

# THE RANKIN NEWS

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## Upton Wildcat Scheduled To Go To 3,500 Feet

Rebol Oil Co. and E. G. Rodman Odessa have filed application to their 1 Radford Grocery, a tract in southern Upton County miles east of McCamey.

The prospector will be drilled cable tools to 3,500 ft. Drilling was to have begun Dec. 17.

Location, on a 640-acre tract, is 10 ft. from south and west lines of GCSF, Cert. 4816.

The test is 2 1/2 miles NW of production in the Crockett field, which produces from the Grayburg of the Permian at about an average depth of 1,370 ft.

It is 2 1/4 miles WSW of Frank George Frankel 1 Uni., plugged and abandoned Nov. 24, 1948, at a depth of 1,840 ft. The Yates topped at 1,660 ft., and the Grayburg at 2,654 ft. on elevation 2,390 ft.

Champlain Refining Co. of Enid, Okla., has filed application to drill 2 1/2 J Uni. 7-8-mile SE of production in the Benedum-Spraberry field of Upton County.

The test will be drilled with rotary to 7,500 ft. Drilling will begin when permit is approved.

Location, on a 164.9-acre tract, is 1,980 ft. from north and 660 ft. from east lines of 5-3-Uni. It is 10 miles NE of Rankin.

Cities Service 1-B Noelke Upton County wildcat in 4-A-MK&T, was bottomed at 6,882 ft. and plugged back to 5,740 ft., where casing was cemented.

The project flowed out part of the load oil and acid residue after operator treated perforations between 5,684-91 ft. with 3,000 gallons of acid, then the flow died.

Operator was continuing to swab. Cities Service 1-AR Uni., wildcat, C NE NE 3-58-Uni., was drilling below 9,210 ft. in lime and shale.

Humble Oil and Refining Co. 1 Corbet, Upton County wildcat in 21B2GC&SF, bottomed at 6,300 ft. in lime and preparing to drill stem test.

On a 45-minute drillstem test between 6,209-230 ft. recovery was seven feet of drilling mud, no shows.

On a 30-minute drillstem test between 6,229-60 feet recovery was five feet of drilling mud, but no shows.



Norman Rockwell, America's most famous illustrator, is shown talking with the models he used to paint one of the pictures appearing on a 1953 calendar devoted to Ford Motor Company's fiftieth anniversary. He found these models among his neighbors in Arlington, Va. Posing at left is the late Henry Ford, when he was a watch repairing boy of 10 years, is Robert DeBlock, 12, seventh grade student at Arlington Memorial school. Rockwell chose Bernard Cullinan, custodian at the Arlington school, to depict a neighbor visiting Mr. Ford's work shop.

## Upton Road Improvements Announced By Engineer

State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer announced last week the State Highway Commission has recently approved a program of work in Upton County to be carried out during the next two years. Greer stated that finances that will be available over this period of time are from combined Federal and State funds.

Selected for improvement by the county officials and the Texas Highway Department is State Highway 51, extending from U. S. High-

way 6, four miles west of Rankin, south to the Crockett County line, a distance of approximately 7.4 miles.

Also selected for improvement is a Farm-to-Market road from State Highway 349, seven miles north of Rankin, east to end of F. M. 1555 at Reagan County line, a distance of approximately 10.6. This road is to be a two-lane, dustless surface.

Upton County will furnish all required right-of-way free of cost to the State.

## Eastern Star School Of Instruction Jan. 5

An Eastern Star School of Instruction will be held in the McCamey Park Building next Monday morning, Jan. 5, 1953, at 8:30 a. m. Honored guests will include Mrs. Mildred Garlitz, Worthy Matron of the Grand Chapter of Texas; Mrs. Katherine Poulis of San Antonio, Grand Examiner of District 5; Mrs. Betty Payne of Austin, District Deputy Grand Matron, District 5, and Mrs. Estelle Herral of Rankin, Deputy Grand Matron, District 5, Section 2.

