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RANKIN, UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

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Western Acidizing Shows Interest In Rankin Location

Acidizing Co., a company specializing in acidizing service wells, is investigating the possibility of setting up shop in Rankin.

Owners Getting Curbing Work

Work being made on curbing property owners prior to being designated as a county road system in Rankin.

Individuals have already property and it is re-numerous others are the work done. At time, property owners Street are trying to and contract their

hill by the water tow-ble blasting and dirt been taking place as on getting the for curbing and pav-ly by the water tower red several feet in or- better street.

to Commissioner Work- ing is ready to go as necessary curbing and is completed.

underwent an ap- at the Irsan Hospital rning, November 19th. is considered good, the hospital.

A call to Rankin last week from their head office in Midland resulted in a two man delegation composed of Joe Scrivner and Bruce McGill going to Midland last Monday to meet with representatives of the company and to discuss the possible move into Rankin.

According to the report brought back by these two, there is a good chance that Rankin may be chosen by the company for their new installation. At the present time Big Lake, McCamey and Rankin are said to be under consideration. It is felt that Rankin would be more centrally located for this type of operation.

Should the company decide to move in, there will be about 10-12 families in the first group, followed by additional personnel as the need for the service increases. It is anticipated that the move will be made within the next 6 months.

OIL ACTIVITY UP

Oil activity in Upton County continues to increase with a large amount of work being scheduled in the Spraberry field and considerable new oil being discovered in the King Mountain area.

Magnolia, drilling on the University lease east of Rankin, continues to report slight to fair shows and is drilling ahead at around 8,000 feet.

FIREMEN EAT BAR-B-QUE; PLAN WORK PROGRAM

Rankin Volunteer Firemen met last Tuesday night at the fire station and enjoyed a bar-b-que supper served by chief Dub Day and assistant chief Henry Scarborough.

Following the menu a demonstra-

WEDNESDAY ALARM

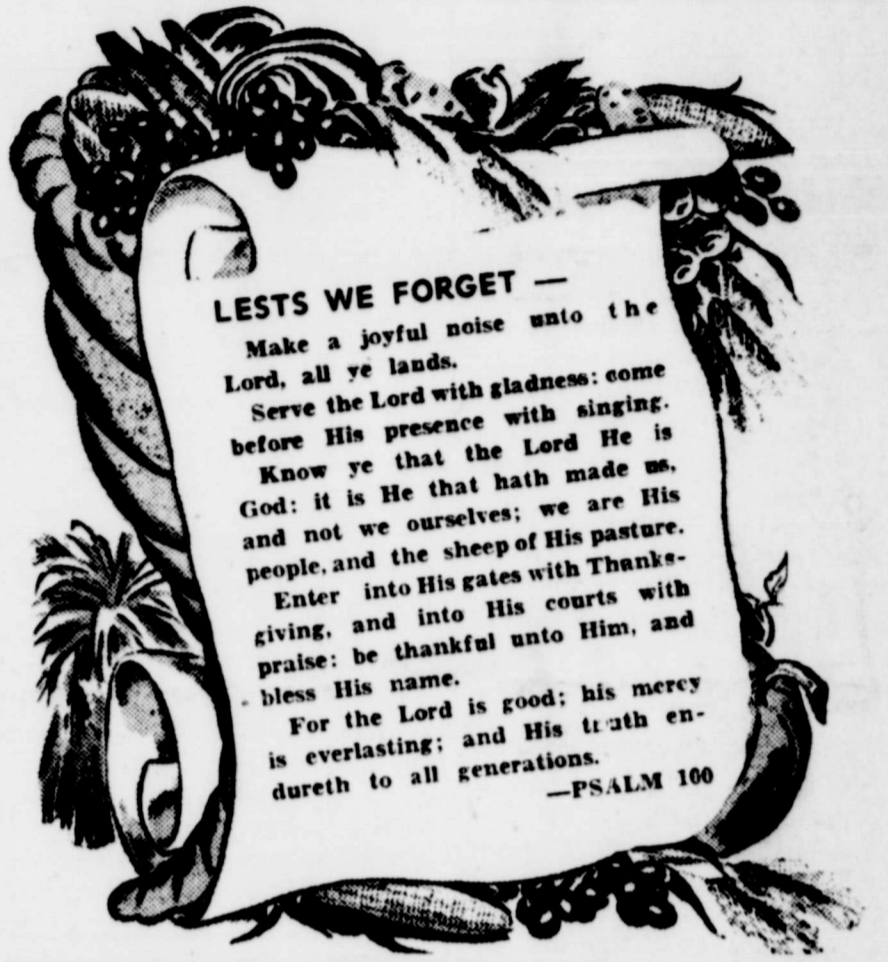
The department answered an 8:45 a.m. alarm Wednesday, Nov. 23 when the city trash hauling truck caught fire near the city dump grounds.

