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SCOUT FUND DRIVE GETS UNDERWAY
With a kick-off breakfast last Tuesday morning at Highland Cafe, the 1957 Concho Valley Boy Scout fund drive was launched in Rankin. Along with the breakfast was a discusston on local problems and goals by Boy Scouts, selection of prospects for the fund drive and a showing of slides taken by Scout A. C. Rawlins of his trip to the national enccampment at Valley Forge last summer.
This year's budget for the Concho Valley Council has been set at $\$ 92,214.08$ for the $221 / 2$ counties represented in the area. This compares with $\$ 90.976 .44$ for the 1957 budget on which the Council is presently operating.
Largest item will be executive salaries of which approximately one-third of the money will, be spent or $\$ 34,300$. Next largest item will be Long Term Camping which gets $\$ 14.934 .25$ of the total.
Sam Fitzhugh is chairman of the drive this year and has asked that all workers make their contacts a early as possible
"We know that the people of Rankin are behind the scouts and that they support the program with their donation", he said. "We have an important job and it needs to be done

## Goed Turnout In

Local Tournament
Despite high wincs that prevailed last week-end, golfers from all parts of West Texas were on hand o take part in the annual Rankin Invitational Golf Tournament.
Eighty players teed-off in five flights Sunday morning following Jimmy Attaway, former McCamey High School star now living in Rankin, take medalist honors with a par 72. First two rounds were played on hole play with the third and final nine being stroke con test.

WINNERS BY FLIGHTS In the championship flight, $H$. Allen of Big Lake and R. H. Mode sett of Crane put on a fine exhibi tion in the finals with Allen winning by one stroke with a 71 . In the consolation, Troy White of Big Lake won over H. D. Gibson of Goldsmith.
First flight winner was Joe Johnson of Big Lake with Bill Whitefield of Iraan taking the runner-up spot. Consolation was won by Walter Sneed of Midland while Bud Stenson of Kermit was runner-up. Stenson at 57 was the oldest player to reach the winners circle and shot a 39 which was only two strok es behind Sneed's 37.
Rankin got into action in the second flight when Dunn Lowery had a 40 to win the top honors. Ed Hopkins of Stanton with a 42 was
runner-up. In consolation, Dub Das runner-up. In consolation, Dub Day
won top position with Leamen

Increase In Spread Of Sickness Expected-"Flu" Hits Hard Blow

## At School Attendance

Conditions in the local schools on Wednesday of this week indicated that a serious outbreak of the disease was now in process and that the situation would likely become more severe
Overall, some 10 per cent of the students were absent from all departments of the school with the high school leading in percentage

## HOMECOMING FOR

 RANKIN SCHEDULED ON NOVEMBER 8THHomecoming for Rankin Independent School will be November 8th.
This date, on which all ex-stu dents of Rankin schools are re quested to return and visit their old alma mata, will see a number of events held including the feaure attraction of Rankin vs Grandfalls in football. This game will be the second conference encounter for the Red Devils and could be most important

QUEENS ELECTED
Also in connection with the homecoming celebration will be the election of a Homecoming Queen Actual voting for the queen has already been held in the local schools on last Monday. However, results will not be announced until the homecoming football game.
At halftime in this contest, candidates for the queen crown will take their places on the footbal field and the winner will then be announced. Other cqntestants in the event will serve as dutchesses to the queen.
Candidates are: Marsha Adair Linda Harral, Myrle Woody and Ruth McGill, all seniors; Andra Mitchell and Frankie Clay, juniors and Phyllis Brown, sophomore.

Henson of Stanton taking runner up.
For the third flight, it was Don mith of Monahans, winner, and Elmer Madding, Odessa, runner-up. Consolation winner was Brewer Lanehart of Iraan, followed by Ray Boggs, Rankin
Fourth flight winner was Joe Thomas of Midkiff with a 39 onlwed by C. F. Docson, was F. Wise of Coldsmith while runner up was Ivan Bookout of Rankin

FOOTBALL GAME MAY BE CALLED AS SICKNESS PLAGUES RANKIN TEAM

Rankin is scheduled to meet the
with almost 18 per cent of the enrollment absent. It was estimated that absenteeism would likely have been even higher but for the fact chat this week is the time for 6 week's test and a number of students are attempting to "tough it out" in order to take their exams All athletic activities scheduled were in danger of having to be cancelled. As of Wednesday, it was not definite whether or not the Red Devils would be able to take he field against ${ }^{-}$Marfa Friday night.
Should they do so, it was said that the Oct. 12 "B" game with Stanton would be cancelled. A junor high game with Big Lake on Oct. 10 was also in doubt.

