

THE RANKIN NEWS

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RANKIN, UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1953

Mrs. F. E. Rankin, Upton Pioneer, Is Buried Wed.

Funeral services were held in Midland Wednesday for Mrs. F. E. Rankin, 91, pioneer resident of Upton County, who died in a Midland hospital Monday.

Services were conducted in the Newell W. Ellis Funeral Home, with Dr. R. Luther Kirk and Rev. Clyde Lindsley officiating. Interment was in the Fairview Cemetery at Midland. Arrangements were under the direction of the above funeral home.

Mrs. Rankin was born in Bedford County, Tenn., and came to Texas 55 years ago. She has lived in Upton, Tom Green and Midland Counties.

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4-H Judging Team Wins Dist. Honors At Alpine Contest

The Upton County wool judging team made up of Bud Poage, Wayne Kenemer, Emmitt McGill, and Stanley James, won second place in the district contest in Alpine April 18.

The team total score was 710, but the Crockett County team won the contest with 721.

Bud Poage was second high individual with 273 points. Eddie Smith from Sonora was first with 274 points.

This second place sends the Upton team to the state judging contest which will be held in June.

The livestock judging team, made up of Gentry Holmes, Sam Helmers, and Archie Higgins, was seventh in their event. Gentry Holmes was 4th high individual of the contest.



LIONS RECEIVE CHARTER—George W. Spence, district governor of District 2-T-2, Lions International, is pictured above as he presented the charter to Ted Hogan, president of the recently-organized Rankin Lions Club. The occasion was the charter night banquet staged April 20 at the elementary school cafeteria. Over 100 persons attended, including representatives from the sponsoring Iraan Club, and other nearby Lions Clubs.—(Staff Photo).

Voters Approve \$360,000 Park Bond For Rankin

Katherine Secrest P-TA Elects New Officers For Year

The Katherine Secrest Parent-Teacher Association met in regular session at the Elementary School Auditorium on Tuesday, April 14, at 3:15 p. m. with Mrs. Walton Harral presiding.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Carl Keyes gave the report of the executive committee meeting and recommended to the general body that a Texas life membership be presented to Mrs. Leola Hurn. The recommendation was accepted.

The annual reports of the officers and chairmen were given and filed with the secretary, Mr. R. L. Wall gave the report of the nominating committee and the following officers were elected for the school year 1953-54:

Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, president; Mrs. Chris Bieri, first vice president; Miss Lavada Shannon, second vice president; Mrs. Preston Patton, third vice president; Mrs. H. E. Eckols, secretary; Mrs. Jack Skiles, corresponding secretary; Treasurer, Mrs. Walton Harral; Historian, Mrs. Alvin Bushong, and parliamentarian, Mrs. Leola Hurn.

Mrs. W. A. Hudson was the program leader and gave the program topic "The World at Our Hearstone." Discussion of the topic was good and was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. J. W. Kennedy and Mrs. Chris Bieri gave reports of the annual Sixth District Conference that was held in Eldorado in March.

Mrs. Dee Locklin of McCamey District vice president of Upton County and Crane Counties, was a guest.

Announcements were made, and the tri-county Council will meet at Fort Stockton on Wednesday, May 6 at 10 a. m. with Mrs. John Meneff presiding.

Mrs. H. G. Stinnett of Plainview who is Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers State President, will install new officers and conduct a school of instruction for all officers. All new officers are urged to attend Luncheon will be served at noon at the school cafeteria.

Mrs. Joe Scrivner lead the Parent-Teacher prayer, after which refreshments were served in the cafeteria by Mrs. Jeff McSpadden, Mrs. Henry Scharbrough, Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Mrs. Jimmy James, Mrs. B. J. Howard, Mrs. O. L. Phillips, Mrs. Horace West, and Mrs. M. C. Duer.

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Winning by a margin of 28 votes, the \$360,000 park bond issue was approved by Upton County voters last Saturday when 650 persons went to the polls.

Rankin residents voted 217 to 20 in favor of the issue, while McCamey voters balloted 251 to 124 against the bonds. Absentee ballots were five against the proposition and three for.

Only about half of the eligible voters in either city turned out for polling. The total eligible voting strength was nearly 1,300.

The voting, listed by boxes, was as follows:

	For	Against
Box 1, Rankin	162	10
Box 2, Rankin	104	8
Box 3, Plymouth	11	2
Box 4, McCamey	89	120
Box 5, McCamey	5	14
Box 6, McCamey	30	147
Absentees	3	5
TOTAL	344	306

Approval of this bond issue is expected to mean a new water supply for the city of Rankin. The park bond issue was designed to alleviate the serious water shortage facing that city. The proposition came about after the water district formed more than a year ago, was defeated when it was recently contested in the 112th District Court. Judge Garland Casebier was to have officially entered his verdict against the district this week.