A good turnout of firemen were on hand and the blaze was extinguished without damage to the truck

tion was given by Sid Langford on the proper method of servicing a fire plug. All plugs in Rankin were designated on a city map and crews of firemen will be assigned to service the plugs in the near future.

A fire following a butane explosion in a house located on Kilborn Street last Wednesday around noon was doused by the firemen. Occupants of the house, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Breechan, Halliburton employees, lost all of their personal belongings. The house was also heavily damaged.

It is believed the fire resulted from butane gas igniting from the (Continued to back page)



Virginia McCammon Is Baking Contest Winner

LOCK-UP SET THURSDAY; SOME TO REMAIN OPEN

Rankin will "shut down" Thursday in observance of Thanksgiving.

A majority of the business houses and offices have indicated that they will close for one day. However, cafes, drive-ins and several service stations will be open to take care of the public needs.

No special observances have been planned and a quiet holiday is expected. With no football games scheduled in the immediate area and with just the one day closing, it is anticipated that most Rankinites will be at home for the occasion.

Schools will be closed from Thursday until Monday, Nov. 28.

The bank and postoffice will observe a one day closing.

Among the cafes that are advertising Thanksgiving menus in this week's News is Ramseys and The Gateway. The Highland Cafe plans to close for the holiday.

RAMSEY OPEN DAY & NIGHT

Sidney Ramsey, owner of Ramseys Cafe, announced this week that that firm has begun a policy of staying open 24 hours a day. He emphasized that this is being done on a trial basis and in order to service those who have to work nights. A number of oilfield servicing units operate at all hours and are thus in need of cafe service throughout the day and night.

Mr. Ramsey has stated that if the practice proves profitable, he will continue it as a regular service

Virginia McCammon, 16-year-old daughter of Helen Ruth McCammon and a junior in Rankin High School, is the proud winner of an all-expense paid trip for she and her mother to New York City.

Entering a Pillsbury Flour contest, Virginia was judged one of 20 winners from throughout the United States. She and her mother will fly to New York and will stay 3 days in the Waldorff-Astoria Hotel.

While there she will enter the national contest sponsored by the flour company which will offer awards of \$3,000 for first prize, \$2,000 for second and \$1,000 for third place. She will be entitled to keep the range and the mixmaster which she will use in preparing her receipt for the national cook-off.

Among the other activities she will engage in will be two appearances on national television shows, the Ed Sullivan Show, and the Milton Burle Show.

Mrs. McCammon and Virginia will leave for New York on Dec. 11.

NEW RECORD SET FOR COUNTY TAX COLLECTION

According to the Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector's office for Upton County, receipt of 1955 ad valorem taxes for the month of October set a new record when they reached 94.6% collected as of the last of the month.

This bettered by more than 1% the previous high of 93.3% set last year.

Actual money represented in the collections amounted to \$847,046.86 (Continued To Back Page)

Red Devils Preparing To Meet Robert Lee Dec. 1st

another week off for Red Devils as they are to meet Robert Lee, the date scheduled for the bi-district game here with Robert Lee.

to conference rules. district games do not completed until Dec. 10. believed that there would be conflict if the game during the Thanksgiving, the Dec. 1 date is decided upon.

is at the present time won and 7 loss record for 1st place in district Bronte and Herm- result of their 38 to 6 late last week. Robert loss of a coin and was present the district in Rankin.

of Rankin fans at- Robert Lee-Bronte game

last week and almost every one of them report that Robert Lee has a much better team than the score in that particular game indicated. The Bronte-Robert Lee game has long been a grudge affair and usually goes to the team that is "up" for the game.

HAS GOOD BACKFIELD

Tom Sawyer, 160 pound quarterback, is said to be the player who leads the Steers. He is a left handed passer, and is said to be very good with his tossing, and is also a capable runner. He has the assistance of two fast halfbacks and 180 pound Don Godwin at the fullback slot. This combination is expected to give the Red Devil defense considerable trouble, especially since they have shown a slight weakness on pass defense throughout the year.

