

# The Rankin News

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Deadline—

INJUNCTION HITS DIRT HAULING, ROAD DRAGGING, ETC. --

## TAXES GOING SLOW HERE

More than a week remains before the deadline on January 31 when Upton County voters had to pay their 300 poll taxes. This year has been slow for even an average year. Usual poll tax sales on the county range upwards to over

to have any voting in all in Upton County. There is going to be an effort to rush these last few weeks. Eckols, tax collector for Upton County has stated. He said that the subject in McCamey is now that he would be a week-end to issue the

three elections—school, state Senator—will be held, all requiring a poll tax. Special elections would be called through which would also require a poll tax for eligibility.

Dimes Drive—

## TO STAGE ON SAT.

On Saturday, January 28, a big drive for the benefit of the March of Dimes is being held between the Brown and the Cub Scouts. The groups will assemble at a point on Main Street to begin their solicitations. Each dime given to the two groups will entitle the particular group to a special privilege.

Long will be in charge of the drive and anyone who wishes to assist him is welcome. A challenge contest to see which organization can collect the most money for the Dimes

Scouts will also make a drive on Saturday. They will be in full-dress uniform and accompanied by their parents. The drive will get underway at 4:45 p.m.

## Scheduled Hospital for Rankin

Neas of Odessa, the president of the Texas Association of Hospital Auxiliaries, is in Rankin this Thursday, January 26. Mrs. Neas comes on the invitation of the Rankin Hospital Auxiliary. (Continued on Page 5)

# Court Order Tells County To Stop Work For Individuals

For almost six months now, a slow-moving law suit, filed last August in District Court, has been moving toward a show-down on the long-time practice of county dirt hauling and other uses of the county's road equipment for the benefit of individuals including the scraping and cutting of roads

on ranches, hauling and filling of lots in town, scraping off of lots and similar acts that have been performed from time to time by the county commissioners for a good many years at the request of citizens.

All of this has now been brought to a halt. At least, according to

a judgment handed down this past week by the 83rd District Court, Judge J. H. Starley presiding for Pat Patterson who disqualified himself from hearing the case, if all commissioners honor the judgment and it is assumed that they will since violation of District Court orders usually carry a stiff

fine and possible jail sentence. Injunctions were being prepared by the County Clerk and were to be served against each of the four commissioners this week.

### McCAMEY MAN FILES SUIT

Last August, Russell Arnold, owner of Arnold Trucking Company of McCamey, filed a law suit in the 83rd District Court seeking a permanent injunction to halt the use of county equipment for private use in Precinct 3 where E. K. Bufford is commissioner. This suit was later amended to take in all four commissioners and Upton County as a whole since the law says that one commissioner cannot be charged separately for actions of the county as a whole.

In his suit, Arnold stated that "... the defendants have been using road machinery, trucks and other construction equipment for private purposes for the citizens of Upton County, Texas, free of charge; and they have been cleaning off lots, filling in lots, hauling for private use, and otherwise using county equipment for personal benefits not on the public roads."

His Petition continued: "because of the aforesaid use of public machinery for private purpose, the plaintiff is deprived of the opportunity of having his time and equipment gainfully employed..."

While the suit was against Bufford, he employed John A. Menefee as his defense attorney and started out to fight the matter in court. When the charges were altered to take in all four commissioners, Menefee withdrew from the case.

At various times, the commissioners court called in private attorneys and questioned them on their fees for defending the case. In the end, it was decided to use Steve Preslar, then county attorney, who had volunteered his services free of charge. Jack Bundrant, Big Lake attorney, was the lawyer for the plaintiff Arnold.

The matter rocked along in this situation for the remainder of 1960 with several discussions being held from time to time by both sides.

### JUDGMENT ENTERED

Finally, early in January, an agreement was reached between the commissioners on one side and Arnold on the other and the case (Continued on Page 4)

# 4-H CLUB LIVESTOCK SHOW TO BE STAGED HERE SATURDAY

Saturday, January 28 will be the date for the 1961 Upton County 4-H Club Livestock Show. Originally scheduled for January 14, the show was moved to the 28th date in order to give contractors time to complete the new bus shed at the Rankin Schools, site of this year's show. The location of the show, on which workmen were putting the finishing touches early in the week, is on 12th Street, West of the High School Gym.

Weighing in will start at 4:00 o'clock and judging at 6:30. Beginning at about 5:30, a barbecue supper will be available to the public at the school cafeteria.

General Superintendent for the show is Mr. Jack Garner with Mr. Bill Sims, County Agent from Mertzon, as the Judge. Walton Harral, Joe Montgomery and Alfred Helmers will act as the Pens Committee while Bill Ramsey and Norman Elrod will be in charge of sales.