The election was set by the Commissioners Court about four weeks ago after citizens of Rankin petitioned the court for aid after learning of Judge Casebier's intention to rule against the water district.

The bonds are expected to purchase an estimated six to ten wells, four and one-half miles of pipeline from sites northeast of Rankin, necessary reservoirs, pumps, vehicles, buildings, office supplies and other equipment necessary to develop and operate a water system adequate to meet the needs of the county parks and the city of Rankin.

The primary purpose of such a park bond issue is a statutory provision enabling a county to develop a source of water necessary to maintain park installations. A secondary provision permits the county to sell surplus water over and above the park needs if such a water supply provides a surplus.

The bonds approved are to be paid off by a special tax levy to retire such bonds. The election order provided for such levying and collection of taxes.

Present intentions, according to reports, is to spend the bond money necessary to develop a source of water which would be adequate to provide the city of Rankin.

There was no provision made for spending any money left over. A detailed breakdown of the expenditures to be covered by the \$360,000 bond money has not yet been made public. The proposition as presented to the commissioners court, was engineered by the firm of Hasie and Green of Lubbock.

Nancy Jackson of Dallas is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Eades, this week.

Bell Telephone Employees Stage Social Here Tues.

Employees of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. of Rankin had a social get-together Tuesday night in the plant room of the Rankin telephone office.

Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Rita Vickers and Miss Mattie McDonald.

Those attending were Mrs. Berella Schlager, chief operator; Mrs. Fay Terrell, evening chief operator; Mrs. Rita Vickers, senior operator, and Miss Mattie McDonald, 10 grand-children, Mrs. Ruth Pittman, Miss Effie Lois Ferguson and Mrs. Joe Snow, all operators.

Mrs. Black Honored With Bridal Shower

Mrs. Jack Black, the former Letta Higgins, was honored with a bridal shower Friday, April 24 at the Park Building.

Mrs. Melvin McEwen presided at the register, Esther Clark and Mrs. Harry Yocham served punch and cake to the guests with Nola Boyd at the piano.

The table was laid with a white network cloth centered with spring flowers.

The gifts were displayed on two large tables.

Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames Murry McCain, B. B. Brown, S. O. Langford, Allan Moore, Ralph Daugherty, Elizabeth Gaines, Dave McKelvey and Sam Holmes.

Mrs. Black's mother and aunt, Mrs. P. R. Black and Mrs. Black of Odessa, attended the shower.

Girl Scout Troop 5 Elects Slate of New Officers

The Methodist Youth Fellowship selected their officers for the new year starting in May on Sunday night, April 26.

President, Hubert Hurn, vice-president, Billie Jean Jones; secretary and treasurer, Amaryallis Harrell, commissions, Coxy Wheeler, with McGill, Floyd Abrams, Norman Adams and Barbara Harral. They also discussed the banquet in honor of the seniors, which they are giving Sunday night, May 1.

Mrs. Clint Shaw is visiting in Pasadena this week.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Omar Warren, Rankin, medical, admitted April 13, dismissed April 23.

Bill DeBusk, accident, admitted April 13, dismissed April 23.

Mrs. H. A. Steadman, readmitted April 14 after treatment in San Angelo hospital, getting along nicely, still here.

Mrs. Margaret Brown, medical, adm. April 20, still here.

Mrs. J. M. Garner, medical, adm. April 22, dismissed April 23.

Mrs. B. J. Whitefield, Iraan, medical, adm. April 22, dismissed April 24.

Mrs. W. B. Jones, Crane, medical, adm. April 22, dismissed April 24.

Mrs. C. M. Chambers and baby girl, Judy Clyrene, dismissed April 25.

Mrs. Don Cook, medical, adm. April 23, dismissed April 26.

Mrs. J. R. Corbell, Rankin, adm. April 27, dismissed April 28.

Billy Huffman, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Huffman, fell while playing in the yard, causing a large laceration under his chin. Eight stitches taken. He received emergency treatment at the McCamey Hospital.

CONGRATULATIONS: Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Boerm of Rankin became parents of a baby girl April 25 at 12:50 a. m. She weighed 5 lbs., 9 ozs. and was named Sharon Kay.

