

## Red Devils Rehearse District 6B Loop Play

Twenty-eight Red Devils, including nine returning lettermen, reported to the gridiron this week to begin the task of producing the first eleven-man team in five years for Rankin High School.

Following two seasons of six-man Regional Championships, the boys are in high spirit and anticipate the opening game with Loan Sept. 12 when they try their new legs.

In predicting ahead for the season, Coach Joe Scrivner and D. L. Jones see a rough road for the Devils. According to Scrivner, the "Demons" will have a mediocre starting line but will be weak on reserves. They will probably be outmanned in most games. When asked about the task of changing from six- to eleven-man football, he said, "It's going to be plenty tough. In fact, the change-over will more than likely affect us until near mid-season. At that time we should develop our maximum strength."

Among the returnees are two-time All-District men, Norman Yocham and Bruce McCain, and last season's smooth quarterback, Jimmy Yocham.

Others include Murray McCain, Don Murphy, Joe Ellis, Edward Ward, Gentry Holmes, and Joe G. Linton.

Already practice sessions have been sifted to the top such bright prospects as Wallace Gary, Eddie Dimple, Dwaine Lindsey and John L. Schlagal.

It is still early to say what any team may be able to do. At present it looks as though Yochams may run too deep in the backfield as three McCains anchor the line with Bruce and Murray at ends and Gene at center.

## Baptist Church Holding Revival Meeting Soon

A revival meeting will begin at the First Baptist Church in Rankin on Sunday, Sept. 14, and run through Sunday night, Sept. 21.

Rev. J. H. (Jim) Goins, pastor of the Bellview Baptist Church at Midland, will be the evangelist.

Rev. Goins is well known in this section of Texas as a very forceful preacher of the gospel. He has led revival campaigns in many churches, and has had a wide experience in the field of evangelism.

The Bellview church at Midland has had a remarkable growth under his leadership. It has grown to be one of Midland's leading churches in about two years.

Edwin Dabbs of Dallas will lead the singing. Mr. Dabbs is a graduate of Howard Payne College in Brownwood. He also graduated from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, with a Bachelor of Sacred Music degree. He had private voice instruction for 14 years. He has been an evangelistic singer for eight years, was a chaplain's assistant in the U. S. Air Corps for three years and he has served as Minister of Music and Education in Texas churches.

Mr. Dabbs is called the Singing Evangelist because he frequently preaches the gospel through song. He is a capable baritone soloist, and an able musician. He is highly recommended by Dr. J. D. Riddle, head of the Department of Church Music of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He is associated with the Department of Church Music at Dallas.

Special services will be conducted twice daily at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m., Sept. 14 through the 21st.

Rev. R. L. Shannon stated the public is cordially invited to attend these services.

## Aggies Get Together For Barbecue Sept. 6

A Texas A&M Barbecue and Get-together, headed by Chancellor Gilchrist, will take place in Ft. Stockton Saturday, Sept. 6.

The event is being sponsored by the Pecos County A&M Club and the Big Bend A&M Mothers Club. Talks will be given by Chancellor Gilchrist, Vice-Chancellor D. B. Williams, Col. Andy Anderson, A&M Track Coach, and Walt Dabbs, A&M track star who was win-

Sanderson is favored for the 6B championship this year with Rankin bringing up the rear. Last year they copped the bi-district championship and have most of their lettermen returning for this season. The Devils clash with them Oct. 3. Other strong contenders for lead of the seven-team district include Fabens, Ft. Hancock and Van Horn.

Missing from Rankin's '52 line will be Paul Johnson, George Broyles, Loyd Yocham and Elbert Echols, all valuable starters who graduated last spring, and Dan Treadwell, who moved away.

Rankin's schedule for the 1952 grid season follows:

Sept. 12—Lohn	Here
Sept. 19—Ft. Hancock	Here
Sept. 26—Clint	Here
Oct. 3—Sanderson	There
Oct. 10—San Angelo "B"	Here
Oct. 17—Van Horn	Here
Oct. 24—Grandfalls	There
Oct. 30—Midland "B"	Here
(Thursday)	
Nov. 7—Fabens	There
Nov. 13—Pecos "B"	Here
(Thursday)	
Conference Games	
All Night Games	
Van Horn Home Coming	

## Seniors Organize; Choose Officers

Senior class organization was complete in Rankin High School this week as class members chose officers and sponsor. In cooperation with other classes, they also selected the annual staff for the coming term.