Both teams will average nearly

166 pounds in the line and both will be about equal in weight in the backfield. Rankin fans in general believe that the Red Devils have the better team in experience and should be able to win over the Steers except for the fact that they will have been out of action more than two weeks when the contest takes place here on Dec. 1.

Even though the Devils will have considerable time to get ready for the game, this long lay-off, coupled with Thanksgiving holidays can be the difference in winning or losing the game.

SEE TCU AND RICE

The entire Red Devil squad, along with their coaches, journeyed to Dallas the past week-end and attended the TCU-Rice game. They reported a most enjoyable trip and were back on the practice field last Monday.

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Filler by J. B.

It looks like Rankin is going to have to close shop until the deer season is over. It's getting to the point where all the help is either out of town hunting for deer or have just got back and are too stove up to do much.

Quite a number of folks have returned with bucks and quite a number have returned with what the little boy shot at. Rankin's champion hunter, Charley Hale, is beginning to get a little red around the ears. It seems that he has been out twice and has yet to put a notch on his gun.

Grimm Taylor says that he killed one but whatever that was he had hoisted on that high pole in back of his house is too high up in the air to tell for sure whether it's fish or fowl.

We see in the newspaper where Reagan County voted a large bond issue the past week by some 300-95. For some time now the folks over there have been working together to get the issue passed—a water bond issue of some sort. Upton County could take a lesson from them on how to work together and get things done—not that we haven't accomplished a good bit in this county, but they displayed a fine spirit of cooperation on their project and even went as far as the Legislature.

Either the teenagers are going to have to be a bit more careful of their driving or start wearing football helmets. At least they should keep the fender-straightening folks happy.

This has been a good week for rumors. About all you have to do

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is listen long enough and you can hear almost anything you would like. Of chief interest, and one that has been around the longest, is that more oil play is due in the Rankin area soon.

Out on King Mountain they seem to be striking oil in just about every pay zone that has ever been discovered and a few that are yet to be named. Maybe some of that oil will run down the hill and wind up around here. Everybody's ready.

We see in the Odessa American that they have named five Rankin football player to the all-district team and four to honorable mention positions.

It has long been the custom of sportswriters to pick all-district, all regional, all-state, etc., selections from various teams. This may be all right but we personally find it hard to say that any one player is better than any other.

Without a doubt, some boys have more ability than others but we cannot believe that one man, or two or ten, for that matter, can beat eleven others with all things being equal.

If we were trying to name the outstanding players on the Rankin Red Devils we'd just about have to pick them all. The knots on the substitutes head that he received in practice are just as big and just as sore as those received by the boy who carries the ball

WHY WAIT UNTIL THE HORSE IS STOLEN?

Editor's Note:—The following editorial comes from the Texas Press Association and is definitely food for thought.

Why wait until a newspaper unearth a scandal?

Anyone who handles public funds should be required by law to publish a full accounting of same at regular intervals.

Frankly — both the lawmakers and the public are to blame for thievery in public office.

Every state in the Union, with few exceptions, and Texas is one of the exceptions, requires that every public official who handles public funds publish a full accounting of same at stated intervals.

When the legislators fail to act, it is time for the people to act. It is time for the people to take a hand in drafting legislation, or electing men who will do so.

During the last session of the legislature there were two bills introduced by Representative Elbert Reeves of Matador, to force publication of financial statements by the Commissioners' Courts, the school districts, and by other groups handling public monies.

Why weren't these bill passed? That's what the people would now over for a touchdown in the game. We say they're all champions.

like to know.

We think the people should ask their elected representatives just why those bills were not passed.

Any state failing to pass such legislation is guilty of tempting public officials to pocket the peoples' cash. It is just as guilty as the man who takes it.

Theft of public funds is not uncommon in such states where financial reports are not required. And thievery will continue until such time as the people demand of their elected representatives that laws be passed that remove such

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temptations, by requiring reports of all receipts and disbursements by all officials entering the collection and disbursement of public money.

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**Nine Rankin Red Devils
Named To All-District Honors**

Nine Rankin Red Devil football players were named by the Odessa American to all-district honors this week.

With an all-district eleven composed of 5 Rankin players, the newspaper named Bobby Hudson, Rankin, end; Dick Lewis, Rankin, tackle; Ray New, Van Horn, guard; John Garren, Van Horn, center; Bill Parks, Grandfalls, guard; L. Chandler, Van Horn, tackle; and Miguel Carrielo, Van Horn, end.