SCHOOL YEARBOOKS
ON SALE OCT. 7-11
H. G. Adams. principal of Rankin High School, has announced the school yearbook, "The Red Devil," is now being sold for the current year. Sales were begun Monday and will continue through Friday Price for this year's book will be $\$ 2.50$ if paid in full at this time; or a $\$ 1$ deposit can be made at the time orders are placed, and $\$ 2$ paid at the time of delivery, making a total of $\$ 3.00$. Delivery date will be approximately Sept. 1, 1958.

MRS. GOSSETT SAID TO BE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED
Mrs. J. D. Gossett, wife of D
Gossett, was said to be slightly improved at the middle of this wee as she rested in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo following an acute heart condition which edeveloped last Wednesday. For some time, it was feared that her condition was most serious but it is now hoped that she is making a recovery
Dr. Gossett has been in San An gelo with his wife since her confinement but is expected to be back at his office the latter part of this week if Mrs. Gossett continues to show improvement
Her address is Room 408, Shan non Hospital, San Angelo

Mrs. Effie Ernest had as her guest this week-end
Brooks of Brownwood.

Marfa Shorthorns in a non-conerence game here Friday night Earty Wednesday morning, Coach Don Leach and school officials were still watching developments of the flu" conditions on the football eam to decide whether or not to cancel the contest.
As of Wednesday morning, Coach Leach said that four of his starters, including backs Leslie Young and Wayne Windham and center Charles Allen and tackle James Farrow were confined to Rankin Hospital with the disease. Bobby McAden and Joe Hamilton, both key men in the Red Devil squad were also said to be suffering from colds.
These, plus an assortment of injuries and sore spots, have left the Red Devil squad with a number of positions manned by freshmen or shifted players, new to the positions.
Plagued all year by sickness, this is the second round of the "flu" or the Red Devil team and this time it is taking its heaviest toll At one time, 18 boys were out from the squad and only 1 day in the seven weeks of play has every player been on the field for prac-

MARFA UNCERTAIN
Marfa is also said to be in poor condition for the game due to the disease which has swept the nation. Last week they cancelled the.r game with Van Horn and have only played three contests this year.
Should the game be played, there is little to determine at this time which team would be the most likely to win the contest. Neither is a strong squad when at full strength, Marfa having lost all of their games this season and the Red Devils sporting a 2 won and 3 lost record.
However, if the contest is held, Marfa will definitely have the advantage in weight and will be playing a team composed of mostly juniors.
Coach for the Shorthorns is A. A. Dawson with J. R. Smith as assistant.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Weaver and son, Jimmy, of Big Spring visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dell cooledge, in Rankin over the week-

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 MOON BEAMSWith the announcement this past week that the communist of Russia have clobbered us in the race to launch the first man-made moon, we should find a considerable amount of good.
First, it ought to wake us up. We have rested on our laurels just about long enough in this matter of thinking that nobody-but nobody can be better at anything than we are. Well, the Russians are better at launching the little moons if that's important.
Second, it ought to make us realize that this is a mighty fast world we're living in and that there's probably a good deal more to this business of space travel than most of us think. At leasttaking the meaning of space travel in terms of flying around the world at great altitudes and fantastic speeds. Whether or not we are any closer to getting to the moon or Mars is open to debate.

Another promising aspect of the launching goes back to the old saying that the moon inspires romance. Wow-look at the possibilities here.