### CONTESTANTS NAMED

Approximately 150 lambs will be entered in the event with the following club members competing in competition that will select the winners of the various divisions plus the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion:

Charles Alkinson, Rusty Garner, Virginia Harral, Glenda Huffaker, Jack Johnson, Linda Montgomery, Emmitt McGill, Mike Poynor,

Tommy Sheffield, Roxie Trowbridge, Roy Van Winter, Alberto Gonzelos, Dan Humphries, Sonny Allen, Katy Garner, Vickie Helmers, Judy James, Murray Merriman, Janice Montgomery,

Tommy Lynn McNeal, Rickey

Poynor, Corkey Thornton, Doris Trowbridge, Ralph Tournade, Deborah Day, Garry Huffaker, Neal Montgomery, Jimmy James, Jer-

ry McDonald, Lara Ann McVeal, James Ruthledge, David Trowbridge, Bob Shelby and Zeta Tournade.



**RECEIVES AWARD**—R. L. Bell, a resident of Rankin for 29 years and local agent for the Santa Fe, received the Silver Beaver Award recently at the Concho Valley Boy Scout's annual banquet held in San Angelo. The Silver Beaver is the highest award given in Scouting for outstanding work and long service. Bell has worked with Boy Scouts since 1934 and has served in a number of positions, both locally and in the District.



# THE SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

## TO A HALT—

Off and on for a good long time there has been talk of getting the county out of the dirt hauling business. Now, with the judgment handed down recently by the 83rd District Court, it would appear that just that has happened.

It will be interesting to see what effect this has on folks who have depend on the county to haul dirt, build roads, clean out cattle guards, etc. It was a practice of long standing and one which had become more or less accepted as a part of the duties of the county. Actually, the law is said to be a little vague on this matter as to whether it is illegal or not. Most counties have practiced it to some extent.

Here in Upton County, there is a possibility that it has been carried a little farther than in most places and more than once there has been complaints from private dirt contractors that the county was doing work that should have been left for private contractors. Such was the contention of Russell Arnold when he originally filed the suit.

On the other hand, various taxpayers have contended that they were entitled to some consideration, particularly the oil companies who have felt that the county should maintain roads to such installations as oil camps. In town, local citizens have also come to depend on the county for dirt hauling for their yards and ranchers have had some benefits of work on their ranch roads.

If the judgment is honored to its full extent, all of this is now a thing of the past—at least as long as the restraining injunctions are in effect and the wording used in issuing them said "Perpetual".

Now, I for one, have never held with the county doing work that should have been let to private contractors and paid for by those receiving the benefits. I don't believe, however, that much of this type of thing has gone on in Rankin unless you call hauling a load or two of dirt for yards interference with private enterprise

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and in the case of Rankin, not many in the dirt hauling business have ever shown much interest in hauling a load or two for a yard since such small jobs are seldom profitable.

But, all that is now a mute question and—as it now stands—if you feel the need for some new dirt in the yard, you can prepare to bend the old back on the end of a shovel and dig your own.

And of course, assuming that no more road dragging will be done on ranches, those who travel these roads can get set for a good shaking up as the chug holes get really big.

## THE TRAINEES—

Ran across a little item in last week Rankin News that might be a sign of the times. It stated that several Boy Scouts had been working around the Girl Scout house to earn credit on their badges.

When those boys get to be men they will find that sort of training mighty handy but it's doubtful that they will be given much credit and no badges.

For the past month, the family and I have been working on a project called "Fishpond" in the back yard. It was agreed that it would be a nice family project—one on which we could all work.

And we have all worked on it. The youngster of the family has found it an excellent place in which to hide from assorted outlaws and bandits while getting off a few shots in defense of the old fort. The cat and dog make good use of it for their wrestling matches and the daughter often brings her friends by to watch Papa dig and bust rock—sorta like an Egyptian princess showing off her slaves at work.

But it has its good points. The wife has been keeping me better fed than usual and keeps turning

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**POOP—**  
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all these pretty pictures is going to look when it d. That always makes a feel somewhat better. you don't have a fish heartily recommend that one as a family project. try to take in half the like we did. Buy you measure him, and then col to fit the durn thing.

**EX TIME—**

ast running out for the of poll taxes so you can year—and for an off-one could be more than

thing, there are now a- candidates running for the t. That ought to furn- ing to everybody's lik- there will be school and

city elections and these are al- ways hot ones in Rankin.

Then, here in Upton County, one can always expect an election to be called for one reason or a-

mother and—although none are in sight right now—it's better to be safe than sorry.

Remember to pay your poll tax before February 1 and the sooner

you pay, the easier it will be for you to get waited on and the easier it will be for those doing the issuing work.