In class meeting, Miss Laura Whittenburg was chosen sponsor for the group as Wallace Gary was selected for president. Billy Munsell will serve as vice-president. The secretary and treasury posts went to Claudine Chandler and Nola Boyd, respectively. To handle public relations, Esther Clark and Mayetta Higgins were chosen as reporters.

Bruce McCain was chosen to head the annual staff and Rell Gambelin is to be Assistant Editor. Bobby Wyatt is the new business manager and Ann Shaw is assistant to that position.

Sophomore and freshmen delegates to the staff have yet to be selected. Both Gambelin and Shaw are junior representatives. Head photographer for the publication will be Esther Clark.

## Funeral Conducted For Monroe Infant

Funeral services for Linda Sue Monroe, four-day-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. N. Monroe of Midland, were conducted at 11 a. m. Monday at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Shannon of the First Baptist Church of Rankin presiding.

The child was born August 27, and died Sunday in a Midland hospital.

Survivors are the parents and a brother, Terry, of Midland, and the grandparents, Mrs. Zack Monroe of Rankin and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lee, also of Rankin.

## Rankin Scouts To Earn Money For Jamboree

Scoutmaster Ted Hogan has announced that he will urge Scouts to begin now to save in order to attend the National Jamboree next summer.

Plans are being made, he said, for the Rankin Troop to earn its way to the Jamboree.

## Rankin P-TA To Meet

Rankin Chapter of the Parent-Teacher's Association will meet Tuesday afternoon at 3:15.

Visitors of the R. L. Bell's last week were Tommy Tolliver of Plainview and Miss Beverly Morrow of Midland.

At home now are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Bell, Jr. and son Tommy Lee.

## SAFETY INSPECTION IS YOUR PROTECTION



The Texas Department of Public Safety records show that 2,546 citizens were killed on Texas highways in 1951. About 13 per cent or 300 of these deaths involved defective cars and trucks. The Texas Motor Vehicle Inspection Law is aimed at reducing this 13 per cent by getting all motor vehicles in safe operating condition. Motor vehicle inspection will tell the automobile owner whether or not his car is in safe operating condition. The Texas Safety Association urges you to have your car inspected now—before the Sept. 6 deadline.

## Guys and Gals Twirl At Back-To-School Dance

Some 125 high school and college students attended the Back-to-School dance held at the Park Building in McCamey Saturday night.

Out of towners attending included students from Crane, Rankin and Iraan.

They danced to slow and mellow, as well as hot and jivey, tunes of Van King's Orchestra from Odessa. All students were dressed in semi-formal attire, the girls in smart formals, the boys in suits and some in uniform.

Refreshments were provided throughout the dance by the members of the Adult Youth Council.

## 2 Rankin Businesses Burglarized Thursday

Two burglaries were reported Wednesday in Rankin when Rankin Food Mart and the Hogan Motor Co. were robbed.

Ted Hogan stated that the robbery at his place must have occurred early Thursday morning because he was there working late until 1:30 in the morning.

The papers were rited in his office, some savings bonds among the papers were not taken. The money stolen amounted to about \$120, and was noticed when the coke money was discovered missing. No merchandise has been missed.

The Rankin Food Mart was entered through a rear window. The change was taken out of two cash registers and a small amount of merchandise was taken.

The wires leading to the compressors of the freezer units were cut, leaving the store without refrigeration.

However, the boxes were still cold when an employee discovered the break-in upon opening the store at 7:45 a. m., Thursday.

No further details were available on either case at press time.

The Highway Grocery, owned by A. McDonald, was burglarized a few weeks ago and at that time large quantities of cigarettes were reported taken.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Smith and children returned Sunday from three months spent in Maine.

## School Begins With Record Enrollment As Teaching Staff Falls Two Short

Enrollment figures reached the 524 mark during the first week of the 1952 school term, falling just 16 short of last year's seasonal peak, and topping all previous years in students enrolled. This includes 329 in the first six grades, 77 in Junior High School, and 118 in High School.

