs. Bill Van Atta as the chairman. Mrs. Van Atta stated Wednesday that the Texas State Department of Health had assured state approval for Federal aid in the amount of \$200,000. The hospital would have 17 beds, according to the plans and specifications prepared by Wyatt Hedrick, architect and engineer of Fort Worth and would be located in McCamey. Mrs. Van Atta said that they wanted to have more than 100 names of qualified property owners of the county who were on the tax rolls to sign the petition. The petition calls for 10 per cent of the qualified number. The entire text of the petition is as follows:

held in and throughout Upton County, Texas, at the earliest date practicable, but not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than thirty (30) days from the date of the election order, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified resident property taxpaying voters of said County who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, for their action thereupon, the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION**  
"Shall the Commissioners' Court of Upton County, Texas, be authorized to issue bonds of Upton County, Texas, in the amount of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$200,000.00) DOLLARS bearing interest at the rate of not exceeding four per centum (4%) per annum, and maturing at such time or times as may be deemed most expedient by said Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, not exceeding 25 years from their date, for the purpose of establishing and equipping a County Hospital as authorized by Article 4478 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, and shall there be annually levied and collected on all taxable property in said County for the current year and annually thereafter while said bonds, or any of them, or any interest thereon, are outstanding, a tax sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds and to pay the principal thereof as the same becomes due?"

DATED this, \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 1950.

#### THINGS TO CONSIDER

A petition calling for the Upton County Commissioners' Court to call an election in the amount of \$200,000 for the purpose of erecting an Upton County Hospital in McCamey to be raised by taxes is being circulated this week. Also, the Federal government is to participate in the project in a like sum of money.

This petition brings a number of questions to mind in regard to the project in light of experiences of other West Texas counties who have such institutions.

First of all, is there actually a demand in McCamey and the immediate area for a 17 bed hospital? The Cooper Hospital, a private institution, has a 16-bed hospital, fully equipped, in McCamey at the present time.

In this regard, a dilemma arises. Would it be proper for the county to extend tax money for the purpose of competition to private enterprise?

On the other hand, would it actually amount to a subsidy to the Cooper Hospital? In most counties with our population, where county hospitals have been built, there are no other local facilities available. In those counties, the county institutions get the patients who are able to pay all their bills, along with those who are unable to make payment. We can see the possibility of such a project in McCamey losing many of its "paying customers," while getting an abundance of those unable to meet their obligations.

Second, it is not the initial cost of construction that should be of primary interest, but the cost of operation each year for maintenance and operation. An investigation into some of the West Texas counties will be made in the coming weeks, and their operational losses will be given.

Third, in the light of the experience of the McCamey Independent School District at their bid letting only last Tuesday found that the war situation had already made its show on costs, with the lowest bids being \$55,000 more than the engineer's estimate. With the situation in the construction business being what it is at the present time, it might be wise to investigate further and get opinions of building contractors as to cost, and the prospect for higher costs in the immediate future.

Fourth, a lot of consideration should be given as to how this operational expense might affect the other services now extended by the county. In the coming weeks, a study of the county funds will be made and given as to the amount now expended for various services, their nature, and how they might be affected with such an additional burden on the general funds.

Fifth, the manner of operation of the unit should be fully explained, as to the personnel of the project, the cost of its facilities to patients in comparison to private hospitals, and whether the hospital will be under the direction of a board of the various doctors in Upton County, whether it will be under the direction of a hired physician, whether the facilities will be open to all doctors, just doctors of the county, or exactly how the operational features of the institution are prepared to function.

Sixth, why was the city of Rankin, who more than doubled their population in the past ten years, and have even more people looking to them for service with the building of camps in the Benedum Field, was ignored in the petition. There are no hospital facilities available in Rankin, while some 1,400 people either reside in the city, or look to them to supply their needs.

These are just some of the things to consider when, and if, the election is called.

This paper will attempt to place the facts found in their investigations before the readers so that they may properly decide on the issue with a full knowledge of the details.

#### RANKIN BOYS VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE

Among the first young men of Rankin to volunteer for the Armed Forces in the present emergency are Billy Stephenson and Joe Leonard. Stephenson, who served in World War II, has enlisted in the Air Corps and Leonard in the Navy. The boys enlisted at the recruiting station in Odessa and Monahans, respectively, on Friday of the past week.

#### Absentee Voting Light As The Deadline Nears

At Wednesday noon, only 22 absentee votes had been cast in Upton County, with the absentee voting deadline only six days away. The final absentee voting must be done before midnight, Tuesday, July 18. Ralph H. Daugherty, county and district clerk, reminded Upton voters that they may come to his office at any time before the deadline and secure the absentee voting blanks. There are 1,447 poll tax holders in the county, exclusive of overers and unders.

#### Houston Paper Lauds Reagan On Stand On Tidelands Issue

MIDLAND.—A new twist to the Texas Tidelands controversy was brought to light recently by the Washington correspondent of the Houston Post. If the administration tries to put through a bill for Federal government control of the Texas Tidelands, it will find a Texan in a strategic position to block it. He is Rep. Ken Regan of Midland, who is chairman of the mines and mining subcommittee of the House Public Lands Committee. Such a bill would have to be referred to the Regan committee before any action on it could be taken by the House as a whole.

Regan does not predict what would happen to such a bill. He merely says he is "not very much interested in it." But when a committee chairman is not interested in a bill, it rarely gets further than the nearest pigeon hole. The Houston Post story also said: "Big, genial Ken Regan is one of the best liked members of the Texas delegation in Congress. And he works very hard at his job. For a comparative newcomer to become chairman of an important subcommittee is no mean achievement."

"The public lands committee is not too well known in Texas, which up to a short time ago thought it owned all the public lands which it had when it entered the Union, but it has charge of about 400 million acres owned by the people in the United States, plus the affairs of Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and other U. S. possessions."

"All legislation relating to leasing and development of the public lands for oil and mining must be cleared first by Regan's subcommittee."

#### Mrs. R. O. White To Conduct Children's Study Hour Friday

Mrs. R. O. White will tell Bible stories at the Rankin Public Library during the Children's Hour next Friday, July 22. The Story Hour is at 4 o'clock each Friday and all children of the community are welcome.