**JOE SIMPSON'S FATHER BURIED IN NORTH CAROLINA**

Joe Simpson attended funeral services last Sunday in Black Mountain, North Carolina for his father, J. F. Simpson who passed away last week.

Mr. Simpson was 80-years-old at the time of his death.

**Workshop Conducted For Club Leadership**

Mrs. Paul Jacobs of Big Lake conducted a workshop for the officers, committee chairmen and department chairmen last Monday in the home of Mrs. Dunn Lowery for the Rankin Study Club. District reports were completed and plans for the district conference were discussed.

Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. R. L. Bell, both who serve as district chairmen, Mrs. Walton Harral, Mrs. W. O. Adams, Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, and her house guest, Mrs. Kate Holt of London, England, were present.

Mrs. Holt is making an extended tour of the United States.

**BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Monroe Yocham of Monahans are the parents of a son born January 14 at 9:38 a.m. in the Medical Center hospital in Odessa. He weighed 6 lbs., 10 ozs. and has been named Todd Monroe.

Maternal grandparent is Mr. Sam Bean of Kermit. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Yocham of Rankin and the great grandmothers are Mrs. L. P. Yocham of Quemando and Mrs. Zack Monroe of Rankin.

**P-TA Hears Speaker On 'Morals of Youth'**

Katheryn Secret Parent-Teacher Association met Thursday night, January 19 in the Elementary School Auditorium where Mr. W. O. Adams introduced District Judge Steve Preslar who spoke on "Morals of Youth".

Mrs. C. C. Taylor, president, presided at the business session. A report was heard from the Project Committee.

Hostesses were Mesdames Billie Currey, Leonard Garrett, O. R. Adams and Ross Wheeler.

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**TEXAS 4-H GIRL WINS NATIONAL AWARD** — Marie Oelkers of New Braunfels, center, receives \$1,100 in 4-H Club scholarship awards from Perry A. Wenzel of Sperry & Hutchinson Company, donors of the scholarship. Miss Oelkers, a University of Texas Junior, was winner of both S & H's \$300 state scholarship and the \$800 national award. The National 4-H Service Committee selected the future home economist to receive the awards before 500 fellow 4-H'ers at their annual Comal County picnic. Miss Nela Gyure, right, is the Comal County Home Demonstration Agent.

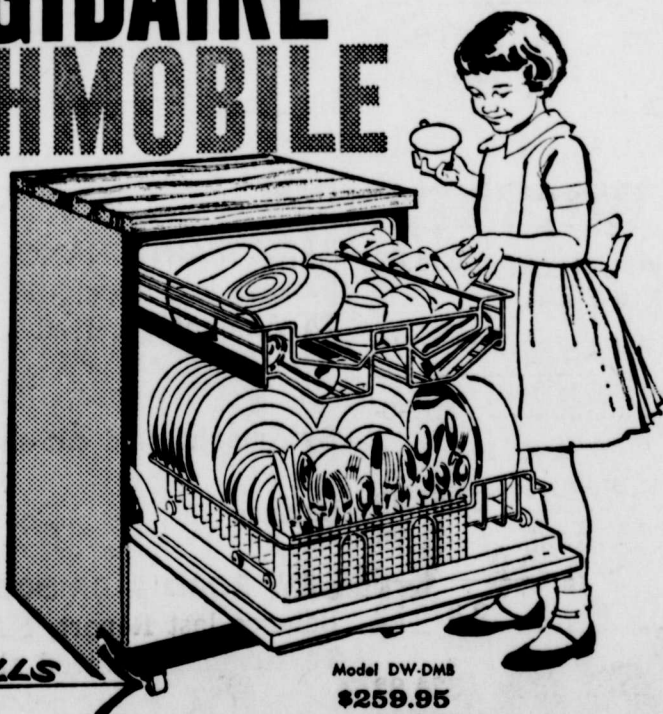
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**COURT ORDER—**

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was settled without going into court and a judgment was handed down which says in part: " It is therefore ordered, agreed and decreed that the Clerk of this Court issue a Writ of Perpetual Injunction restraining and enjoining Upton County from using the road machinery or other equipment of Upton County, Texas for the benefit of private persons by blading or scraping off lots, filling in lots or hauling dirt, sand, gravel or caliche, or using such equipment for the benefit of private persons by doing any form of soil or dirt work on private property, provided, however, that such road machinery and equipment of Upton County, Texas may be used for soil conservation and flood control as applicable laws of the State of Texas provide."

The judgment is signed by J. H. Starley, Judge, and Steve Preslar, attorney for the defendants, and Jack Bundrant, attorney for the plaintiff.

**Theta Rho Girls Club Picks New Officers**

The Theta Rho Girls Club met recently and elected their new officers for the year.