According to H. Still, Superintendent, there are two vacancies yet to be filled. Needed is a teacher for both the eighth and fifth grades.

At present the almost new staff of teachers includes first grade teachers, Mrs. H. Shiller and Mrs. Beatrice Hodges with 39 beginners. Fifty-three second graders will be tutored by Miss Lavada Shannon and Mrs. R. L. Wall, while Mrs. Betty Spence and Mrs. Jo Show-

ter undertake the 63 in the third grade. For the 58 in the fourth, Mrs. Wynema Little and Mrs. Joan Martin; 53 in the fifth will have Miss Mary Hurn and at present Substitute Mrs. M. C. Duer; and 43 sixth grade students will follow Mrs. Theresa Hurn and Miss Margie Chilcutt.

Mr. Jack Skiles and Mrs. Joe Scrivner are seventh grade teachers with 40 students between them, and Mrs. Oleta Bloodworth has the entire 37 eighth graders while awaiting another teacher.

E. E. Stewart is grade school principal; Mrs. Irene Underwood is public school music teacher, and Mrs. H. E. Eckols is health nurse.

R. L. Wall is the new high school Principal and his staff includes: D. E. Jones and Joe Scrivner, so-

cial sciences; W. H. Martin, English; Robert Spence, science and math; Miss Laura Whittenburg, business; Ray Showalter, band; and Mrs. Marjorie Campbell, librarian. Mrs. Jack Skiles is secretary to Mr. Still. Home economics teacher Miss Patsy Taylor also serves in the capacity of dietician for the cafeteria.

Head cook is Mrs. Katie Rhea Reams, assisted by Mmes. Gibbs, Perry and Ward.

Student meals are 35c, while adult meals are 45c. Meal tickets are available by the week or by the month.

The two janitors are R. O. White and H. Shiller. There is still a vacancy to be filled in the caretaking staff.

## 3 Rankinites Among Holiday Injuries

All three members of the W. O. Adams family were slightly injured when their car overturned about five miles from Rocksprings on the Sonora highway Monday morning. Both Mr. and Mrs. Adams and son, Kyle, were treated for scratches and bruises by a Rocksprings physician before continuing to Rankin where they are convalescing in their home here.

According to Mrs. Adams, the car struck a steer as it ran in front of them, and overturned three complete times. She and son Kyle were thrown from front to back seat but W. O. remained at the wheel. The car was a total loss.

## New Church Organized

The Colored People of Rankin met on Aug. 17 at 3 p. m. and organized a new Baptist Church. Rev. T. J. Hollins of Crane was the moderator.

The members of the new church all had letters from the Crane Mt. Zion Baptist Church. The members voted to name the church the New Hope Baptist Church. They called Rev. A. D. Robinson to be their pastor for full time. The new church voted to adopt the Church Covenant and the Articles of Faith as given in Pendleton's Manual. They also voted to cooperate with the Southern Baptist Convention in its program of work.

Mrs. L. D. Hollins acted as clerk. The First Baptist pastor assisted as an advisor.

The new church started with seven members in a one-room shack but they are seeking to buy a lot and build or move a building on it. The First Church plans to help them get a building suitable for their needs. This is an opportunity to do some real missionary work at home. They will need our help until they can get started in their work. They have requested our prayers for them. They are fortunate in having a preacher, A. D. Robinson, living here in Rankin.

## McKelvey's Have Guests

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. McKelvey had as weekend guests in their home, their daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Rose, Mr. Rose and little grandson, Kerry Lynn.

The Rose family live in Durango, Colo., having moved there from Midland some time ago.

## TO FUNERAL SERVICES

Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. M. J. Edwards and Mrs. W. A. Hudson attended funeral services in Midland Monday for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zackie Monroe.

## HOLMES HAS SURGERY

Commissioner Sam Holmes is in an El Paso hospital, where he had eye surgery last week.

He was reported Wednesday as recuperating satisfactorily.

## MIDKIFFS TO KERRVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Midkiff and daughter, Carolyn, moved last week to their home in Kerrville, which they recently purchased.