All Eastern Star members are invited to attend.

## 1953 March of Dimes To Be Launched Friday

The nation-wide drive for funds for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will officially begin Jan. 2, 1953.

Mr. J. T. Wade, who is permanent chairman for Upton County, has announced that the quota for the county is \$3,000. This represents a quota of 30c per capita. The population of Upton County, according to the Chamber of Commerce, is 10,000.

Mr. Ross L. Smith serves as the permanent treasurer for the county. J. E. Pinkerton is campaign chairman, Mrs. Nancy K. Daukherty is city campaign director for Rankin, and Mrs. A. L. Ohlenburg is city campaign director for McCamey.

Various civic organizations are being asked to assist with the March of Dimes in McCamey and Rankin.

It is hoped that every person in the county will have an opportunity to participate in this current campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Shaw are in town from their ranch in Brewster County. They report a half inch of rain fell there last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Ledger of Crosbyton visited friends in Rankin last week. Mr. Ledger is a former teacher of the Rankin Junior High School.

## Sealed Bids On Farm-To-Market Road To Be Accepted At Austin

Sealed bids will be received at the Highway Department in Austin until 9 a. m. January 13, 1953, for construction of the Farm-to-Market Road 305.

This badly needed link between McCamey and the Bakersfield Valley farming district has been under discussion for the past year. The Commissioners Court of Upton County has furnished free to the Texas State Highway Department the right-of-way described to the Court in June; the Farm-to-Market road that is now generally used, being the route that leaves Farm-to-Market Road 305, passing by the Country Club. The additional 30 feet that was necessary for the right-of-way for the proposed road has been granted, to be taken off the west side.

Plans and specifications are available at the office of James W. Whitson, Resident Engineer, in Ft. Stockton and Texas Highway Department in Austin.

After bids are received they will be publicly opened and read.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Day, Jr., and Debbie visited with his parents in Ralls last week.

## Formal Dance Held In Park Building For Rankin Youth

One of the nicest parties ever given for the youth of Rankin was the Holiday Formal dance on Dec. 23 at the Park Building. It was sponsored by the Youth Council, with Mrs. Preston Patton in charge.

Card tables with red, green and white cloths and centered with Christmas candles were placed around the floor to cut down its size and to give a candle-lighter effect. Tex Collins and his band—a local band—furnished music.

Refreshments of fruit cake, whipped cream and fruit punch were served at a white laid table with a center piece of green, crystal and white.

The party honored Rankin college students.

Mrs. Patton was assisted by Mr. Patton and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Yocham and council members who were present.

Attending the Wink and Deer Park football game were Mr. and Mrs. Murry Mezin, Gene and Mary Lou McCain, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Langford, Charlie Campbell and Don Vickers.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sweptston have returned from a visit with relatives in Sherwood and Ozona.

## GIRL SCOUT NEWS

**TROOP NO. 1**  
Pat Dishman, Reporter  
The girls of Troop 1 met Monday, Dec. 22. This was the last meeting in the year of 1952. During the past year we have tried to live up to our laws and promises. Sometimes we found it hard to do so, but we tried.

Our leader, Mrs. D. O. McEwen, has been very faithful. We elected Patrol Leaders. They are Kay McEwen and Pat Dishman. Both Patrols are working together on our Community Badge. We are working on becoming First Class Scouts.

A hike was planned for Saturday, Jan. 3. The girls are going to give \$60 to the Little House Fund. We wish to thank everyone who made Christmas wreaths and cards.

## L. Stephenson Entertain Employees With Turkey Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Stephenson entertained their employees of the Motor and Chemical Co. of Rankin at the Motor and Trucking Co. of Lake with a turkey dinner. Following the dinner, gifts were exchanged and dancing was enjoyed. About 50 guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McGill attended a family reunion on New Year's Day in San Angelo, given by mother, Mrs. A. A. McGill.