In the backfield: Tommy Hudson, Rankin, quarterback; Jimmy Ingram, Rankin, halfback; Bill Herrera, Van Horn, halfback; and

**EDITH JAMES HOSTESS
TO BETA SIGMA PHI**

Omicron Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Edith James for the last meeting in November.

Roll call was answered with a famous best dressed woman.

It was voted to decorate the community building auditorium on Sunday, December 4th for the Christmas season. The sorority party was planned for the 8th of

Glen Welling, Rankin, fullback.

Receiving honorable mention were Joe Hodges, Joe Dean Hamilton, Gene McCain and Clifford Chandler, all of Rankin.

December.

The club members will again dress a doll to be given away Christmas. There will be a wardrobe of almost three dozen pieces. Chances will go on sale soon for this doll and wardrobe and the drawing will be sometime before Christmas.

Alma Adams and Dorothy Hurst presented a very interesting program on the Art of Dress and Fashion for the Business Woman.

Virginia Ivy won the door prize. Cokes and coffee were served to twenty members.

CARD OF THANKS

My sincere thanks to the unknown gentleman and golfer who found my trusty putter and sent it back to me.

Steve Preslar

FORE PLEASE—

Somebody is not drinking their share of the coffee. Although the ladies who serve coffee, do-nuts, pies, etc., every week-end out at the club house are still reporting a good "take"—some \$9 last week-end, they could serve quite a few more customers.

If you are a member of the club, you should try to get out to the club house at least once on the week-end and do your bit by downing a few cups of java. If you don't like coffee, they have cokes. If you don't like either, come on out anyway and just sit around. There are plenty of easy chairs out there now and your presence will mean a lot to the club.

Those women are still on the ball, too. They have ordered drapes for

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the big windows and almost enough money to pay for Most of it has been from the coffee sales.

Ladder play was slow a week with no changes here in the women standings on the men's side it now stands: Fields, 2. Carl Shaffer, Marshall, 4. Shorty Taylor, G. Taylor, 6. Dunn Love, B. Hutchens, 8. Gene Ray Boggs, and 10. Tom henson.

"Are you calling me a
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RANKIN STUDY CLUB ENTERTAINS GUESTS

The Rankin Study Club honored their husbands with a "Gentlemen's Evening" dinner Thursday, Nov. 17, in the Park Building.

Mrs. D. S. Anderson, Mrs. Tom Mitchell, Mrs. E. C. Higday, Mrs. Hamp Carter, Mrs. C. G. Taylor and Mrs. W. A. Hudson were responsible for the purchase and preparation of the menu, which consisted of ham, whole green beans, candied yams, pineapple and pear salad, and pie.

Mrs. Taylor called the meeting to order and Rev. Lynn McAden asked the blessing.

Mr. Lyle Jackson provided music during the dinner.

Mr. Dub Day, County Agent, discussed Soil Conservation in this region, and showed slides.

The Beauty Shop Trio (for the lack of a barbershop quartet) sang "You Tell Me Your Dreams," "Moonlight Bay," and "Oh, You Beautiful Doll." "The Old Grey Mare" was sung as an encore. Members of the trio were Mrs. John B. Lair, Mrs. Preston Patton

Three Sorority Members Receive Ritual Degree

Three members of Beta Sigma Phi received the Ritual of Jewels

and Mrs. Tom Workman, Mrs. A. E. Ivy, "Piano Roll Pete", was accompanist. All were in costume.

Those present were: Mesdames Jack Smith, Odessa Edward, Eddie Yocham, Zack Monroe, Albert McKay, Herbert Hurn, Ross Wheeler, Helen Ruth McCammon, Sheppard, Opal Nix, W. A. Hudson, Tom Mitchell, Tom Workman, A. E. Ivy, Preston Patton, Pat Yocham, Janelle Moore, and

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Clark, Rev. and Mrs. Lynn McAden, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Day, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bushong, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Walton Harral, Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Carter, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Higday, Mr. and Mrs. Darby Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Lair,

Misses Maggie Taylor, Helen Bolton, and Myrtle Reed,

Mr. J. W. Kennedy and Mr. Lyle Jackson.

Degree on Thursday, November 17, in an impressive ceremony at the gracious home of Mrs. Walton Poage.

The centerpiece for the serving table was a lovely tiered cake decorated with twenty-five candles in honor of the national sorority's twenty-fifth anniversary.