## Services Scheduled In New Church Building Sunday At 10:00 A. M.

The North Side Church of Christ of Rankin will meet for the first time Sunday morning at 10 a. m., Sept. 7, in the new church building.

The new building is located just across the street east of the High School.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

## Explosion Damages Billy Gray Home

Leaking gas, which evidently ignited from a water heater or stove pilot light did considerable damage early Wednesday to the house recently purchased by Billy Gray, Shell Pipe Line employee, from Earl Jordan.

The Jordans moved to Barnhart on Saturday and the Grays moved into the dwelling on Sunday. Throw-rugs throughout the house caught fire but most of the damage was confined to the kitchen. The explosion occurred about 3:00 o'clock Wednesday morning. Mr. Gray first went out through the garage and turned off the butane gas and then extinguished the flames.

The dwelling is located in the new East Rankin Addition.

## Speer Boy Receiving Polio Treatment

Travis D. Speer, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis F. Speer of Crane and formerly of Rankin, is receiving polio treatment at Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

The child became ill last Wednesday.

## Mrs. Poage Hosts The Wednesday Bridge Club

Members of the Wednesday Bridge Club were guests of Mrs. Walton Poage in her home Wednesday afternoon. Three tables were in play. Mrs. Harry Howard won high and Mrs. Ross Wheeler low score.

Others attending the party were Mrs. J. Lane, Mrs. Dunn Lowery, Mrs. Hamp Carter, Mrs. Max Lewis, Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. C. G. Taylor, Mrs. Walton Harral, Mrs. W. J. Pollard and Mrs. J. P. Rankin.

## Hilltop Service Station Opening On Saturday With Free Dance

The Hilltop Service Station will have its formal opening Saturday, Sept. 6, winding up the opening activities with a free outdoor dance beginning at 8 p. m., announced C. H. Jones, owner and operator of the station.

The station is on the Midland Highway, one mile north of town. Featured will be Gulf products, with special prices Friday and Saturday of this week. The station will open from 6 a. m. until midnight daily.

Free lollypops will go to all the kids who come by with their parents. Music at the dance will be by Big Red and his string band.

Jones has been in Rankin since December of last year and formerly operated the Casey Jones Trailer Park. He foresaw the need of a service station on the north end of town and immediately set about to build one. He is married and has a son, Bob.

## P-TA PROGRAM

The first program of the year in the Rankin Parent-Teacher Association is announced as follows:

Leader, Mrs. Ralph H. Daugherty, Mrs. Don Cochran will give the devotional preceding discussion of the topic, "Appreciating Our Neighbors."

Mrs. Burk, public school music teacher, will furnish music and Mrs. Ross Wheeler will welcome the new faculty members.

A business session conducted by president, Mrs. Walton Harral, will follow the program.

The meeting will be held at 3:15 Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 9, in the elementary school auditorium, and it is hoped there will be a large attendance of parents and teachers.

## W. S. C. S. Committee Meets With Mrs. Harral

The program committee of the Methodist WSCS met with Mrs. Walton Harral in her home Thursday morning to outline the year's program for the society's two circles.

Those attending the coffee-business meeting were Mrs. Fred Miller, Mrs. S. H. Boyd, Mrs. Hamp Carter, Mrs. Max Lewis, Mrs. D. O. McEwen, Mrs. A. B. McGill, Mr. Harold Congdon and Mrs. Harral.



Governor Allan Shivers being presented with a service of "Texas Bluebonnets" plates by Porfirio Salinas, Jr., the artist who painted the landscape reproduced. "Texas Bluebonnets" plates will be sold by various women's organizations throughout Texas to raise funds for their various civic and welfare projects.

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Prices and Wages Move Together

Many of the complaints about high prices stem from too limited a perspective. We see the price tag on some article and kick about it—but we fail to take into consideration the great rise in the income of the average family that has accompanied inflation.

Since 1939 the total number of dollars in circulation has tripled. When increased productivity on the farm and in the factory is balanced against this fact, we find that there are nearly twice as many dollars per unit of goods as there were then. So each of those dollars buys only about half as much in the way of goods.