IN GOLF TOURNEY W. M. "Dub" Day and Russell Morris of Rankin took the consolation in their respective flights at the Iraan Invitational golf tourney in Iraan last Sunday. Day was in the seventh flight and Morris in the tenth flight. Other players from Rankin were Ted Hogan and Mr. Goodwin.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell enjoyed last weekend fishing at Buchanan Dam.

Highlights and Sidelights FROM YOUR State CAPITOL
By VERN SANFORD

Texas Press Association AUSTIN.—The legislature seemed ready to boost teacher salaries last week. Already the Senate has voted a \$600 increase for teachers. The House moved in the same direction.

Where is the money coming from? That's a good question—the one that kept the House from taking on the teacher pay increase.

On Second Reading, the House passed a \$600 a year pay raise for the teachers. Then heard Representative Lamar Ziveley of Temple, sponsor of the measure, say, "Whoa, slow down. We've got to pass a tax bill."

The Legislators have passed a General Appropriations Bill, providing for the expenditures of the state for the next two years.

That bill takes up all the money in sight. If the State is going to spend any more money, there will have to be new taxes to raise it.

The State now guarantees teachers minimum pay of \$2,400 per year. The bill being considered by the Legislature would give them \$3,000.

To do that, there would have to be additional state revenue of something like \$60 million to \$70 million for the next two years.

One prospect for getting the money was a tax on gathering natural gas. That tax was passed by the last session of the Legislature, but was challenged by the gas companies, and is now being tested in the courts.

If the tax is found to be constitutional, the Treasury will get about \$45 million. That would be enough to start the program for increased teachers' pay.

But if the Legislature passed a pay boost for the teachers without providing the money in some manner, it would, as Gov. Allan Shivers has said, be an "empty gesture."

Opposed to the Zivley Bill was Representative Joe Burkett of Kerrville, who said, "This proposition has started off all wrong. I'm opposed to this Legislature telling the school boards you can't hire anybody unless you pay them what we tell you."

Burkett argues that "The people up there in my county in the Forks of the Creek know better what's good for them than anybody in this Legislature."

Burkett is author of a bill that would repeal the Gilmer-Aikin Law.

"The Gilmer-Aikin Program, the foundation fund, is socialism from the beginning," Burkett said at a committee meeting.

Under the Gilmer-Aikin Program, the state guarantees a basic standard of education to every child, regardless of whether he lives in a poor or a rich district.

Girl Scout Troop 1 Elects New Officers

Girl Scout Troop No. 1 met at the Park Building, Monday, April 27. New officers were elected. They were, president, Rovena Langford; vice-president, Martha Murphy; secretary, Mary Lou McCain; treasurer, Pat Dishman; social chairman, Jan Daugherty; reporter, Kay McEwen; and patrol leaders, Beverly Reed and Geraldine Kretzinger.

They discussed having a baseball team this summer. The girls decided to have a weiner roast at the park next Monday and play ball.

Refreshments were served by Rovena Langford and Jan Daugherty to the following members, Pat Dishman, Mary Lou McCain, Martha Murphy, Glenda Kennedy, Kay McEwen, Geraldine Kretzinger, Rachel Broyles, and one visitor, Patsy Stephenson.

Pat Dishman and Kay McEwen will serve at the next meeting.

Soil Conservation District Week To Be Observed May 3 To 9

The week of May 3 through 9 has been proclaimed "Soil Conservation District Week" by Governor Alan Shivers.

In observance of soil conservation district week, the Trans-Pecos Soil Conservation District has made arrangements with ministers in towns of the District to observe "Soil Stewardship Sunday" on May 3rd. On this date attention will be called to our God-given responsibility as stewards of the soil and the relation of our soil to the people of the church.

Plans have also been made for two field tours, one in the vicinity of Fort Stockton on May 6 and one in the vicinity of Bakersfield on May 7, to observe conservation irrigation systems on some of the farms cooperating with the Trans Pecos Soil Conservation District.

All farmers and others interested in conservation are invited to make these tours. Tours are being sponsored by the local district.

Soil Conservation Service technicians, assisting the Trans-Pecos Soil Conservation District have assisted the landowners in planning and applying these conservation systems. Systems have been designed, based on the kind of soil and water available to make the most efficient use of irrigation water and to improve the productivity of the soil, thus making more economical returns to the farmers while using the land properly and treating the land in accordance with its needs. This is conservation farming in the true sense. Those who desire to go on the tour Wednesday, May 6 will meet at the Soil Conservation Service Office at Gibbs Field, Fort Stockton at 2 o'clock. The tour at Bakersfield will begin at Bakersfield at 2 o'clock on Thursday, May 7.