### Local Board Awaits Orders For Three Counties

Many parents in Upton, Crane and Reagan counties began spending anxious moments this week with the announcement that drafting would begin as soon as Selective Service Boards over the country could be set into operation. Men between the ages of 19 through 25 were subject to the call. Reports from the head office in Washington this week said that they "believed that the quota of 20,000 men called for could be secured without going lower than the 22 year old age limit." On releases Wednesday, State Selective Service headquarters announced the Texas quota at 1,005 men. Local Board No. 121, which services the three counties, announced Wednesday noon that they had received no instructions from the state office, and would continue to service the three counties pending instructions. Members of the Board, which has main offices in McCamey, are G. C. Pauley, president; Charles Ogle of Crane and J. O. Lushy of Big Lake. Mrs. Pauline Edwards of McCamey is secretary of the Board. The offices of the Selective Service is located in the offices of J. T. Wade, next door to the McCamey Chamber of Commerce. No regular hours for the office has been announced, and are pending word from Austin, according to Pauley. All youths attaining their 18th birthday are required to register by law, and are subject to punishment if they do not do so. Any person 18 years of age or up to 26 years of age, who has not registered should do so immediately. Also, men who have moved into any of these counties who are registered elsewhere, should notify their draft board of their present address. This feature is also required by law. Any person registered in the Local No. 121 Board whose status

has changed since registering, marriage, dependents, or other causes, should apply to the local office in McCamey for reclassification. Check your classification, and ascertain from the requirements below if your status is subject to re-classification. General Wakefield for the information of the public, released the following selective service classifications and their meanings: I-A—Available for military service. I-A-O—Conscientious objector available for non-combatant service only. I-C—Member of the armed forces of the United States or the Public Health Service and certain registrants separated from these services. I-D—Member of reserve component, National Guard, or student taking military training. II-A—Deferred because of civilian employment (except agriculture). II-C—Deferred because of employment in agriculture. III-A—Deferred because of dependents. IV-A—A registrant who completed enough active duty service in World War II to be exempt from service under the terms set forth in the draft law; any registrant who is the sole surviving son of a family whose sons or daughters died in service during World War II. IV-B—Official deferred by law. IV-C—Aliens. IV-D—Minister of religion or divinity student. IV-E—Conscientious objector opposed to both combatant and non-combatant military service. IV-F—Physically, mentally or morally unfit. V-A—Registrant over the age of liability for military service (Any registrant who has reached his 26th birthday. Such a registrant is not liable for service under the Selective Service law.)

### Recent Additions To Rankin Library Shelves

New books recently purchased and others by donation to the Rankin Library are:

Edited by: MISS CLEONA QUIETT— Sebastian Bach (biography), Carl Wheeler and Sybil Deucher, Mozart, the Wonder Boy, (biog.), Carl Wheeler and Sybil Deucher.

**NEW BOOKS:**  
Atlas of American History, Ring W. Lardner.  
Government and Liberty, William Beard.  
Complete Guide to American Colleges and Universities, Clarence E. Lovejoy.  
Lincoln Library of Essential Information.  
Books Donated by: MRS. ELTON HALL— Wanderer of the Wasteland, Zane Grey.  
King of the Royal Mounted, Zane Grey.  
Green Grass of Wyoming, Mary O'Hara.  
The Mustangs, Bennett Foster.

Edited by: MRS. BREDEHOFT— Physician Throughout the Ages, Vol. 1 and 2, Selwyn-Brown.

Edited by: MRS. L. C. STEELE— Roughing It, Mark Twain.  
Vanishing Ships, Phillip Fisher.  
Somewhat Angels, David DeJong.  
Love From London, Gilbert Chriel.  
Country Mouse, Louise Dent.  
Golden Hoof, Winifred Kupper.  
Smiling Peace, Stefan Heym.  
Those Other People, O'Donnell.  
Gleaming Rails, Graham Dean.

Elizabeth Captive Princess, Margaret Irwin.  
Case of the Cautious Coquette, E. S. Gardner.  
Northern Lights, Roger Vercey.  
You Are France, Lisette, Jean Lytle.  
Little Women, L. M. Alcott.  
Heidi, Johanna Spyri.  
Shirley Temple and the Screaming Specter, Heisenfeld.  
Pinocchio, C. Colodi.

**Donated by:**  
MRS. M. J. EDWARDS— Young Bess, Margaret Irwin.

**New Juvenile Books:**  
Bat, the Story of a Bull Terrier, Meador.  
Sea Snake, Stephen Meader.  
Boy With a Pack, Meador.  
Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Twain.  
Jungle Book, Kipling.  
Lassie Come Home, Eric Knight.  
Smoky, the Cow Horse, Will James.  
Book of Cowboys, Holling Copper-Toed Boots, DeAngeli.

**New Young Adult Books:**  
Three Sisters, Cornelia Spencer.  
Sue Barton, Visiting Nurse, Boylston.  
Sue Barton, Supt. of Nurses, Boylston.  
Sue Barton, Student Nurse, Boylston.  
Sue Barton, Rural Nurse, Boylston.  
Sue Senior Nurse, Boylston.  
Mountain Girl, Genevieve Fox.  
Your Career in Nursing, Cecilia Schulz.  
Will to Win, Stephen Meader.  
My Friend Flicka, Mary O'Hara.  
Penny Marsh, Public Health Nurse, Deming.  
Lou Gehrig, Frank Graham.

#### Paratrooper Holder Visits Parents Here

Paratrooper Gordon Holder has been visiting relatives in Rankin and other West Texas points while on a month's furlough from Ford Brad, Va.

#### Murray McCain Is Moved To Abilene

Murray McCain, Upton County employee who suffered a badly crushed foot in an accident last week, is in an Abilene hospital. Mr. McCain's leg is not broken as was first reported, but the foot proved to be badly broken.

#### Seventeen, Booth Tarkington Let the Hurricane Roar, Rose W. Lane.

House of Her Own, Marjorie H. Allee.  
Shadow in Pines, Meador.  
Understood Betsy, Dorothy Canfield.  
White Bird Flying, Bess S. Aldrich.  
You Make Your Own Luck, Singmaster.  
Downright Decency, Caroline D. Snedeker.