But most of us have many more fifty-cent dollars to spend than we had 100-cent dollars in the old days. The result is that, in the majority of cases, purchasing power has actually risen even more than prices.

Meat is a good example. Considerable consumer resentment has been expressed against current levels of meat prices. Yet a short time ago a Senate committee reported that the average manufacturing employee can buy as much round steak and 29 per cent more pork chops with an hour's wages than was possible in 1947-48. It further reported that this average worker can buy more of all the important foods with an hour's wages than in any earlier peacetime period, including 1935-39 and 1925-29.

The point is that there is a very definite relationship between prices and average wages and family incomes. As a general rule, they rise or fall together.

Grass Roots Opinion

Oskaloosa, Iowa, Daily Herald: "It will be a great day for this country when a man's freedom of choice as regards union membership is as zealously guarded by labor leaders as they guard the right to strike."

Dover, Del., State News: "While the Federal Government is aggressively carrying on a campaign for comprehensive and liberal social security, it has been undermining the foundation of the program by diluting the purchasing power of the dollar through deficit financing during 18 of the past 21 years. By following unsound fiscal policies, the government is making it increasingly difficult for the American people to provide for their own security, and this in turn compels them to turn to the government for aid."

Emporia, Kans., Gazette: "All of us today are suffering from too much 'taking away' and none of us like it. The next pay envelope or pay check you receive will reveal what we mean. Take a look at the amount of Federal withholding tax which the government tells your employer must be 'taken away' from your earnings and the shrunken condition of your take-home pay, and you'll join with everybody—even with the Demo politicians, the big city machine bosses, the New and Fair Dealers, the Palace Guard and the social planners in hollering loudly, 'Don't let 'em take it away!'"

Somerset, Penna., Daily American: "It is time that the line should be drawn between Americans who believe in individual liberty and those who believe in human slavery; those who believe in freedom and those who believe in government controls, those who follow the precepts of the Founding Fathers, and those whose eyes turn towards Moscow."

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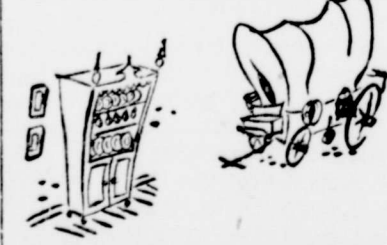
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Choice butcher cows and heiferish kinds cashed at \$17 to \$18.50, mediums \$14 to \$17, canners and cutters \$8 to \$14.

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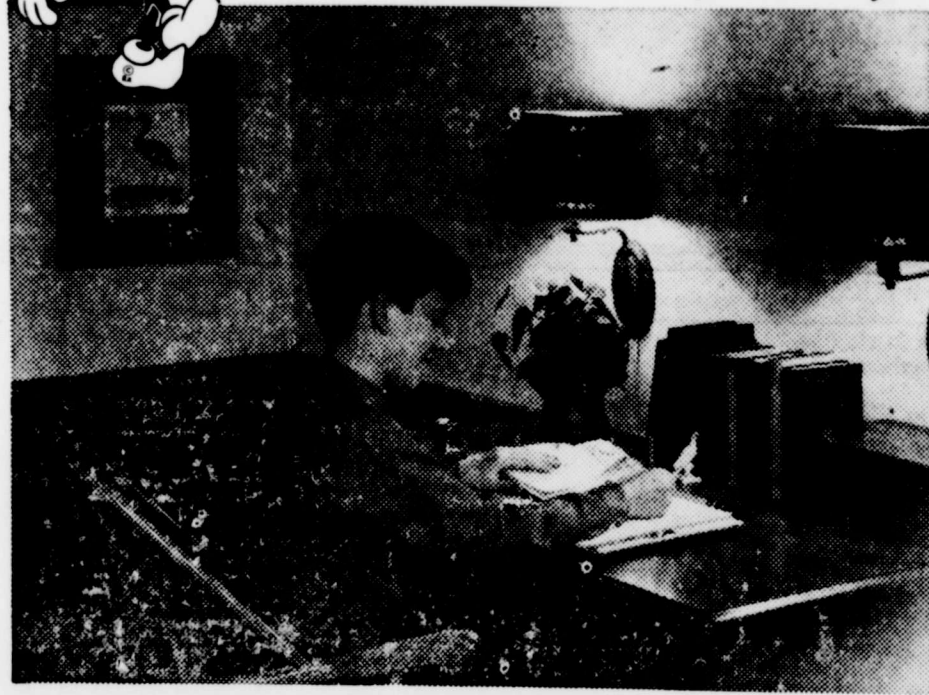
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# Oil Hunters Face Big Odds