Vocational agriculture classes at Ft. Stockton and Iraan are being invited to make these field tours.

Extension Service Is Home Demo Topic

The Rankin Home Demonstration Club met in regular session on Thursday, April 23 in the Park Building with Mrs. Chris Bieri, president presiding.

During the business meeting it was decided that the open meeting in July would be held in someone's home for a demonstration on making drapes, with our leader, Miss Myrna Holman, instructing.

The program for the day was given on "The Texas Agricultural Extension Service Today" by Mrs. C. W. Elwood, program leader, Mrs. Chris Bieri and Mrs. John Kidd.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Jim Kennedy, hostess, to the club members and Mrs. Charlie Justice and Mrs. Uruel Justice, who were visitors.

Our next meeting will be held May 14, in the Rankin Park Building, with our agent giving a demonstration on how to make lamp shades.

The public is invited to attend.

WSSCS Meeting Held Monday At Church

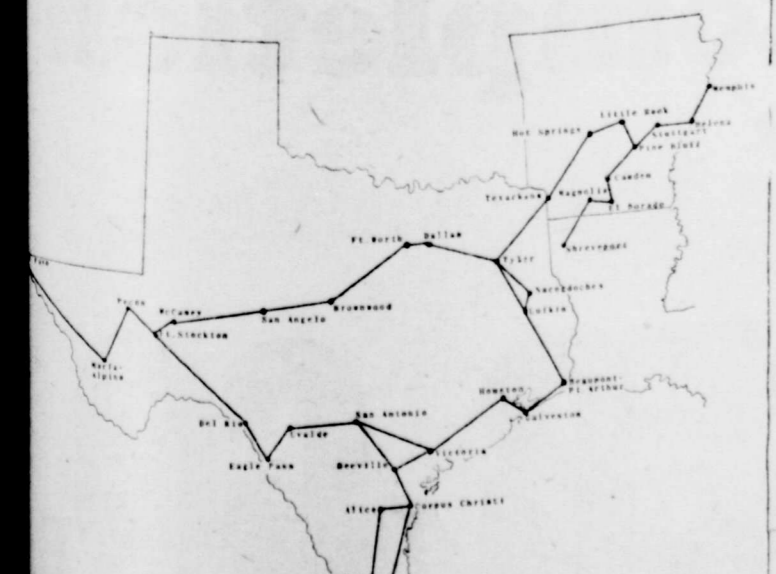
Rankin WSSCS met Monday evening, April 27 at 7:30 p. m. at the church for Bible study.

They used the text book "To-ward Understanding the Bible" by Georgia Harkness which was taught by Mrs. Max Lewis. Monday's lesson was on the geographic and historical background of our Bible. Mrs. Ross Wheeler gave a report on social setting of the New Testament and the closing thought was on religious setting.

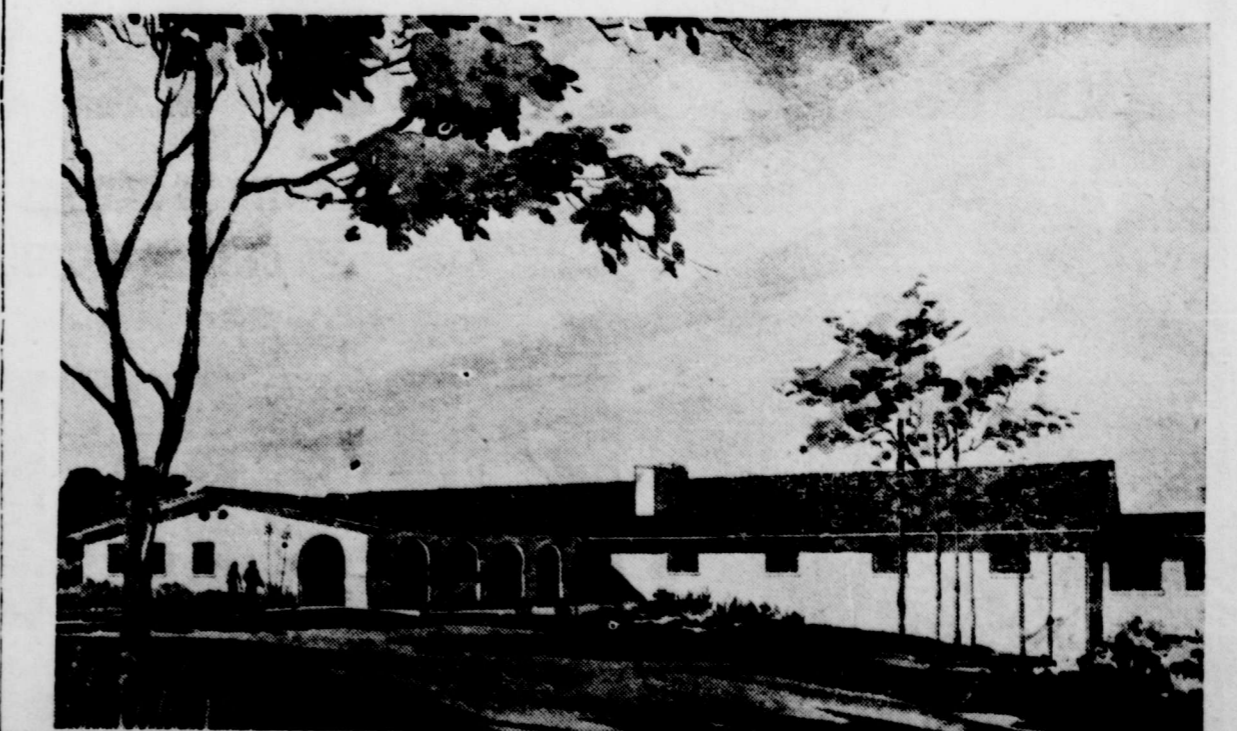
The group voted to have lesson Wednesday evening and finish the book next Monday evening, May 4 at 7:30 p. m. at the church.