Entertainment was furnished by Mrs. A. E. Ivy, Mrs. John Lair, Mrs. Preston Patton and Mrs. Tom Workman.

Those members receiving the degree were: Mrs. Deda Kilchrist, Mrs. Carolyn Hood, and Miss Carolyn Hopkin.

Cake and ice cream were served to the group.

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NOTICE TO BIRD HUNTERS —

In the past it has been my pleasure to have all my friends hunt on my property during dove and quail season. This year, though, due to the extreme drouth and scarcity of birds, I wish to ask you NOT to hunt on my land. Trespassers will be dealt with.

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Postmaster Urges Early Yule Mailing

"It's time to start those Christmas mailings!" Postmaster Grace Roach warned today, launching her 1955 "Mail Early for Christmas" campaign.

"On the calendar it's a month away but here in the Post Office it's Christmas today—and every day until December 25th," she said. Everything is ready for the mammoth flood of Christmas mail that is expected to smash all records.

The Post Office has already dis-

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Rankin Cub Scouts met at the Elementary School auditorium last Thursday night, November 17, at 7:30, for their second pack meeting. The Cubs gave the pladge of allegiance to the flag and then gave a Thanksgiving program showing their hats and shoe buckles which were made in their weekly meetings.

Mr. Cleddie Vickers, Cub Scout Master, then presented the Denner of the Month award to Bill Scrivner. This award was for good attendance and good conduct.

Cub scouts present were: Louis Thornton, Vance Carson, James Harris, Bill Scrivner, Jim Ivy, John Carl Long, Murray D. Merriman, and Tommy DeArmond.

The next pack meeting was set for December 15.

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Postmaster Roach especially calls on housewives to help in her effort to deliver every package and Christmas card before December 25th. "The lady of the house," she emphasized, "is really in charge of each family's Christmas mailing program. She selects the Christmas cards, buys most of the gifts and sees to it that the mailing list of friends and loved ones is up-to-date.

"Actually, success is having all Christmas gifts and greeting cards

delivered on time is largely a matter of advance planning and preparation which should be done this week," the Postmaster pointed out.

She recommends the following steps at once: Get out your Christmas card list and carefully check through it. Make sure that each address includes the full name, street and number, city, zone and state. Then, pay a visit to the Post Office, stock up on stamps (use three cent stamps on your Christmas cards for first-class mail service).

"You can do this in a leisurely way if you will come to the Post Office before 10:30 a.m. or between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. thus missing the rush hours. On your way home pick up a supply of heavy wrapping paper, sturdy empty cartons, strong cord and kraft paper adhesive tape. A modest investment in these necessities will pay

big dividends in safe delivery of your cherished Christmas gifts," the Postmaster said, adding that all packages should be mailed by **Thursday, November 18, 1955** at **Rankin (Tex.)** **December 10th.**