**New Easy Books:**  
Cowboy Tommy, S. Tousey.  
Story of Ferdinand, M. Leaf.  
Jerry and the Pony Express, Tousey.  
Watch Me, Sharp and Young.

#### B&PW Club Honors Mrs. Tom Workman With Surprise Coffee

Mrs. Tom Workman, outgoing president of the Rankin Business and Professional Women's Club, was honored with a surprise coffee Thursday morning at 10 o'clock by a group of B&PW Club members. Hot breakfast muffins, butter, jelly and coffee were served at an especially laid long table in the City Cafe and Mrs. Ralph H. Daugherty, outgoing vice president, presented Mrs. Workman a lovely gift on behalf of the club in appreciation of the two years she served as the club's president.

#### RETURN FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hamilton have returned from a two weeks vacation trip to Florida. Mrs. Hamilton is the former Clois Baxter, a bookkeeper at the First State Bank.

C. Snell of Lampasas, Texas, former Upton County agent, was a business visitor in Rankin on Friday.

Dr. J. C. Bredehoff left Monday for the State of Colorado where he will visit a brother for about ten days.

Mrs. Roy Guffey of Junction was a Rankin business visitor on Thursday.

### Questions and Answers About The Draft Laws

Here, in question and answer form, is the most complete statement available of what the draft is and whom it will affect:

Q. How many of the 20,000 will be from Upton, Crane and Reagan counties?  
A. That won't be known for several days.

Q. Who must register?  
A. Every man between the ages of 18 and 26. The oldest man subject to registration was born Aug. 30, 1922. 18 year olds have five days in which to register after their 18th birthday.

Q. Will 18 year olds be inducted into service?  
A. Under present law, no. Not until they are 19.

Q. Will high school students be inducted into service?  
A. Not until they become 20, providing they maintain passing grades.

Q. Are there any exceptions to who must register?  
A. Only those men now on active duty with a branch of the armed services. Even West Pointers, must register.

Q. Of those men who must register, who is NOT eligible, by present laws, to be drafted?  
A. 1. Veterans of World War II. Veterans are men who either served on active duty 90 days between Dec. 7, 1941, and Sept. 21, 1945, or for one year between Sept. 16, 1940, and June 24, 1948.  
2. The sole surviving son of a family whose other sons or daughters were killed during World War II.

3. Men with dependents. One dependent is an automatic exemption by present law.  
4. Men in reserve groups or taking military training in school or college.  
5. Men now in the armed services or the public health service and certain men who have been separated from these groups.  
6. Men over age.  
7. Various others for reasons of employment, alien birth or physical, mental or moral reasons. Conscientious objectors and divinity students are also ineligible.  
Q. How long does a serviceman have in which to register following his discharge from the service?  
A. Thirty days.  
Q. Does an inductee have his choice of services?  
A. He does not. He will be placed where he is needed most.  
Q. Can a man still join the reserves?  
A. Yes, but check with the service you prefer to see what its requirements are.  
Q. Who will be the first of the eligible men to be actually inducted?  
A. The 25 year olds. Then the 24 year olds, and so on down. The oldest men will go first. They will go according to birth, then month, then date of year, and finally alphabetically.  
Mrs. Howard Wear of Rice, Texas, spent the past weekend with her nephew, D. S. Anderson and family. The Andersons met Mrs. Wear in Midland Saturday.



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**JUST WHAT IS THE ANSWER?**

The problem of providing for the elderly part of our population has become a very difficult and serious one. For this is the progress of modern science and other reasons, the percentage of those past 65 is rising with great rapidity.

Even now, Herbert Hoover said in a recent address, "The fact is that 7,000,000 persons in this group (persons aged 65 to 85) and they must provide for \$3,000,000,000 of their needs. It is a heavy load that the government workers and their wives... must carry."

How to deal with the case of the elderly has been commanding the intense attention of industry and the labor unions. The unions have concentrated an effort to gain retirement pensions for their members of \$50 or more a month, social security payments included. They have signed a number of highly favorable contracts, notably with U. S. Steel, Chrysler and General Motors. According to Walter Reuther they hope in ten years to make \$200 a month the standard pension. However, whether or not this amount, few believe that such pension plans are anything like a complete solution. For one thing, the majority of workers are not unionized, and it is hardly likely that they would be willing to be without adequate pensions while a relatively small group reaped the benefit. For another, one has just figured out a way by which the thousands of smaller businesses of the country could guarantee an acceptable pension plan. For still another even when large companies are organized, there are great complications and impracticalities—the state of business in the future, how many employees will die or resign or otherwise become ineligible before reaching retirement age, how long the average pensioner will live, what the investment yield will be on funds set aside for pension purposes, what rules to establish to determine the benefits various classifications of workers are entitled to, and so on.

Now can we just be sure how much a pension plan will add to the cost of a company's product. On the debit side, it may increase the labor cost of each employee by 10 cents or more an hour. On the credit side, however, as the treasurer of Eastman Kodak has pointed out, "There are definite savings. The organization is kept on a more efficient basis. A sense of security is brought to the older worker and there is a good effect on the younger worker as well. There is a better feeling among the employees and in the community... Labor turnover will be lower."

No much for the pros and cons. Basically, the problem is to find a way to assure the old a comfortable retirement without depressing the economy, forcing commodity prices to ever-higher levels, and making the burden of taxation insupportable.

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**2 KINDS**  
 You know, you've got TWO kinds of expenses. There are IMMEDIATE costs of daily living, and then there are things you've got to buy and pay for in the future.  
 How about these long range expenses? You should be saving NOW, possibly for a home of your own or Junior's education.  
**START SAVING NOW... HERE!**  
  
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 RANKIN, TEXAS

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**HERBERT HOOVER**  
 Defendant.  
 You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition as or before 10 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday, the 7th day of August, A. D. 1950, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 112th Judicial District Court of Upton County, at the Court House in Rankin, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 23rd day of May, A. D. 1950. The file number of said suit being 70-701.