Miss Hellen Herral of Carlsbad, N.M., has been visiting with the Herral family.

## Red Devils To Play Iraan Here Tonight

The Red Devils will play Iraan tonight in the local gym. First game starts at 6:30.

The Devils will play Ozona Saturday night in the local gym, first game starting at 7.

## Workmans Entertain Family Christmas Eve

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman were hosts in their home on Christmas Eve to members of the family for dinner and a Christmas party. Seasonal decorations in silver and white with arrangements of holly were used throughout the house and following dinner, gifts were exchanged around the Christmas tree.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Workman, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Workman, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller, all of Texon; Mr. Miller's mother of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. David Workman and children, Cathy Ann and David Mitchell of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. McCormick, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Workman and Darlene; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Grimm, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman, all of Rankin.

## Rankinites Spend The Holidays In Kansas

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Stephenson and children; Mr. and Mrs. George Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Merriman and son; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Beebe and Jerry, and Mr. and Mrs. George Bean and son spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Arkansas City, Kans.

## Mrs. Eddleman's Mother Dies In San Angelo

Funeral services for Mrs. Lula Belle Haskins, 85, mother of Mrs. Otha Eddleman, were held in Wortham Monday at 2 p. m. in the First Methodist Church, with Rev. Roy Davis officiating.

Mrs. Haskins died in a San Angelo hospital at 2:15 Dec. 28. She had moved to McCamey from Wortham 2 1/2 years ago. She was born March 23, 1867, in Wheelock.

Survivors include 3 daughters, Mrs. Joe Thornton of Wortham, Mrs. J. W. Carter of Tehuacana, Mrs. Eddleman of McCamey; two sons, Tom of Wortham and W. A. of Tehuacana; a brother, J. A. Oden of Blackwell; 18 grandchildren; 35 great grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren.

## REPRESENTATIVE OF SOCIAL SECURITY TO BE IN McCAMEY 2ND MONDAY EACH MONTH

An announcement was made today by Jack Calvert, manager of the Odessa office of the Social Security Administration, that the dates of regular trips made by a representative of his office to McCamey have been changed to the second Monday of each month, beginning in January, 1953.

A representative of the Odessa Social Security office will be in the post office in McCamey, Jan. 12, at 1:30 p. m. to assist local residents in filing applications for old age retirement benefits, and for survivors to file applications in cases where the worker has died.

This travel service is also planned to give first-hand information to employers, employees and others on social security matters which cannot be satisfactorily handled by mail, Calvert said. Applications for Social Security cards can be obtained from the local Post Office. The completed applications should be mailed to the Social Security Administration, Odessa, Texas. It normally takes about one week for account number cards to be issued, Calvert reminded.

## Watch Party Enjoyed By Rankin Youth

The New Year was ushered in with a Watch Party, followed by recreation at the Park Building on New Year's Eve by the young people of Rankin.

The Watch Service was held at the Baptist Church with about 50 young people and a number of adults attending.

Rev. R. L. Shannon, Baptist pastor, presided. Mr. J. S. Everett led the sing-song with Don Cochran at the organ.

Rev. Cochran, Methodist pastor, gave the New Year message. Following the service, refreshments of doughnuts and spiced tea were served.

Following the Watch Service the young people and their chaperones went to the Park Building where Mr. Joe Scrivner directed games. Forty young people were present at the Park Building. Mrs. Walton Herral was hostess and served refreshments in time for the group to attend the midnight matinee.

## Fashion Authority To Discuss Sizing, Design, And Color



MRS. JANE SCOTT

Upton County women will have an opportunity to attend a special program presented by Mrs. Jane Scott from the Simplicity Pattern Co. at the Rankin Park Building on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 2:30. Her program will include a demonstration on how to determine the correct size pattern for various adult figures, a prime requirement for a well-fitting garment. Mrs. Scott herself is an example of a half-size figure.