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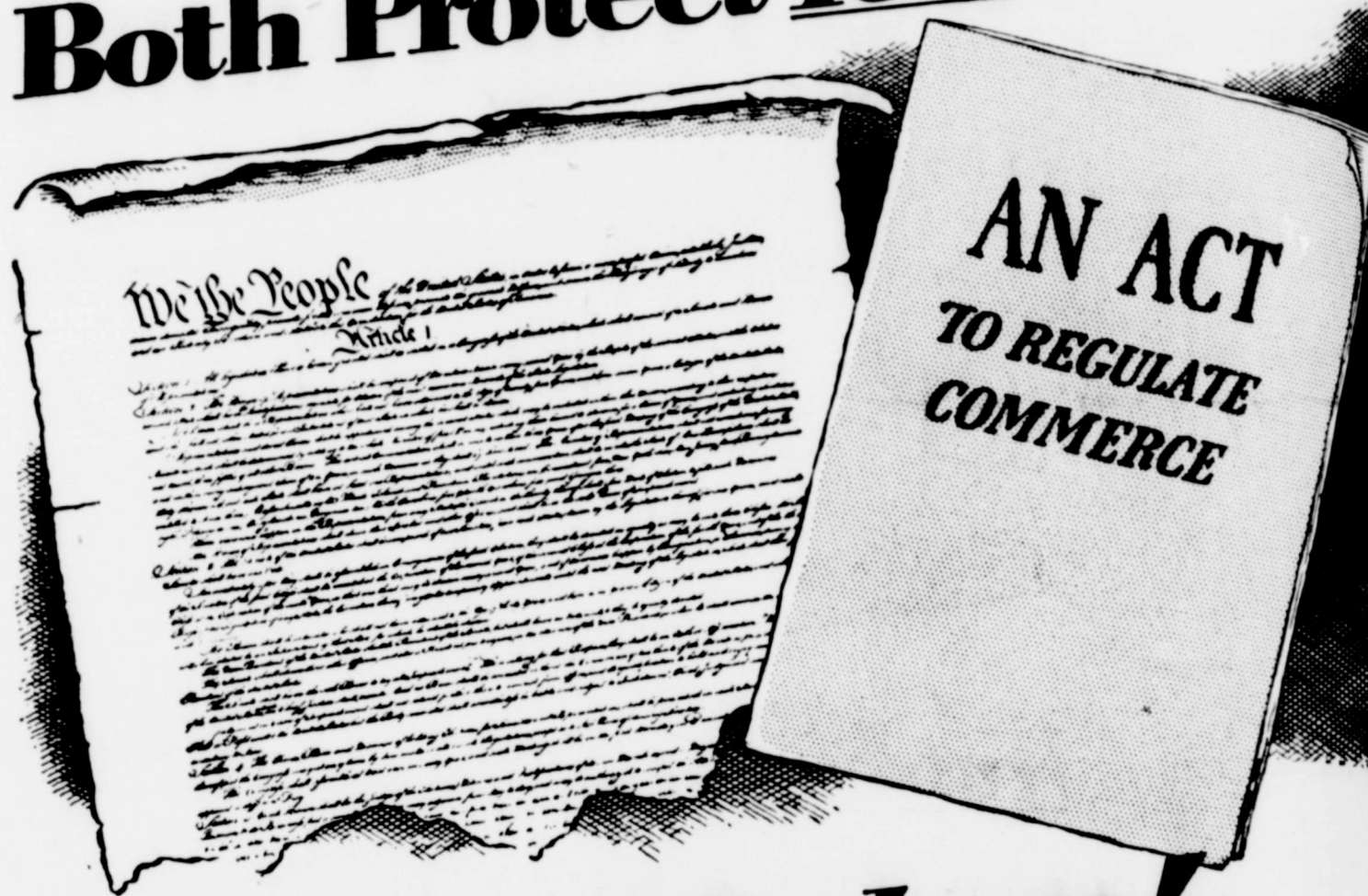
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printed and various oper-
the printing business was
Mrs. Pettit's third grade
day evening when they
Rankin News Office.

in the demonstration
ents was the newspaper
operation, the linotype,
ercial presses, casting
The following letter was
is week from the chil-

Dear Mr. Hutchens,

We enjoyed our visit to the News
office. Most of the children liked
the printing press best. We were
surprised when we saw you melt
the metal.

Thank you, Mr. Hutchens and
Mrs. Titsworth, for letting us visit
"The Rankin News Office."

Your friends,
Mrs. Pettit and
The Third Grade

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Lynn Thomas
Richard Sledge
Jim Ivy
Fred Merritt
Billy Butler
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Murray D. Merriman

Gayl Wilson
Lee Greear
Charles Newcomb
Charles Johnston
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Vance Jones
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"People should marry their op-
posites."

"Most people are convinced they
did."

**BETA SIGMA PHI MEETS
AT VARDY HOME**

The Omicron Tau Chapter of
Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of
Mrs. Sara Lee Vardy on Tuesday,
Nov. 8th, at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call was answered with a
favorite period of dress. A very
interesting program on the "His-
tory of Dress" was presented to the
group by Patsy Wilson and Deda
Kilchrist.

The date for the Ritual of Jewels
ceremony was set for Thursday,
November 17th at the home of Mrs.
Walton Poage.

Cokes and coffee were served to
the group.

Inks for every purpose at the
Rankin News.

Methodist Church Program

Sunday School 10:00-11:00
Morning Worship 11:00-12:00
Evening
Youth Fellowship 6:15-7:00
Evening Worship 7:00-7:50
Youth Recreation 8:00-9:00
Choir practice on Wednesday
evening at 7:00.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

The Commissioners Court of Up-
ton County, Texas, will receive seal-
ed bids until 10 o'clock A.M. Dec-
ember 12, 1955, at which time bids
will be publicly opened and read,
at the Courthouse, Rankin, Texas,
for the purchase of:

One Motor Grader
The Commissioners Court reser-
ves the right to accept or reject
any or all bids.

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

ATTEST:
Nancy K. Daugherty,
County Clerk,
Upton County, Texas.