BROWNIE TROOP 2

Brownie Troop No. 2 met Monday, April 27 at the Methodist Educational Building. The girls learned to fold the flag. They decided to take sack lunches on their picnic. They sang songs and discussed the Girl Scouting. Patricia Jones served refreshments to Dorothy Abernathy, Lana Beaver, Mary Broyles, Judy Dorsey, Ann Chandler, Virginia Harral, Glenda Parker, Darlene Workman, Sammy Steele, Elsie Wheeler, and Charlotte Fortenbery.



NEW TRANS-TEXAS AIRWAYS ROUTES—Graphically illustrated here are the new Arkansas, Tennessee and Louisiana routes announced last week by Trans-Texas Airways. The airline operates through the Upton County Airport in McCamey, serving the Permian Basin area. It is a Texas firm headquartered in Houston. This additional service links the Rankin-McCamey area with air-line connections serving the nation.



PROPOSED EXPANSION—First steps in a gigantic expansion program were taken recently at Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation for Crippled Children when contractors' bids were accepted for the proposed Midland Building, pictured above. Kuohn, Brooks and Barr are architects for the project which will increase the physical medicine and rehabilitation specialty hospital's bed capacity by almost 40%.

Driver Education Course To Be Held

AUSTIN, April 30.—Dr. C. J. Alderson of the University of Texas faculty urges Texas junior and senior high school teachers to register early for an annual short course in driver education, scheduled May 25-29.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swofford of Lordsburg, New Mexico and Mrs. Fred Hokit of Lubbock have been visitors in the Walton Harrah home. Mrs. Hokit is Mr. Harrah's mother and Mr. Swofford is Mrs. Harrah's brother.

Registration blanks may be obtained from the Division of Extension, University of Texas, Austin 12.

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BABY SITTER—Lady to keep two small girls in my home five days weekly. Contact the Rankin News.

WANTED: Large yard dog. Phone 140-J after 5 p. m. * ITR

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Used adding machine and check writer, bargain. See R. W. "Rocky" Burnett, Oilfield Route, Big Lake, Texas.

FOR SALE—1952 Cushman motor scooter, good condition, reasonable. Phone 55-R or write Box 313. ITR

Atlantic Refining Awards \$500 Grant To A U. T. Student

AUSTIN, April 30.—The University of Texas has accepted a new Atlantic Refining Company scholarship to encourage study of crude oil production techniques.

The company will award the \$500 grant in September to an outstanding geology department undergraduate student. The University of Texas is one of 12 universities and colleges in the South, Southwest and Middle West to receive a new Atlantic scholarship.

Murry McCain and sons, Bruce and Jack spent the weekend in the home of Mr. Cain's mother in Santa Anna.

Mrs. Dora Hodges visited relatives in Menard this week.

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Upton County, Texas, will receive sealed bids until 10:00 o'clock A. M. on Monday, May 18, 1953, for the purchase of

1 only — approximately 1,500 gallon capacity, trailer mounted, water sprinkler tank with at least two surge plates and 3-inch manifold to an eight-foot spraybar.