Other subjects of interest to be included in her program will be styles becoming to various figure types and suitable fabrics and colors for each. She will also show new types of fabrics and will give a resume on recent cotton, rayon, wool and fiber development.

Mrs. Scott has had extensive experience in the educational field during the past twelve years and is now introducing this new service program for women's groups. She will use various types and sizes of patterns made up into material and have them modeled to illustrate her program, which will be entirely on an educational basis and not a selling program.

In addition to this work, Mrs. Scott is official hostess for the company receiving educators, clothing specialists, and home economists from all over the world when they visit the work rooms and design studio of the company. She also serves as liaison person between the New York Board of Education and the Pattern Company.

Upton County women are fortunate in having this representative in Rankin and the Upton County Demonstration Clubs who are sponsoring the program hope that everyone will take advantage of the opportunity.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Warren had as their holiday guests, their granddaughters, Jo and Barbara Brown of Alpine.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Yocham had as their guests during the holidays, Mr. Yocham's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Yocham, of Dallas, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Yocham of Quemada.

## FORD THEATRE

RANKIN, TEXAS  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 2 AND 3  
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PLUS SECOND FEATURE

Van Johnson - Patricia Neal in

"WASHINGTON STORY"

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, JANUARY 4 AND 5  
GREGORY PECK - ANN BLYTH in

"THE WORLD IN HIS ARMS"

TUESDAY ONLY, JANUARY 6

Guy Madison - Ray Mala - Gloria Sanders in

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**GRASSROOTS OPINION**

Corvallis, Ore., Gazette-Times: "It should be remembered, real cuts in federal payroll will have to come from a reduction of services for which Congress has appropriated monies. If people will do with less 'gimmie' from the government, and are sincere in their irritation at too much governmental interference in their lives, and will dispense with much of it, then substantial cuts in federal employment will soon follow."

Carlsbad, N. M., Current-Argus: "One thing can be said for George Meany, the new president of the American Federation of Labor. He was one of the first leaders of American labor to see the threat of Communist domination of labor unions. In 1945 in England, Meany addressed the British Trades Union Congress and denounced a Russian-sponsored plan to set up a World Federation of Trade Unions."

International Falls, Minn., Daily Journal: "An official auxiliary of the United States Air Force, Civil Air Patrol, promotes aviation training . . . The fine traditions and service record of CAP date back to the perilous early stages of World War II, when thousands of civilian volunteers took to the air in small planes to patrol America's shorelines. Today the organization has more than 76,000 active senior and cadet members, practicing good citizenship and learning the meaning of service against a background of aviation training."

**Questions And Answers**

Q: I am a disabled Korean veteran and I plan to take some training under Public Law 16. How much training am I entitled to get? Is it based on my length of service?

A: You will be permitted to train for as long as is necessary to become rehabilitated up to four years; that is, to the point where you are able to hold down a job in the field for which you trained. Length of training under this day is not based on length of military service.

Q: I interrupted my training under the World War II GI Bill to go back into military service. I've just been discharged, and I find that I am eligible for training under the new Korean GI Bill. Must I take my training under the new law, or would I be allowed to resume my training under the old GI Bill?

A: If you meet all the eligibility requirements for training under both GI Bills, you could take your training under either program.

Q: I am a totally disabled World War II veteran. I want to convert my National Service Life Insurance term policy to some permanent plan of insurance. Is there any limitation because of my disability?

A: Yes. You may convert your term insurance to straight life, 20-pay life or 30-pay life. You may not convert it to any of the endowment plans, while you are totally disabled.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Alvin Holmes and son, Tommy, of San Antonio, spent the holidays with Mr. Holmes' parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave McKelvy spent the holidays in Houston and Fort Arthur with relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Don Cochran and children spent the holidays with relatives in Dallas.

**Make Audit Of Your Physical Assets And Liabilities**

AUSTIN.—If you have not had an audit made recently of your physical assets and liabilities, go to your doctor now and have it done, is the advice of Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, to the grown-ups in Texas.