11-24-c

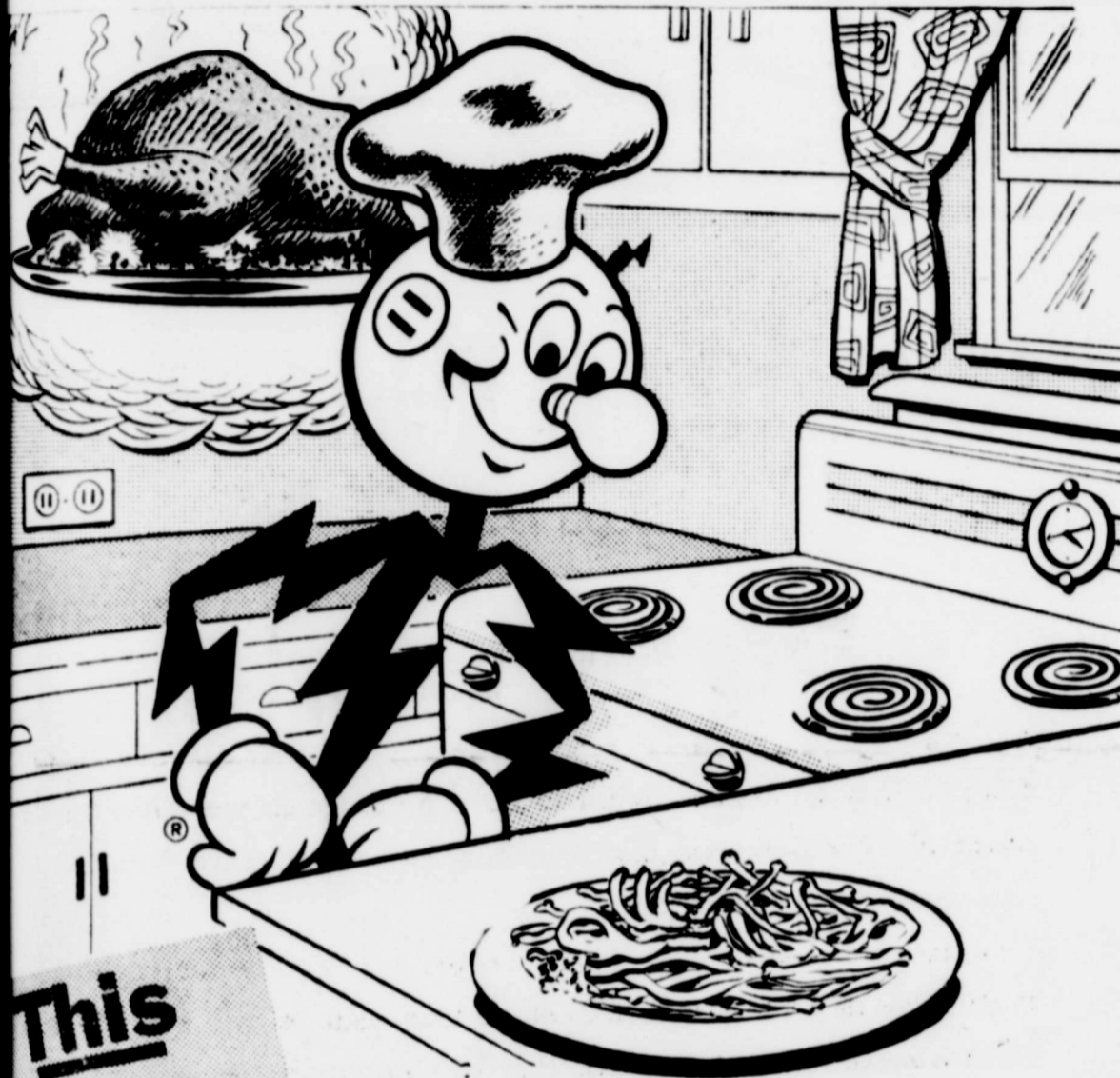
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Across from
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Time
it
was**

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ELECTRICALLY**

and look what happened to the big
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Reddy isn't surprised... neither is
the family. They know Reddy has
wonderful cooking ways with all kinds
of food.

Best of all, when Reddy takes over,
he is free of basting, oven-peeking
and testing. All she must do is put the
bird in the oven, set the controls and

flip the switch. Reddy does all the
work until it's time to serve.