Prices quoted must be f. o. b. Rankin, Texas, and the Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

J. A. MOORE,
County Auditor,
Upton County, Texas.

ATTEST:

(LS) Nancy K. Daugherty,
County Clerk,
Upton County, Texas.
By Sara Lee Vardy, Deputy.

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Mrs. H. Wheeler, Mrs. Ross Wheeler, Elsie Sharon and Mike visited last weekend in Dallas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Norris and Miss Kathleen Wheeler.

Mrs. Don Lewis and children of Huntsville are visiting in the home of Mrs. Lewis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Lowery.

Cathy Workman of Midland is spending the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Workman.

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The said firm did duly file in the County Clerk's Office of Sedgewick County, Kansas on the 2nd day of March, 1953, and has filed in the County Clerk's office of Upton County, Texas, on the 17th day of April 1953, the certificate required by law stating the terms of said partnership which terms are as follows:

FIRST: The name of the firm under which the partnership business is to be conducted is VICKERS EXPLORATIONS, LTD.

SECOND: The general nature of the business to be transacted is the acquiring, developing, equipping, operating and producing of oil and gas properties, and the acquiring and holding of oil and gas royalties, overriding royalties and production payments and the sale or other disposition of any or more aforementioned properties or interests or any other assets held by the Partnership, and any and all things incident to these purposes.

THIRD: The names of the General and Special Partners interested therein, and their respective places of residence are as follows:
General Partner: THE VICKERS PETROLEUM CO., INC., a Kansas corporation with principal offices in Wichita, Kansas.
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FOURTH: The amount of capital which each Special Partner has contributed to the capital of the Partnership is as follows:
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FIFTH: The Partnership is to commence February 15, 1953, and to terminate December 31, 1957.

DATED this 17th day of April, 1953.

VICKERS EXPLORATIONS, LTD.
By J. A. Vickers
THE VICKERS PETROLEUM CO., INC.
By J. A. Vickers
President
General Partner
ATTEST:
Secretary

NOTICE OF ELECTION THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF UPTON: TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED PROPERTY TAXPAYING VOTERS OF UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 16th day of May, 1953, in said County, in obedience to an order duly entered by the Commissioners' Court on the 13th day of April, 1953, which is as follows:

"On this the 13th day of April, 1953, the Commissioners' Court of Upton County, Texas, convened in regular session at a Regular Term thereof in the Courthouse at Rankin, Texas with the following members of the Court, to wit:

G. H. Fisher, County Judge, Sam Holmes, Commissioner Precinct No. 1, T. D. Workman, Jr., Commissioner Precinct No. 2, Tom Trimble, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; Joe E. Conger, Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Nancy K. Daugherty, County Clerk, being present, came on to be considered the petition of Mrs. Jack Carr and 143 other persons, praying that an election be ordered to determine whether or not bonds of said County shall be issued in the sum of One Million Four Hundred Forty-five Thousand One Hundred Nine (\$1,445,109.00) Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed three and one-half (3½%) per cent per annum, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners Court, serially or otherwise, not to exceed twenty (20) years from date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, in said County; and whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied upon all the taxable property in Upton County for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity;

And it appearing to the Court that said petition is signed by more than fifty of the resident property taxpaying voters of said Upton County, Texas, who own taxable property within said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation;

And it further appearing that the amount of bonds to be issued will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said Upton County;

IT IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED AND ORDERED by the Court that an election be held in said County on the 16th day of May, 1953, which is not less than thirty (30) days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the bonds of said County shall be issued in the amount of One Million Four Hundred Forty-five Thousand One Hundred Nine (\$1,445,109.00) Dollars, for the pur-

pose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, in said County, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed three and one-half (3½%) per cent per annum, maturing at such times as may be serially or otherwise, not to exceed twenty (20) years from date thereof, fixed by the Commissioners' Court, and whether or not an ad valorem tax shall be levied upon all the taxable property in Upton County for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22, Revised Statutes, 1925, and only legally qualified voters of this State and of this County, who own taxable property within said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be allowed to vote.

The ballots for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
FOR THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF.
AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF.

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote.

The polling places and presiding officers and special canvassing board for canvassing ballots of absentee voters, shall be as follows:

PRECINCT NO.—1, VOTING PLACE, Court House, Rankin, Texas, E. C. Higday, PRESIDING OFFICER; PRECINCT NO.—2, VOTING PLACE, Rankin Park Building, Rankin, Texas, W. C. McDonald, Sr., PRESIDING OFFICER; PRECINCT NO.—3, VOTING PLACE, Office Building of Plymouth Gasoline Plant, Mark Dorsey, PRESIDING OFFICER; PRECINCT NO.—4, VOTING PLACE, McCamey Park Building, McCamey, Texas, A. F. Schnaubert, PRESIDING OFFICER; PRECINCT NO.—5, VOTING PLACE, C. W. Brown Pipe and Supply Company, McCamey, Texas, J. G. Herrington, PRESIDING OFFICER; PRECINCT NO.—6, VOTING PLACE, McCamey High School Building, McCamey, Texas, W. K. Ramsey, PRESIDING OFFICER.