DEVILS IN LIONS DEN
Way back in ancient times old Daniel walked into a den of lions and calmed the beasts but last Friday night, nothing that Rankin's Red Devils could offer the Ozona Lions seemed to appease their desire for more points on the scoreboard.
By their 40-0 walloping of the local lads, the Lions seemed to be trying to prove some sort of point or replay their match with Iraan by outdoing the 33-0 marker the Braves hung on the Devils. At any rate, it was not altogether unexpectea by anyone and leaves little to be said other than turning to the consolation of "every dog having his day."
Somehow we feel that the Red Devils are approaching their time at bat before too many more seasons. -
This week, we face the Marfa Shorthorns who have had what little horns they may possess
knocked down to a nub over the Among them is Joe Simpson who past two or three seasons. On paper is one of the best sports fans we and by past performances, they know. Joe is interested in just ashould be easy going for the Red bout any and all sports and is a .
Most likely-they will be everything but easy.
Any team that can scrape up eleven boys to play football wants to win a game now and then and Marfa is long overdue. When they come to Rankin Friday night, there can be no denying that they will be playing a team that they will feel they can beat.
They will know that Rankin is in the process of rebuilding and that we are short on experience. This will be their chance. Look out. Out of five games played thus far by the Devils, they have only fooled us one time-their 7-6 loss to Eldorado. Friday night, we're almost afraid to say-but being loyal at least-we'll take Rankin by somehow and someway

## PERSONALITTES

Rankin has its fair share of folks ho have their own little oddities ho have their own little putt hit the side of then Dunn's putt hit the side of the drag and "banked" off, the opponent observmighty good man to listen to on a little crosseyed from watching overy move of the world series last veek.
Another Rankinite who never seems to fade away is Walton Poage who is still given credit of being one of the top ropers in West Texas even though it's been at least 10 years since he was on the rodeo circuit.
Norman Elrod is one of the most versitile. He owns race horses which he has seen race only 1 time. Last Sunday he acted as "pro" for he golf tournament and has never hit a golf ball.
Playing a pretty fair game for country boy in last week's tournament, Dunn Lowery was "showing 'em how" and was on the green to putt. One of his opponents-who did not know Lowery personallymant abserv-।


The Rankin (Tox.) Ne Thursday, October 10,
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Youth Conservation Is Study Club Topic
"Youth Conservation" was the topic presented to the Rankin Study Club at the Park Building Thursday, October 3rd, at 4 o'clock
Mrs. M. J. Edwards was leader of the program in the absence of Mrs. Herbert Hurn. Linda Harral and Ruth McGill discussed youth and some of its problems. Linda's topic was "Qualities and Values which constitute good teen-age citizenship." "What Should Teen-age Attitude toward Education $\mathrm{Be}^{\prime}$ was Ruth's topic.
Mrs. Edwards discussed the library and teen-agers. Mrs. Harral pointed out the success of the local youth center as an aid to good citizenship.
Music was presented by Andra Mitchell, accompanied by Judy Williams.
Hostesses were Mesdames Walton Harral and A. B. McGill.

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Cathedral candles in branched the edge of the full train in back candelabra formed a background Miss Stephani Hisey was maid of for the ceremony when Miss da Beth Gibson exchanged wedaing vows with Johnny Mack Cutbirth at 2 pm . Saturday, Sept. 28 in the First Presbyterian Church in Odessa. Officiating for the double ring rites was Rev. Joe M. Brown, pastor.
The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. C. F. Gibson II of Odessa. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr and Mrs. S. M. Cutbirth also of Odessa.
Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a handsome gown of white satin and lace with high neckline and fitted bodice Long lace sleeves tapered to points over the hands. The bouffant satin skirt was designed with a wide inverted V shaped apron with scaloped edges flowing to the hemline and forming a lace band around
tended the football game and home coming activities at Fort Stockton last Saturday night.

Nolan Adams and Herbert Hurn students at S.A.C., spent last weekend in Rankin with their parents.

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Lottie Moon Circle Elects New Officers
The Lottie Moon Circle of Rankin Baptist Church met Monday morning at the church. Mra. Zack Monroe conducted the Bible study on "Women of Destiny of the New Testament."
During business session the following officers were elefted for the Circle: chairman, Mrs. Sam Holmes; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. H. Wheeler; prayer chairman Mrs. Zack Monroe; mission chair man, Mrs. R. L. Pierce; community missions, Mrs. M. J. Edwards; ste wardship chairman, Mrs. Tyson Midkiff.
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Mrs. Deryl Bishop, who formerly lived in Midland and was the trainer there for several years, is now the District Director and will con duct the course.

Rev. McAden Speaks
To WSCS Meeting
The Bible Study Circle of the WS.C.S. met at the Methodist Church for regular Bible stuay Thursday evening. The Rev. Lynn McAden conducted the study which was the "Introduction to the Book of John."
Next meeting will be held October 17 th at the Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m.
The Circle invites all who are interested in organized study of the Bible.
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