The names of the parties in said suit are: **Herbert Hoover**, as Plaintiff, and **J. E. Wilson**, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: That the plaintiff alleges that the defendant, on or about the 23rd day of May, A. D. 1950, Plaintiff was duly and legally married to Defendant until on or about the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1948, since which time they have not lived together. Plaintiff is now a widow, and she has been twice divorced immediately prior to marrying the defendant, an actual bona fide inhabitant of the State of Texas, and she resides in the said County of Upton, where this suit is filed, for a period of six months next preceding the filing of this suit. Plaintiff alleges that during the time she and Defendant lived together as a husband and wife, and affectionate as to him and always mindful of her marriage vows, Defendant, on or about the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1948, without provocation or cause whatsoever voluntarily left and abandoned the bed and board of his petitioner with the intention of finally separating and living apart from her, and has continued so to do up to the filing of this petition, though often contacted by petitioner in person in his bed and board and live with her as her husband. Such abandonment has been for more than a period of three years.

Plaintiff further alleges that Defendant's actions and conduct toward her generally are of such a nature as to render their further living together insupportable, the premises considered. Plaintiff further alleges that there is no community property and no children.

**WHEREFORE** Plaintiff prays the Court that Defendant be cited to appear and answer herein and for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, special and general, at law and in equity, that she may be justly entitled to.

If this Citation is not served within 10 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unanswered.

Issued this the 22 day of June, A. D. 1950.  
 Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Rankin, Texas, this the 22 day of June, A. D. 1950.

**Ralph H. Daugherty**,  
 Clerk, District Court,  
 Upton County, Texas.  
 By Sara L. Stephenson, Deputy.

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**Elect WILL WILSON**

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**NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING**  
 In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization, regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse in the town of Rankin, Upton County, Texas, at 9 o'clock A. M., beginning on Thursday the 10 day of August, 1950, and from day to day thereafter, for the purpose of determining, fixing and equalizing the value of any and all taxable property situated in Upton County, Texas, until such values have finally been determined for taxable purposes for the year 1950, and any and all persons interested or having business with said Board are hereby notified to be present.  
 (LS) **Ralph H. Daugherty**,  
 County Clerk,  
 Upton County, Texas.  
 Rankin, Texas,  
 this 8 day of May, 1950.

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**NOTICE OF DEDICATION OF BRIDGE**  
 James A. Hensley gives notice that the partnership hereby submitting to the public the bridge over the...  
**WILLIAM LAUREL**, under the firm name of "Upson & Well Equipment Co." was finished by the...  
 All persons having claims against the partnership are to be presented to him for payment.  
 Earl Wells, Jr.  
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 James F. Lane,  
 William C. Lane.

The 1950 operating deficit of the U. S. Postal Service will amount to \$20,000,000. This means an extra tax of about 34 for every man, woman and child in the U. S.

Robert Patton and Samuel F. E. Moore, two American inventors born within 10 years of 1890, helped finance themselves as young men through successful portrait painting.

Four bunches of young light-weight cows with calves that were offered by Johnny Wilson of Pyote brought an average of \$104 a pair.

Thanksgiving Day has been proclaimed every year since Abraham Lincoln began the custom.

During the first year of a child's life he grows more rapidly than at any other time.

Women are not eligible for the Rhodes scholarships.

**MIDLAND LIVESTOCK REPORT**

The market was strong and active at Midland Livestock Auction Company sale Thursday, July 6. Prices were up 25c to \$1.00 a hundred on all classes over the week before. Only 300 head of cattle were received and sold.

Fat calves and yearlings went from \$24 to \$27.50; medium grades were \$20 to \$24. Fat cows sold for \$18 to \$21.50; medium cows brought \$17 to \$18. Canners and cutters averaged at \$12 to \$17. Bulls ranged for \$18 to \$22.

Blocker steer calves were bid at \$17.50 to \$20 and stocker steer yearlings averaged for \$25 to \$28.50.

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**CLASSIFIED ADS**

**FOR SALE**—Lone Wolf & gain. Five room house, modern, swimming pool, etc. Cash price only \$1,500.00. See Freda, 112th St., Rankin, Texas. Capacity 100 gallons. \$125.00. See Freda, 112th St., Rankin, Texas.

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**West Texas needs a congressman who is free to judge for himself without looking back over his shoulder for a nod from one of the special interests.**  
**You—all of the people—should be represented. Not just a select few. Not just old friends. Not just business associates. Not just people with enough money to contribute to a campaign fund.**  
**"I have no selfish interests to serve. No personal ambition to satisfy. If you see fit to send me to Washington, my sole reward will be in serving all of you faithfully—equally—and with all of the energy I possess."**  
**—PAUL MOSS**  
 April 18, 1950  
**One of the BIG REASONS why —**  
**PAUL MOSS**  
**IS THE MAN FOR CONGRESS**  
 (This Advertisement Prepared And Paid For By Friends Of Paul Moss)



**New Idea In Tank Transport**  
The task of moving a 3,800,000-gallon storage tank to a new location didn't faze one oil company. A bulldozer scooped out a ditch

1,000 feet long and two feet deep. Water from a nearby pond was pumped into the miniature canal. The tank was then floated to its new site.

**Social Security Cost Is Low To Workers**

It costs less than 13 cents to keep track of a worker's earnings under social security for an entire year, according to figures furnished by George Clark, manager of the San Angelo office of the Social Security Administration.

As explained by Clark, the old-age and survivors insurance system is based upon individual wage accounts in which the government keeps a record of each worker's earnings in jobs subject to the law. So far accounts have been set up for about 80 million individuals who have wage credits, with the entire job of establishing and maintaining these million of accounts costing about 3-4 of one per cent of the taxes collected. The overall cost of the complete program, including collection of taxes, record keeping, and payment of claims, is now approximately 3 per cent of tax income and is declining steadily.

Calling this a record that few, if any, commercial companies can equal, Mr. Clark stated that the results have been achieved by use of the most modern technical methods and by strict attention to economy and efficiency. In support of this statement he cited figures which show that the same amount of work which required 100 employees in 1941 was done by 60 in 1949.

As an example of his agency's speedy action, Clark mentioned the furnishings of wage statements. These statements are furnishing upon receipt of signed requests from account number card holders, in much the same way that a bank balances its depositor's accounts. In spite of the fact that requests are received at the rate of about 2,000 daily, each individual's account is located among the millions in file, a summary of his earnings is prepared, and the statement is in the mail within 72 hours from the time request is received.