Special Canvassing Board:
Mrs. Zack Monroe, Walton Poage, John Paul Godwin, and S. R. Braly.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Laws of the State of Texas regulating general elections, when not in conflict with the provisions of the statutes hereinabove referred to.

Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in a newspaper of general circulation published in Upton County, Texas, once each week for three successive weeks before the date of said election, the date of first publication to be not less than twenty-one (21) full days prior to the date of said election, and in addition thereto there shall be posted other copies of this order at four public places in the County, one of which shall be at the Courthouse door, for three weeks prior to said election.

The County Clerk is hereby directed to cause said notices to be posted and published as hereinabove directed, and further orders are reserved until the returns of said election are made by the duly authorized election officers and received by this Court."

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND with the seal of the Commissioners' Court affixed, this the 20th day of April, 1953.

Nancy K. Daugherty, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court, UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS.
(LS) Upton County, Texas

Water Association President Charges Waste Of Time On Bill

AUSTIN, April 30—Charge that a willful, handfull of state senators "are fiddling away precious legislative time while Texas burns from its fourth successive year of drouth" was made last week by Guy C. Jackson of Anahuac, president of the Texas Water Conservation Association.

The water group official referred to the senate against the proposed Constitutional Amendment by Senator John Bell Cuero which would levy a nominal fee on water users

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ready to let the people of Texas decide what they think about the amendment at the polls. We believe a great majority of the members of the senate and House are willing to let the voters of this state decide and leave it to their judgment. We believe the people of Texas are in no mood to accept delaying tactics and sit back and wait another two years for another legislature to give them, the people, an opportunity to vote on some water legislation," Jackson said.

Maggie Taylor visited this week in San Angelo.

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P-TA Tri-County Council To Meet In Ft. Stockton Wed.

The Crane, Pecos and Upton Tri-County Council of Parents and Teachers will meet in Ft. Stockton on May 6. Mrs. H. G. Stinnett, State P-TA President, will attend the meeting and install officers.

The meeting will start at 10 a. m. in the High School auditorium.

The program is as follows: Call to Order—Mrs. John Mene-



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Further Aid Sought By Nat'l Association For Mental Health

Mental Health Week, which will be observed in Texas and throughout the nation May 3 to 9, may be noted only once a year, but the principles of good mental health live on in every person's everyday life.

What is mental health? Mental health is the whole emotional climate in which we live, as real and as vital as the air we breathe.

A pamphlet distributed by the Texas Society for Mental Health states that "Mental Health is 1, 2, 3." People with good mental health: 1. Feel comfortable about themselves; 2. Feel right about other people; 3. Are able to meet the demands of life.

Good mental health means bet-

tee, President;

Invocation — Rev. George Bas-

lian;

Song—"America" in unison;

Greetings—J. G. Huckaby, High School Principal;

Response—Mrs. Walton Harral;

Introduction of State President and District President—Mrs. W. A. Kay;

12:30—Luncheon in School Cafeteria;

1:30—Call to Order;

Address—Mrs. H. G. Stinnett;

Installation of Officers—Mrs. H. G. Stinnett;

Adjournment;

Tea from 3:00 to 5:00 p. m. in the H. F. Gilley residence.

ter families, better workers, better towns, and a better world.

The Mental Health Committee in Crane, composed of school administrators, will distribute pamphlets to various clubs during Mental Health Week to provide the citizens of Crane about the principles of mental health.

ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Mrs. R. O. White of Rankin is one of 250 women leaders of the Methodist Church meeting in Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, this week in a missionary conference. The conference is under the auspices of the Women's Division of Christian Service of the Church's Board of Missions.

Legion Convention In District Set In May In Odessa Legion Hall

ALBERT D. BROWNING, JR. ODESSA, April 30.—Top ranking state, district and division officers of the American Legion, headed by State Commander Albert D. Brown, Jr., of Austin, will be on the program at the annual spring convention of the 16th Congressional District to be held here Saturday and Sunday, May 2 and 3.