**HOW OIL MEN PLANNED AND MADE THE SEARCH THAT FOUND OIL IN THIS REGION**

(NOTE: Recent oil discoveries have aroused wide interest in this entire region as a potentially important oil-producing area. Since oil is no newcomer to the family of natural resources here, we have planned a series of articles, in collaboration with the exploration and production department of Shell Oil Co., telling how an oil field grows; who looks for oil and how the search is made; how land is obtained for drilling; how wells are drilled; how oil, if it is found, is moved to refineries that turn it into more than 1,000 products; and finally, just what an oil "boom" means to a community. This is the first article in a series of six.)

The current oil play in this region is the climax of a far-reaching game of scientific hide and seek that oil men have been playing with Nature hereabouts for several years. Oil men have been seeking petroleum, which their studies indicated should be present. And, until a few months ago, Nature has been hiding it, with disheartening success.

But the oil men stuck to the job, in spite of the odds against them—nine to one against finding oil in "unproved" territory. A single well may cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, and may turn out to be "dry holes." But every one contributes to the oil men's knowledge of the area.

After a lot of disappointments in the search, exploration experts working in an office hundreds of miles from the nearest well began a new study of the rocks obtained from the dry holes. They built up new geological maps, and, piece by piece, they constructed a new picture of the region—a picture that warranted the great expense and painstaking effort of an additional field study.

First came the surface geologists, who scoured the area for clues to the deep underlying strata by studying the surface outcroppings. The scientists measured the slope of rock layers, chipped off samples for later study in the laboratories, and gathered other data to add to the picture.

These men were followed by the seismic crews—the "earthquake makers" who blast secrets from the earth with dynamite. Traveling in a caravan of trucks, they moved across the area to be searched along a line that had been surveyed by still other crews. On one truck the seismologists had a miniature drilling rig that bored holes about 150 feet deep at regular intervals along the line. Another truck carried small recording instruments that the field men call "jugs," which were planted about two feet deep at regular intervals along the line.

Then the oil hunters ran cables from the "jugs" to recording instruments. Finally, from another truck carrying dynamite, they took a charge, lowered it into the hole and exploded it. They then moved farther down the line and repeated the process.

But why use dynamite in seeking oil? The reason is simple. Each blast starts a miniature earthquake whose shock waves go deep into the earth, strike rock formations, and bounce back to the "jugs." The "jugs" pick up the reflected waves and transmit them to the recording instruments (seismographs) from which they emerge as wiggly lines on photographic paper. The time it takes for the waves to go down and back tells how deep the formations are and what they are shaped like. The nature of the returning waves helps depict the formations that reflect them. So each shot of dynamite adds more detail to the portrait of the underground formations and helps show the places where oil may be found.

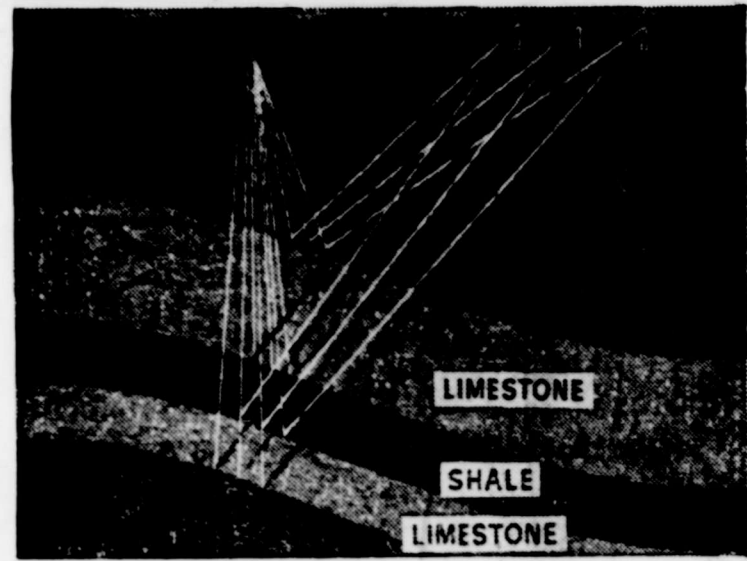
When the seismographs finish surveying an area, they replace the fences opened to let the caravan through, smooth the land, and fill the shot holes with cement and earth. This completes the agreement they had made with the land owner who gave them permission to make the search.