Thirty-three states had prohibition before the 18th Amendment was adopted.

In going through the Panama Canal, one travels more than 50 miles.

China, Russia and India are the three largest countries by population.

Jas. A. Garfield, who died at 49, lived the shortest life of any other U. S. President.

**ODESSA YOUTH IS CHARGED IN RAPE BY CRANE OFFICERS**

Charged with rape, a 20-year-old Odessa youth, Eugene Griggs, was jailed Friday night by Ector County Sheriff's officers for Crane authorities.

The youth was accused by the Crane officers of having attacked a teen-age girl from Midland, as they motored back to Odessa from Crane.

According to Ector County authorities Griggs with a friend and the girl came to Crane to drop off the other man, who was going to work.

On the trip back from Crane, the girl said, the car ran out of gas, and they coasted to the side of the road, where they spent the night of July 3.

During the night she alleged the youth raped her. The next morning, unable to flag any car down for gas, she caught one coming to Odessa, and reported the alleged assault.

Crane officers went after Griggs and took him to the jail in Crane Saturday morning. Among his cell mates will be another man accused of raping an Odessa woman several weeks ago, and now awaiting trial.

Domestic-civilian expenditures of the Federal Government amounted to \$6.9 billion in 1948. The President has requested a total of \$12.2 billion for these items for 1951. This is an increase in Federal non-war expenditures of \$5.3 billion or 77 per cent in three years.

Grapefruit are so-called because they sometimes grow in clusters.



Greetings from the First Christian Church of McCamey, Texas:

We are announcing a Crusade for Christ which began June 13, 1950, and will reach its climax on August 20, 1950. On this Sunday sixty people will come forward to accept Jesus Christ as their savior. This is our "Day of Decision."

Something new about our church: Our Sunday School classes are unified and adapted to all age levels. We have a "Young Married Couples" class and a Men's class which is open to every man. Won't you come. Our "Christian Youth Fellowship" is active and growing. We also have a nursery to take care of the babies and small children. Make this your church home and come to church Sunday.

God bless you and keep you.

STEPHEN R. AVERY, Minister.



Mrs. Lawrence Bundy, 500 Buchanan, Topeka, Kansas

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The Bundys and their many relatives in Topeka find their telephones indispensable in keeping the family circle tightly knit.

Mrs. Bundy says: "We'd be lost without our telephone. It's like one of the family. And best of all from a recent five-day record of our calls, we found that it costs only about 2¢ for each call made and received. What a bargain!"

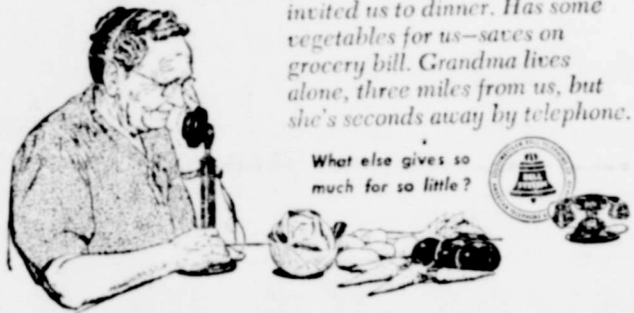
Yes, Mrs. Bundy, a real bargain—increasing in value each year as more telephones are added. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

One of the many calls listed in our 5-day record was from my MOTHER-IN-LAW. She wondered what our little Larry would like for his birthday. He'll be five next week.



GRANDMA WELLS called, invited us to dinner. Has some vegetables for us—saves on grocery bill. Grandma lives alone, three miles from us, but she's seconds away by telephone.

What else gives so much for so little?



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**CLOSE-OUT PRICES**

Two Groups of Men's Summer Sport Shoes and Loafers. Most all City Club Shoes. Out they go.

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Only Five Men's Summer Suits. Priced to Sell. Values To \$27.50, at **\$10.00**

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**3 for \$8.75**

**MEN'S SHORTS**

Boxer styles and tie sides. Not all sizes. To close out. \$1.25 Value

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# SPORTS COMPASS

BY Stan McClave

National Press and Radio Sports Commentator

Miami, Fla.—Congress can get away with an awful lot. It can tax us billions for peacetime armaments, yet not a peep out of Joe Doakes. It can filibuster some vital piece of legislation, without risking any appreciable howl from the voters. But occasionally a denizen of Capitol Hill will rattle off some apparently harmless piece of rhetoric, only to find it explode like an anti-personnel mine.

Such a violent explosion was caused in the hallowed halls of Congress recently when one of the duly-elected legislators . . . who shall mercifully remain unnamed . . . proposed to bar the use of the mails to entrants in a nationwide fishing contest "because fishing is purely a matter of luck, making the whole thing a lottery."

Luck indeed! Isaac Walton is clutching his famous copy of the Compleat Angler, must have turned over in his grave like a porpoise with acute indignation at hearing such an utterance.

Of course, when you're wading your line off an open party boat for hours and catching nothing but annul, the temptation is great to blame it on dumb luck if other people around you are managing to reel 'em in regularly. We were having just such thoughts here when Capt. O. L. Hawk, a former Florida boat captain and fishing guide, read our minds.

"Let's see your rig," he said. "Emmm, we're both using the same blood-worms. We're both casting into the same spot. I'm catching fish but you're not. The answer lies in your rig. Fish are

not the dumbest things in the world, you know. You've got a lot of hardware there on the string, close to your sinker. When the sinker moves through the water, it scares the fish away.

"Use a long piece of No. 9 steel leader wire. Use a smaller hook. That big one you have enables the kings to nibble the bait . . . just like eating corn off the cob."

We made the suggested changes, and when we got ready to call it a day, we headed home with a Ford full of fish.

Capt. Hawk had other tips for the "bad luck" fishermen. "If you're the unlucky one in a cluster of anglers, there is probably something wrong with your rig, bait or manipulation. Reel in occasionally and drop everything. Then stand behind a fisherman who is having success. Analyze his form, inspect his equipment. Keep an open mind and try to learn something. Most fishermen are too stubborn. They have their pet ideas and foolishly cling to them.