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If your Electric Range isn't installed
yet, better see about it. There's still
time to give yourself real cooking
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Driving a golf ball and driving a car have a lot in common. Both require skill, control and practice. Take the smooth swing and perfect timing necessary to make a professional golfer. They're the same for good driving.

The "pro" on the road drives his car smoothly. He blends with the flow of traffic without jerky stops and starts. Because of perfect timing he never has to dart from lane to lane. He glides his car, anticipating his next move long in advance. Through constant practice he improves his driving skill.

What Makes Good Golf ... Makes Good Driving

Safe Drivers Make Safe Highways
Make every day S-D day

NEW RECORD SET—
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out of a total of \$894,528.82 that was originally to have been paid by Upton tax payers. This leaves some \$47,471.96 yet to be paid. In collection of 1954 taxes, the office set a new high last year

with 99.5% collected before the deadline of January 31. The uncollected 1.2% represented approximately \$5,000, most of which has already been collected. In the process of collecting the \$5,000 overdue from last year's taxes, the office also brought into the county coffers some \$20,000

that had been carried on the tax rolls as delinquent.

POLL TAX LAGGING

Payment of 1955 poll tax receipts was moving very slow, according to the office, with only 58 receipts being paid as of Nov. 22. Voters who plan to pay their poll tax for 1955 are asked to do so at the earliest possible date and avoid the heavy load of work put on the office in January.

NEW CAR TAGS

Something new in the car tag department will make its appearance with the 1956 plates. Information on the new markers received by the Sheriff's office indicates that they will be some 1 1/2 inches longer than the old tag and instead of having two letters of the alphabet, one on top of the other, the new plates will have two letters the full height of the tag.

Sale of 1956 licenses begins on February 1.

LIONS PLAN NUMEROUS AFFAIRS FOR DECEMBER

A number of events are in the planning stages for December by the Rankin Lions Club.

First on their list will be a change in their meeting place from the Upton County Park Building to the Highland Cafe. This change will take effect on their first meeting in December.

On December 10 and 11, they are making arrangements for their annual pre-Christmas turkey shoot. The shoot will be held along the same lines as the Upton County 4-H Club affair and will be staged at the dump grounds all day Saturday, Dec. 10, and from 1:00 p.m. until dark on Dec. 11.

Following this will be their annual Christmas party and ladies night which will be held on Dec. 12. Meeting time, place, etc., are to be worked out by next Monday night. Each man is to bring a gift

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FIREMEN EAT—
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water heater in the bath exploding. Mrs. Breechman was injured in the living room and a stream of fire shot through the entire building. No one was injured although Mrs. Breechman entered the hospital for a

for a boy and each lady a girl. These will then be contributed to the needy children's area before Christmas.

Other plans before the club include a proposed trip by members desiring to go to Mexico, to attend a Christmas meeting of the Lions Club in the city.

Rubber stamps at the News office.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Chicken Rice Soup	Waldorf Salad
Roast Young Tom Turkey With Dressing-Cranberry Sauce	\$1.00
Baked Virginia Ham With Baked Apple	\$1.10
Snowflake Potatoes	
Creamed English Peas	Baked Corn
Dinner Rolls	Coffee or Iced Tea
Mincemeat Pie	

* There will be additional selections on the dinner menu

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"THE LAST COMMAND"

Starring

Sterling Hayden — Anna Maria Alberghetti

SUNDAY & MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27 & 28

"NOT AS A STRANGER"

Olivia de Havilland, Robert Mitchum, Frank Sinatra
Gloria Grahame, Broderick Crawford, Charles Bickford

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 & 30

Maureen O'Hara — Anthony Quinn

"THE MAGNIFICENT MATADOR"

FORD THEATRE

With Extreme Reluctance...

We announce a change in our policy regarding

Free Gift Wrapping

Effective Dec. 1st we are forced to make a change in our gift wrapping policy. It is with extreme reluctance that rising costs have forced us to discontinue free gift wrapping.

Henceforth, only items sold at \$2.00 or more will be gift wrapped free. Items below the \$2.00 price will be charged a nominal fee for gift wrapping. Gift wraps will be available at 25c, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00.

Rising costs of paper, ribbon, seals and etc., have forced us to make this change in a long established policy . . . so we ask your understanding in this matter.

Remember . . . beginning Dec. 1st, free gift wrapping will be available only on items selling for \$2.00 or more. Items sold for lesser amounts will be gift wrapped for a nominal charge . . . with a 25c minimum. We hope, and believe you will understand and approve. . . .

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