The seismic crews work fast, covering miles of ground every day in all kinds of weather. They use bulldozers in removing obstacles or clearing away snow. They live in heated trailers equipped with bunks, lights, showers, and plumbing. They have a truck-mounted kitchen providing good hot meals. If necessary, they can live on the range for weeks, completely cut off from the outside world.

The seismic study was far from the end of the search. Seismologists sent records of their shots to a central exploration laboratory.



Scenes such as this are repeated many times as oilmen explore new areas with dynamite. The explosion sends shock waves into the earth. Reflected from formations far underground, the returning shock waves help oilmen get a better description of structures favorable to the accumulation of oil.



Here's what the dynamite does. Exploding in the hole at the left, it sends shock waves down through various layers. As the waves strike each layer, some bounce back to receiving instruments—called "jugs"—buried in shallow holes at the surface (right). The time it takes for waves to return tells the depth of the formations. The character of the returning waves indicates the type of formations that reflect them.



A familiar sight to oilmen exploring new territory is the long strip of photographic paper on which the returning shock waves are recorded as wiggly lines.

There, other oil hunters analyzed them, compared with reports from other seismic crews, reports from the surface geologists and other sources.

Gradually, by sifting, culling and re-examining clues, they narrowed the search to the most promising localities.

Now the oil men were ready to make the big decision. They knew it might cost as much as \$500 to drill one well. They knew the odds were at least nine to one against finding oil, in spite of their scientific research. Even so, they decided to drill.

But first, they had to acquire the rights to use the land. The next article in this series will tell about the oil men who leased the land, and how they reached agreements with the land owners.

## SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

Santa Fe carloadings for week ending Aug. 23, 1952, were 24,030 compared with 23,603 for the same week in 1951.

Cars received from connections totaled 13,244 compared with 12,917 for same week in 1951.

Total cars moved were 37,274 compared with 36,520 for same week in 1951.

Santa Fe handled a total of 36,882 cars in preceding week of this year.

A minor may patent his inventions.

Homonyms are words that sound alike.

A bissextile year is leap year.

Chirography is the art of handwriting.

A patronymic is a family name.

The garnet is a semi-precious stone.

Ad lib means "at pleasure."

The Amazon is the widest river in the world.

Seeing-eye dogs are trained at Morristown, N. J.

Turtles do not have teeth.

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## IT'S THE LAW in Texas

### "DEED OF TRUST" SECURES REAL ESTATE NOTE

In most cases the seller wants the cash when the buyer buys the house. Then the problem to the buyer is how to raise the money? The answer is, borrow it. Regulation X of the Federal Government requires the buyer to have a certain amount of his own money on hand for payment on the house, if it is not older than a certain age. However, even as to houses not under Regulation X, the buyer should have some cash of his own.

One item common to all loans is the promissory note. In this note, the buyer promises to repay to the lender the amount of money borrowed. Of course, the borrower agrees to pay the lender some interest for the use of the money.

The rate of interest can be as high as 10 percent and still be legal in Texas, but most lenders today charge about one-half of that rate. The rate of interest is usually lowest on those loans that are insured by an instrumentality of the Federal Government, such as Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and Veterans Administration (VA).

A note usually provides for the sum of money being re-paid to the lender in installments—monthly installments probably being most common. This portion of the note is very important to the borrower as he does not want the installments to exceed the amount he can afford to pay.

On the other hand, the borrower does not usually want the installments to be too small. Small installments mean that the principal is re-paid very slowly and, therefore, over the life of the loan, the borrower pays more interest.