If Congressmen won't listen to a practicing expert like Capt. Hawk when he insists there is no such thing as utter fisherman's luck, perhaps they will permit the testimony of Samuel Eddy, professor of zoology at the University of Minnesota. Says the eminent educator, "Fishermen's luck is a negligible factor as compared with knowledge of fish feeding habits, methods of food detection and seasonal changes.

The question whether fish detect food by sense of sight, taste or smell is controversial.

Prof. Eddy explains that fish usually feed because they are hungry, although some strike because they are pugnacious. A male bass, for example, strikes at any moving object near its nest, whether it is hungry or not."



Stan McClave

## TEXAS BUSINESS ACTIVITY TALLENS ALL-TIME HIGH IN MAY REPORT

AUSTIN—Texas business activity reached an all-time high in May, as measured by the composite index of business activity compiled by the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. The May index rose 6 per cent from April to 213 per cent of the 1935-39 base period, with all components registering increases.

Urban building permits, adjusted for price change, soared 51 per cent from the previous month to a level almost six times as high as the prewar level. Crude oil production gained 5 per cent electric power consumption, crude oil runs to stills, and industrial power consumption 3 per cent each; retail sales adjusted for price change, 2 per cent; and miscellaneous freight carloadings, 1 per cent.

The boom in building continued in Texas during May, with the Bureau's seasonally adjusted index of building permits establishing an all-time high of 1098 per cent of the 1935-39 base period. The Department of Labor estimated that the number of new housing starts in April totaled 126 thousand for the United States, establishing an all-time record for the second consecutive month. The value of new construction in the United States increased in all categories during May.

The Bureau's index of sales of durable goods stores rose 7 per cent in May, a level 21 per cent above May 1949. Sales of automobiles, furniture, household appliances, and building materials continued at record-breaking levels.

The index of bank debits in Texas cities rose 6 per cent to set another all-time high, at a level 19 per cent above a year ago and 10 per cent above the highest point reached during 1948.

Industrial production in Texas showed the same pattern as other phases of business during May.

with the Bureau's seasonally adjusted index of industrial power consumption up 3 per cent from April and 12 per cent from May 1949. Runs of crude oil to stills rose 3 per cent over April but slipped 6 per cent below a year ago. Employment in manufacturing industries in Texas increased from 330,700 in April to 336,500 in May.

Income from the marketing of farm products rose 30 per cent in May after adjustment for seasonal variation, and for the first five months of the year income was 7 per cent above the same period of 1949.

The level of all commodity prices has turned upward with the increase in the demand for goods and services, and a certain amount of speculation on the prospects of inflation is appearing in the financial news. The sharp upturn in the wholesale price index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics measures in general the effect of these inflationary factors. The weekly price index rose steadily during May, and the estimate for the May monthly index is 156 as compared to 153 for April.

## Chandler Visitors July 4 Week-End Is Lots Of Fun For

Dear Folks: Just want to let all of you know that there were a lot of people in your area that "found something to do" over the July 4 week-end.

We had visitors from Presidio, Odessa, Fabens, Iraan, Sanderson, Carlsbad, N. M., McCamey, Ozona, Rankin, Sheffield, Crane and Big Lake down over the holiday period.

They all seemed to enjoy themselves, using our picknicking grounds, swimming pool, and fishing in Independence Creek and the Pecos River. You will be pleasantly surprised at our facilities and conveniences, and we want to let you know that you will be welcome and can't fail to enjoy yourself when you visit us.

We have a wonderful place for families, and for parties, to spend a quiet weekend just 30 miles south of Sheffield. Good all-weather roads.

(Signed) JOE CHANDLER, Chandler's Ranch.

## Upton Scouts Return From Jamboree On Monday Morning

Sonny Jacobsen returned Monday from Valley Forge, Pa., after a ten day trip, where he attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree. Sonny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Jacobsen of McCamey.

He was a member of Troop 39 which was composed of Scouts from Rankin, Crane, Big Lake, Texon, Ozona and Sonora. J. F. Kendrick of Crane was in charge of the troop.

Boys attending from Rankin were Charles Blue, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Blue, and Jimmy Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lee.

The boys journeyed to Philadelphia, Washington, D. C. New York and Niagara Falls, sight-seeing.

President Truman, honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America, opened the Jamboree session with an address on June 30. Also present were General of the Army Eisenhower and Gov. Duff of Pennsylvania.

Theme of the Jamboree was "Strengthen The Arm Of Liberty," and it was a part of the two-year old campaign to build the power of democracy.

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## REPORT OF CONDITION OF FIRST STATE BANK OF RANKIN

of Rankin, Texas, at the close of business June 30th, 1950, a State Banking Institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 776,997.36
United States Govt. obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,417,470.50
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	349,975.00
Corporate stocks (including \$3,750.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,750.00
Loans and discounts (including \$2,096.26 overdrafts)	785,813.66
Bank premises owned \$1.00, furniture and fixtures, \$3,996.00	3,997.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,338,003.52</b>

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,933,836.26
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	144,281.31
Deposits of United States Govt. (incl. postal savings)	24,250.89
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,041,580.94
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$3,143,949.40</b>
Other liabilities, Dividends payable 7-1-50	2,500.00

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	75,000.00
Undivided profits	56,554.12
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	10,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>191,554.12</b>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
	3,338,003.52

\*This bank's capital consists of:  
Common stock with total par value of \$50,000.00

## MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$1,148,400.00

I, D. S. Anderson, of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. S. ANDERSON.

CORRECT—ATTEST:  
H. F. Neal, Clay Taylor, J. P. Rankin, Directors.

COUNTY OF UPTON ss:  
STATE OF TEXAS )  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of July, 1950.  
(LS) LELIA K. WORKMAN, Notary Public.

## Rebekahs of Area To Hold Joint Meeting In McCamey, July 17

A joint meeting of the Rebekah Lodge of Crane, Rankin, Big Lake and McCamey will be held Monday, July 17, at 8 p.m., at the ROOF Hall, in McCamey.

Mrs. Mabel Patterson, President of the Rebekah Assembly of Texas, will pay an official visit at this time. A school of instruction will also be conducted. Members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish.