It is quite as important to check on your physical resources as it is to look into the state of your financial possessions. By regular care under your physician's directions, you can conserve your physical assets and avoid an accumulation of destructive liabilities.

Everyone starts with a certain amount of physical capital and as a personal business proposition it is worthwhile to preserve. In infancy and childhood, our physical resources, as a rule, are safeguarded for us. As we grow older, the responsibility for doing so rests upon the individual. The critical period for many comes in middle life with the sudden realization that the physical capital is yielding diminishing returns in the way of physical well-being.

The records of health departments and of insurance companies show that from 10 to 15 years have been added to the average length of life. But the same records show

**Vic Vet says**

UNREMARKED WIDOWS OF CERTAIN DECEASED VETERANS MAY QUALIFY FOR GI LOANS. THE CERTAIN VETERANS ARE THOSE WHO SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II OR SINCE KOREA AND WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF THEIR SERVICE



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that a majority of the deaths are due to degenerative diseases of middle age.

Nearly all of these diseases have slow beginnings and their onset discovered through physical examinations before they gained serious headway. Early detection, adjustment of physical expenditures and better budgeting of activities under a physician's direction will help shift the balance from the unfavorable to the favorable side of the ledger.

**This Monkey Business**

Three monkeys sat in a coconut tree,

Discussing things as they are said to be.

Said one to the others, "Now, listen, you two,

There is a certain rumor that can't be true,

That man descended from our noble race.

The very idea is a disgrace.

No monkey ever deserted his wife,

Starved her babies and ruined her life;

And you have never known a mother monk

To leave her babes with others to bunk,

Or pass them on from one to another.

Another thing you will never see,

A monk build a fence around coconut tree,

And let the coconuts waste,

Forbidding other monks to go

Why, if I should build a fence around a coconut tree,

Starvation would force you to go from me.

Here's another thing a monk would do—

Go out at night and get on a gun

Or use a gun or club or knife

To take another monk's life.

Yes, man descended, the monkey cuss,

But, brother, he didn't descend from us."

—By A. B. Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Harmitak and children of New Jersey are visiting in the home of Mrs. Harmitak, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beal.

**DR. J. M. SLAUGHTER**

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POTATOES, 10 Lb. Bag . . . . . 57c  
APPLES, Delicious, Lb. . . . . 15c  
CARROTS, Cello Bag, 2 for . . . . . 25c

TIDE, DREFT or CHEER, Giant . . . . 69c  
CRACKERS, Sunshine; Lb. 21c; 2 Lbs. 39c  
HEINZ BABY FOOD, 3 for . . . . . 25c

WAPCO WHOLE No. 303 Can  
**Green Beans 19c**

WHITE SWAN Lb. Can  
**Pork & Beans 10c**



**McCAMEY HOSPITAL NOTES**

Mr. Ray Goldberg, accident, admitted Dec. 11, still here.  
 Charles Lee Springer, small son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Springer, accident, placed in cast, admitted Dec. 3, discharged Dec. 31.  
 Mrs. Blanche Perkins, medical, admitted Nov. 27, still here.  
 Antonio Corona, accident, admitted Oct. 27, still here.  
 Mrs. W. J. Bond, medical, admitted Dec. 15, discharged Dec. 20.  
 Dolores Sue Springer, medical, admitted Dec. 15, discharged Dec. 17th.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Domingo Luna, McCamey, became parents of a baby girl born Dec. 29, at 7:15 p. m.

he baby weighed 6 lbs. 11 ozs., and has been named Maria Elia. Mother and baby discharged Dec. 22.  
 Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Villegas, McCamey, became parents of a baby girl Dec. 21 at 5:30 p. m. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 5 ozs. and has been named Virginia. Mother and baby discharged Dec. 24.  
 Mrs. Tom Brumett, McCamey, medical, admitted Dec. 21, still here.  
 Mrs. Fred Welling, Rankin, admitted Dec. 21, discharged Dec. 23rd.  
 Mr. Frank Falps, medical, admitted Dec. 21, discharged Dec. 24.  
 Joe Dunn, small son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dunn, tonsilectomy, admitted Dec. 22, discharged Dec. 23rd.  
 Mrs. Raymond Hudson, McCamey, admitted Dec. 23, discharged Dec. 24.