District Commander Maury H. Alberts of Kermit announces that in addition to Brown, other state officials to attend the convention will be G. Ward Moody of Austin, department adjutant; Eugene L. Jackson, Cisco, fifth division commander, and Mrs. Marian Blieden of Houston, state president of the Auxiliary.

The two local posts of the American Legion, No. 430 headed by Joe Cozby as commander, and No. 522 with Mrs. Carl Flack as commander, have arranged an outstanding entertainment schedule for visiting Legionnaires and Auxiliary members. These include an Auxiliary tea at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening at the Ector County Library; a 40 and 8 stag dinner at Roy's Restaurant and Drive-In at 7:30 o'clock the same evening, and the convention dance starting at 9 o'clock at the Legion Hall with Bob Goebert's orchestra furnishing the music.

A full day of activity is scheduled for Sunday beginning with a breakfast for the Auxiliary at 9 o'clock in the Alamo Room of the Lincoln Hotel. A joint session of the American Legion and Auxiliary will be held Sunday morning at the Legion Hall, climaxed with a memorial service at 11 o'clock. This will be followed with a chuck wagon dinner at 12:30 o'clock in the Legion Hall.

At 2 o'clock the American Legion will hold its business session at the Legion Hall, while the Auxiliary will hold its business session in the district court room at the Ector County Court House. Delegates to the national convention to be held in St. Louis in August, will be elected and other business transacted, District Commander Alberts states.

A fellowship hour starting at 5 o'clock after the business session will conclude the convention program.

Mrs. Pete Beeman and children spent last weekend in San Angelo visiting relatives.

Mrs. Maude Frazier visited in Fredericksburg this week.

Mrs. A. B. McGill and Mrs. Tommy Workman visited with the M. C. Duer family in Midland this week.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

FIRST STATE BANK OF RANKIN

of Rankin, Texas, at the close of business April 20, 1953, 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	\$1,246,247.58
United States Gov't obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,134,901.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	500,387.55
Corporate stocks (including \$4,650.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	4,650.00
Loans and discounts (including \$7,820.51 overdrafts)	994,777.19
Bank premises owned \$5,010.90, furniture and fixtures	13,610.90
Other assets	1,356.74
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,896,030.96

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	2,078,701.36
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, & corporations	193,459.42
Deposits of United States Gov't (including postal savings)	58,668.45
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,312,635.19
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,643,464.42

Total Liabilities (not including subordinated obligations shown below) 3,643,464.42

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 55,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00
Undivided profits	82,566.54
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	15,000.00
Contingencies	15,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	252,566.54

TOTAL LIABILITIES & CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$3,896,030.96

*Common stock with total par value of \$55,000.00

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$1,331,900.00

I, D. S. Anderson, Cashier 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:

Clay Taylor, O. W. Parker, Dunn Lowery, Directors.

State of Texas, County of Upton—ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of April, 1953.

(LS) RUTH HOLCOMB, Notary Public, Upton County, Texas.

Plan Kids' Day



Plans for the fifth annual National Kids' Day to be held September 26 are discussed by Walter J. L. Ray, president, Kiwanis International and Jimmie Fidler, president of the National Kids' Day Foundation. Last year with the help of the Foundation's promotion almost a million children were entertained and \$647,048.68 was raised for local youth work by Kiwanis clubs.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

Sunday Morning:

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.

Sunday Service 11:00 a. m.

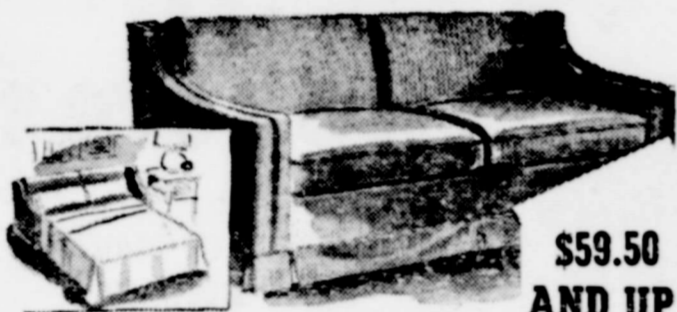
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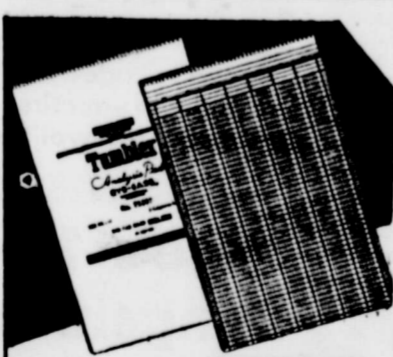
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