United States President John Tyler was the father of 14 children.

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- Served in World War I and World War II. Chief Prosecution Section War Crimes, Wiesbaden, Germany, 1945.
- Engaged in general practice of law at Plainview from 1920 until appointed to Supreme Court by Governor Jester in 1949.
- County Judge of Hale County 1923-1926. District Attorney 64th Judicial District 1927-1934, retiring voluntarily.

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## 38 Is The Average Age

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**TEXANS GO TO CONGRESS FOR THE FIRST TIME!**

HERE IS THE RECORD:

1st Congressional District in Texas—Wright Patman to Congress for the first time at 35. 2nd District J. M. Combs, at 55. 3rd District, L. Beckworth at 25. 4th District, Sam Rayburn, 31; 5th District, J. F. Wilson, 45. 6th District, O. E. Teague, 36. 7th District, T. Pickett, 46. 8th District, A. Thomas, 39. 9th District, C. W. Thompson, 37. 10th District, H. Thornberry, 39. 11th District, W. R. Poage, 37. 12th District, W. H. Lucas, 38. 13th District, E. Gossett, 37. 14th District, J. E. Lyle, Jr., 35. 15th District, L. M. Benson, 27. 16th District, K. M. Regan, 54. 17th District, O. Burleson, 40. 18th District, E. Worley, 33. 19th District, G. H. Mahon, 34. 20th District, P. J. Kilday, 38. 21st District, O. C. Fisher, 40.

**TEXANS KNOW A REPRESENTATIVE NEEDS TIME TO GET AHEAD IN CONGRESS**  
(It takes from 10 to 15 years to work up to positions of leadership in Congress).

Fred Hervey at 40 is the only candidate in the 16th Congressional race who has time to work up in Congress. (Paul Moss is 64. Ken Regan is 57).

Fred Hervey at 40 has the youth and vigor to work long hours in Washington.

Fred Hervey is the only candidate with no political obligation to any group, clique, newspaper or locality.

Fred Hervey has gone into businesses with which he has had no experience, applied business principles, and made a success. He successfully operates two grocery stores, seven restaurants, a 1300-head hog feeding business, a radio station, a reduction plant and a hide house. Government is just another business.

Fred Hervey has a liberal profit-sharing plan for his employees.

He has been a leader in Red Cross work for three years.

He is a veteran with 17 months service in the Pacific in World War II.

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# C. R. Patterson Presented Holmes Medal of Honor

C. R. Patterson, a production foreman in the McCamey district for the Shell Oil Co., was presented the Joseph A. Holmes Medal of Honor and Certificate at a luncheon given in his honor at the Petroleum Club in Midland on July 19. The presentation was made by Albert A. Munsch, safety representative of the U. S. Bureau of Mines.

Patterson received this high honor for heroic action performed Sept. 21, 1949. He closed a valve at the drilling head inlet following an explosion and fire when the well blew out.

During drilling operations, high pressure gas had been encountered. Heavier drilling mud had been prepared for the purpose of displacing the gas out mud in the well. While pumping the well full of the new mud a connection in the mud fill-up line failed, and released gas under the rig floor. Patterson, along with J. C. Smith, drilling superintendent for Shell's Midland area, and J. D. Moren, driller in the McCamey district, rushed under the floor to close a valve at the drilling head inlet. By this time a large amount of gas had escaped, which was ignited by an unknown source. The flash explosion knocked the three men to the ground. They all suffered severe shock and burns from first to third degree.

A slug of drilling mud forced from the well affected a momentary throttling of the fire. At

this time Patterson, despite his injury, got up and made his way to the well head and closed the valve, thereby extinguishing the flames.

This timely action by Patterson doubtless saved not only his own life but that of Smith, Moren and possibly others at the well site.

The Medal of Honor and Certificates are given in memory of Dr. Joseph Austin Holmes, the first director of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, to individuals, plants and groups of the mining metallurgical and allied industries for acts of heroism or outstanding safety records. The Joseph A. Holmes Safety Assn. was founded in 1916 by 24 national organizations to commemorate the efforts of Dr. Holmes in trying to reduce accidents and ill health in the mining and related industries and to promote the doctrines of safety and the conservation of life in these industries.

Those attending the luncheon in addition to Patterson and Munsch were: B. L. Ryan, area manager; M. C. Brunner, production manager; A. H. Vineyard, personnel and industrial relations manager of Midland, and K. K. McKinnon, district superintendent, and F. E. Stewart, drilling foreman of McCamey.

## Uncle Of Mrs. Stoker Is Killed In Wreck Near Mineral Wells

Bob Austin, 68, of Austin, uncle of Mrs. H. E. Stoker, was killed Saturday morning north of Mineral Wells in a head-on collision. He was said to be driving alone.

It was reported an infant in the other car was also killed at the time of the accident.

Funeral services for Mr. Austin were held in Austin Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock from the First Christian Church with burial in the Austin cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Stoker attended the funeral services, returning to their home in McCamey Tuesday.

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See Our Local Representative for Pecos County  
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FT. STOCKTON, TEXAS  
from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Monday through Saturday, or write Valley Vocational Schools, P. O. Box 535  
DONNA, TEXAS



Shown above at the Midland meeting last week when C. Patterson was awarded the Joseph A. Holmes Medal of Honor. (left to right) M. C. Brunner, Production Manager; A. A. Munsch, Safety Representative of the U. S. Bureau of Mines; B. L. Ryan, Area Manager; and H. K. McKinnon, District Superintendent of McCamey District.

## Regan's Political Is Briefed As July 22 Election Nears

It's probably the Irish in him, but Rep. Ken Regan is frank and gets to the point like a cowboy boot. The big, genial Irishman just doesn't know how to be a slick politician.

In his campaign for the State Senate in '33, Regan attended a political rally at which his two opponents arose one at a time and told of laboring hard in their youth on the farm. Each spoke effusively of "with my two hands I did this."

When Regan rose to speak, he said: "You folks have been hearing quite a bit about what my opponents have done with their two hands. Well, I raised some cantaloupes last year, and they cost me two dollars each. I sure can't farm, but I'll represent you well in Austin."