In regard to re-payment, if the note contains a provision enabling the borrower to pay the loan in part or in full prior to the maturity of the note, ("payment privilege"), then the borrower can use his extra cash to reduce his indebtedness. Also, a liberal prepayment privilege may be very useful to a borrower if and when he desires to sell his house.

In order for the lender to have something to fall back on in case the borrower does not fulfill his promise to re-pay the money, most borrowers are required to place a mortgage on the house and lot they are buying. In Texas, the mortgage instrument used is a "Deed of Trust," a complicated instrument.

In its essentials, it is a conveyance of the real estate by the borrower to a third party ("trustee") for the benefit of and as security for the lender. If the borrower defaults in the payment of the note or defaults in the performance of certain promises made in the Deed of Trust, then the Trustee is authorized to sell the property and apply the proceeds to the satisfaction of the borrower's debt to the lender.

A free pamphlet containing useful information on legal problems involved in buying a home has been prepared by Texas lawyers. To obtain a copy, merely print your name and address on a post-card and mail to State Bar of Texas, Austin 15, Texas.

(This column, based on Texas law, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who knows

## THE LOW DOWN from HICKORY GROVE



I been working my slide rule pretty much, all week — tryin' to arrive at a date when the income tax man will have a heart. That guy dips in deeper and deeper. My slide rule don't give me any good omen on a probable early date—but I am keeping at it.

But there is one thing we been blaming on Old Spentown that is not altogether Old Spentown's fault. We get together in hamlet and city and holler for help from the Govt. We want matching U. S. A. dinero to help on everything from dredging the harbor to bigger and fancier swimming pools. We wert Recreation and Playground directors. Our skirts are not unsoiled. And to get personal—right here at home, in Hickory itself—it oozes with a convention of playground and barn dance professors and directors. And all of these barn dance professors and directors—all of 'em—are right there on our tax bill—yep, yours and mine.

And from many angles we carry on queer-like and non-thinking. If we are a barber, we know as well as we know our name that Sambo as Head Barber would be a flop. But take the very technical job of making kilowatts, we open the door to Govt. The Govt. pays no taxes, ever—on anything. Our thinking needs a general overhaul if taxes are ever to simmer down. From barber shop to kilowatts, Sambo is an expensive menace—not fitted for the job. His job is umpire.

Yours with the low down,  
JO SERRA.

The Great Pyramid is 485 feet tall.

"Fine gold" is pure gold.

Solder is an alloy of lead and tin.

Mohammed is buried at Medina, Arabia.

The thighbone is the largest in the body.

Mercury is the swiftest moving planet.

Lincoln was the tallest of U. S. Presidents.

the facts, because the facts may change the application of the law.)

## Vets Questions With Answers

Q: I am the widow of a World War II veteran, and I am receiving GI insurance payments at a certain rate each month over a period of ten years. My husband chose this method of payment because it seemed best at the time. I find, however, that I need a good-sized sum of money immediately. May I be paid the rest of the insurance in one lump sum?

A: No. GI insurance may be paid in a lump sum only when the insurer veteran himself has made that selection.

Q: I am a World War II veteran suffering from a non-service-connected disability. I went to VA and was told that I might be hospitalized—if I waited for a bed to become available and was unable to afford private treatment—but that I could not get outpatient treatment. Why is that?

A: The VA is not permitted by law to give outpatient treatment for non-service-connected disabilities. On the other hand, a veteran may be hospitalized for such a disability if a bed is available and if he can't afford treatment elsewhere.

Q: I have been attending college, on my own, ever since my discharge in May, 1952. Now that the Korean GI Bill has been passed, may I put in a claim to collect

money for at least part of my expenses since last May?

A: No. Under the new law, payments may not be made for any training taken prior to Aug. 20, 1952.

Q: As the widow of a World War II Veteran, I am drawing both VA death compensation and payments under the GI insurance carried by my late husband. I am planning to remarry. Will VA cut off both payments?

A: Your compensation payments will be discontinued upon your remarriage because, under the law, death compensation is payable only to an unmarried widow. But your remarriage will not affect the payment of your insurance. You will continue to receive the insurance checks.

Charlie Chaplin was born in England.

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