Mr. Harold Harison, Ft. Worth, medical, admitted Dec. 24, discharged Dec. 24.  
 Mr. W. A. Barber, Iraan, accident, admitted Dec. 24, discharged Dec. 24.  
 Mr. L. J. Fenton, medical, admitted Dec. 25, discharged Dec. 29.  
 Mr. L. D. Wright, medical, admitted Dec. 2, still here.  
 Mr. Marvin Jones, Stanton, medical, admitted Dec. 29, still here.  
 Mrs. Lamarr Jackson, admitted Dec. 29, still here.  
 Su Dell Ford, 9 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Ford, tonsilectomy Dec. 30, still here.  
 Harvey Kubena was a business visitor in Iraan Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Holloway and children of Shell Camp were called to Alabama on account of the sudden death of Mr. Holloway's father.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Workman, who has been ill in the Big Lake Hospital, has been dismissed from the hospital and is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Oleson and son, Gene, of San Angelo, were visitors in the Frank Parr home during the holidays. Mrs. Oleson is Mrs. Parr's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robbins had their children as guests in their home for Christmas. The visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Robbins and sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Moore and children, all of Pecos County.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ellis of Fort Worth, and Norma Jean and Johnnie Ellis of Comanche, visited their aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Rains, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Russell and daughter, Cindy, moved from the Slick-Urschel Camp at Benedum Field to Abilene, Kans., this week. The Russells came to Rankin from Kansas about three years ago.

**REASON, NOT LAW, DETERMINES REFUND OR EXCHANGE ON RETURNED GOODS**

The season for returning Christmas gifts to stores for exchange is now upon us. Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible about this annual American pastime, but before getting into any arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that determination is more in order than depends for adjustment.  
 Department stores are under no legal obligation to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy to do so, and because they are required to, according to the State Bar of Texas.  
 However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no more legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the

store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it did not want to sell them after all.

Suppose you buy a coat in one store and find that another company has it on sale for five dollars less. Must the store where you bought it take back the coat and give you a refund, or refund the difference in price? The seller is under no obligation to refund the difference, any more than he could make you pay the difference if he discovered that a competitor offered the same coat at a higher price than he had charged for it. Usually the seller is permitted to set his own price, but ceiling prices and other regulations restrict this right in some lines.

Much the same rules apply to the refund of deposits. Unless it is the policy of a store to refund deposits on articles, or at least apply the amount on the purchase of some other item, the buyer is obligated to go through with the terms of the contract, even though he has changed his mind about the purchase.

When one selects, orders and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under no obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to accept the article or pay the remainder of the purchase price, the seller can take legal action against him, according to the terms of the contract.

The same principles apply to a trade-in allowance on used merchandise towards the purchase of a new article. Such a trade-in allowance is considered the same as a deposit.

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

It is rumored that one's cheerfulness is largely a matter of one's income being above one's outgo.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Word and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Gibson and family of Odessa spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Rains.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Foster spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. Foster's parents in Plainview.



**IT'S A NEW YEAR... and a New Opportunity**

A New Year . . . a fresh start . . . an opportunity for all West Texans to join together in working for a prosperous, peaceful, and a happy new year. We — of your electric service company — are glad of the opportunities the new year offers us for more and more service to you. Early in the year we will complete the installation of three new generating units — providing an additional 100,000 horsepower of electric energy for your use. Yes, we welcome this new year as a new opportunity to serve you!

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