The crowd violated the no-applause rule and cheered. The next day he received the group's endorsement as their candidate.

Characteristic of his entire career, Regan went to the Senate and in his one term became the first freshman senator to gain the presidency of the upper House in Austin.

Regan refused a second term and retired to his business as an independent oil operator. But after ten years, he found that the political germ wasn't as dormant as he had thought. In 1947, he became the first Congressman in 30 years to represent the eastern end of the district. Two years later he was elected to a term of his own with a majority of 8,000 votes. Now he is running for his second full term.

Regan started out drilling teeth in Illinois and ended up by drilling for oil in West Texas. A short time in dentist school in Vincennes University convinced him that wasn't his work. Selling gave him an opportunity to meet a lot of people, and by the time he was 20, he had become sales manager of the company.

When war broke out, Regan volunteered for the Air Corps. He became a flyer and was scheduled to go overseas when the Armistice was signed. Despite be-

ing overseas, he volunteered for World War II. The American Legion gave him a special Award of Merit for distinguished service in the Air Intelligence Corps.

Along with a wartime friend, Regan came to West Texas in 1920 to drill for oil. The next 20 years brought plenty of ups and downs, but Regan achieved success as a wildcatter and independent oil operator in the Permian Basin he had long called home.

In Reeves County the blue-eyed Irishman satisfied his native yearning for land with farm and ranch land. Regan shipped the first carload of cantaloupes out of Pecos, and helped establish out-of-state markets for the famed Pecos melons.

Regan's ability as an organizer and leader was recognized when he was elected City Alderman and then mayor of Pecos. For the time, he ended his political career with one term in the Senate. With his characteristic energy and zeal, he sponsored 70 of the 700 bills passed in 1933.

The blonde legislator also wrote himself into the records by obtaining legislation and a \$500,000 appropriation to pay back to El Paso farmers the \$2 a bale cost charged to them for pink boll worm control. It was he who persuaded state officials to lease Galveston Bay for oil. The first leases alone brought in \$2,500,000 for the state school fund.

Representing not only the 16th District but all of Texas, Regan fought Federal acquisition of the State Tidelands. As chairman of the Mines and Mining sub-committee of Public Lands, Regan holds a strategic position if the issue is brought before Congress, as Attorney General Price Daniels has promised. Any bill for Federal control of the Tidelands would have to be referred to the Regan sub-committee before House action could be taken.

On this as on other issues, Regan opposes government control from Washington. He has said:

"I believe that America became great because of the basic belief lieve government as we know it should be centralized in Washington. I think the reins of gov-

## Views On Farm Program Expressed By McDonald

Veteran Commissioner of Agriculture J. E. McDonald has definite views on a national farm program.

He believes in a two-price system for marketing agricultural products—a full parity price for that portion allotted for consumption in the U. S., this allotment to be made in units such as bales, bushels or pounds and NOT in acres—and the farmer left free to produce in excess of American needs for sale in foreign markets at world market prices.

McDonald believes that each commodity should finance its own program.

"Cotton should finance the cotton program," McDonald explained, "wheat the wheat program, etc., making it unnecessary for Congress to appropriate funds out of the Federal treasury."

"This program would enable the American farmer to have purchasing power with which to live by American standards and, at the same time place him in the best position to maintain and extend foreign markets for our agricultural products, which is so essential for full employment on the farm and in the factory."

"Any farm program that does not benefit other essential American groups as it does the farmer himself will fail and should fail," according to the Texas Commissioner of Agriculture.

"Statistics show that only with a prosperous agriculture can we have national prosperity and full employment," McDonald said.

## McCamey Marine Off For 'Unknown Post'

Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. Brooks received word this week that their son, Pfc. Harold Don Brooks, who is in the Marine First Division, had left his base in San Diego for an undisclosed destination.

ernment should remain in the free hands of the people.


"I believe in States Rights. I believe that conservation and distribution of water in West Texas belongs in the hands of the State and in the hands of the people, as do the Tidelands. I desire return of power from the bureaucrats to the people."

Big Ken Regan knows the problems of West Texas. He has worked for years on the water problem. In behalf of Pecos Valley farmers, he went to Washington and helped get Red Bluff Dam built. The Pecos River Compact between Texas and New Mexico was signed by the President last year. The agreement for equitable distribution of the waters of the Pecos River originating in New Mexico culminated 25 years' effort on the part of Pecos farmers. Regan sponsored the bill.

In his talk as well as his legislation, Washington knows Ken Regan as a man from West Texas. He doesn't mince words but in the dialogue of the oil country puts over his point in a picturesque and persuasive manner.

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**Mrs. Dave Gentry Is Honored Here On Her 75th Birthday Sunday**

Children and grandchildren gathered in the home of Mrs. Dave Gentry on Sunday to spend the day on the occasion of Mrs. Gentry's 75th birthday. Dinner was served at noon.

Attending the family gathering were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacobs with Paul and Joyce from Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Gentry and Barbara and Sharon from Sherwood; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holbert Hoover, George Washington, Marlene and Gentry of Rankin; Mrs. Dee Locklin, Ronnie

and Bill of McCamey; Mr. Mrs. Sam Alvin Holmes from pine, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene mes and Stevie from Fort S ton.

More states in the U. S. names which originated from dian words than from any language.

Animals with long legs have long necks in order to their food without bending knees.

With possible exception of Hoover, George Washington was the United States' wealthiest President.

**From where I sit... by Joe Marsh**

**There it Was— Right in The Middle!**

Easy Roberts mowed his lawn early last Saturday. Then he sat on the porch, and watched Handy Peterson cutting his grass.

The Roberts' property and the Peterson's border each other—with no hedge or fence between them. So when Easy notices Handy had left about a four-foot strip unmowed along the boundary, he walks over and asks why.

"That's your land," says Handy. "Mine ends here. See, it lines up with that oak tree across the road!" Easy didn't think so, so they went up and down looking for the surveyor's marker. Where they find it? Right in the middle of their "no man's land!"

Well, they both grin and turn finishing the job and then treat to Easy's for a friendly glass of beer together. From where I sit a little searching around for the truth of the matter often shows that the other fellow is as much right as you are—at which point the whole thing doesn't seem important anyway.

Joe Marsh

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