Those elected included Elsie Wheeler, president; Marie Pettit, vice-president; Linda Crow, secretary-treasurer; Winnie Farrow, marshal and Vickie Peel, chaplain. Mrs. Vaughn Holt was the installing officer.

Plans were made for the members to visit the McCamey Girls Club soon to discuss the district meeting which will be held in Rankin.

**UPTON COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT**

**REPORT OF ELIZABETH L. RAINS COUNTY TREASURER OF UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS, OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM SEPTEMBER 30 TO JANUARY 1, 1961, INCLUSIVE:**

**JURY FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	2,212.97
By Amount paid out since last Report	1,364.30
Amount to Balance First State Bank	848.67
Amount to Balance Security State Bank	15,000.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>15,847.34</b>

**ROAD & BRIDGE FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	21,294.69
To Amount received since last Report	13,761.44
	<b>35,056.13</b>
By Amount paid out since last Report	34,805.84
<b>Balance</b>	<b>250.29</b>

**GENERAL COUNTY FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	6,367.82
To Amount received since last Report	62,479.75
	<b>68,847.57</b>
By Amount paid out since last Report,	68,614.35
<b>Balance</b>	<b>233.22</b>

**PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	20.59
To Amount received since last Report	4.34
	<b>24.93</b>
By Amount paid out since last Report	24.93
<b>Balance</b>	<b>-0-</b>

**COURT HOUSE BOND SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	529.53
To Amount received since last Report	4,017.37
	<b>4,546.90</b>
By Amount paid out since last Report	4,467.39
Amount to Balance, First State Bank	79.51
Amount to Balance, Security State Bank	4,809.56
<b>Balance</b>	<b>4,889.07</b>

**LATERAL ROAD FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	11,109.43
<b>Balance</b>	<b>11,109.43</b>

**HOSPITAL WARRANT SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	530.48
To Amount received since last Report	4.34
	<b>534.82</b>
By Amount transferred to other funds, since last Report	534.82
<b>Balance</b>	<b>-0-</b>

**HOSPITAL SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	2,853.62
To Amount received since last Report	21.70
	<b>2,875.32</b>
To Amount transferred from other funds, since last Report	534.82
By Amount paid out since last Report	1,575.18
Amount to Balance, First State Bank	1,834.96
Amount to Balance, Security State Bank	18,177.29
<b>Balance</b>	<b>20,012.25</b>

**HOSPITAL FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960 (overdrawn)	
To Amount received since last Report	
By Amount paid out since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**TAX FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed (New Account)	
By Amount paid out since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**PARK BOND SINKING NO. 2 FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
Amount to Balance, First State Bank	
Amount to Balance, Security State Bank	
<b>Balance</b>	

**COURT HOUSE WARRANT SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed September 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
Amount to Balance, First State Bank	
Amount to Balance, Security State Bank	
<b>Balance</b>	

**LAW LIBRARY FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
By Amount paid out since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**ROAD & BRIDGE WARRANT SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**OFFICERS SALARY FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
By Amount paid out since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**PARK MAINTENANCE & OPERATING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
By Amount paid out since last Report	
<b>Balance</b>	

**NEW ROAD & BRIDGE SINKING FUND—**

Balance last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	
To Amount received since last Report	
Amount to Balance, First State Bank	
Amount to Balance, Security State Bank	
<b>Balance</b>	

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### Sale To Benefit in Polio Drive

A sale for the benefit of the Polio Drive will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 28, at the post office. Participating in the sale will be the Golf Club and both chapters of the Beta Club. All money collected will go to the Dimes Drive. A large amount of cakes and pies will be offered.

### HOSPITAL AUXILIARY— (Continued from Page 1)

Rankin Study Club, which recently voted to sponsor an auxiliary for the Rankin Hospital.

A meeting will be held in the County Courtroom at 7:30 p.m. at which time Mrs. Neas and others will assist in the organizational plans. County commissioners, hospital personnel and officials, representatives from various civic organizations and all citizens interested in the organization of a hospital auxiliary are invited to attend this meeting. There are no obligations attached to attending

the meeting.

"Please come and hear the plans explained," the Study Club has said.

### Former Rankinite Dies In Accident

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. in Alpine Wednesday, January 25 for Bob Dod, former Rankin ranch foreman. Dod was killed in a hunting accident early in the week in Van Horn when his gun accidentally discharged as he removed it from his pick-up.

While they resided in Rankin, Mrs. Dod was employed as an elementary teacher in Rankin Public Schools. They moved back to Van Horn, their former home, where Mr. Dod was in charge of a ranch.



Suburban living fast is becoming a pleasant way of life as new machines are put in the market to simplify outdoor household chores through mechanization. More of such conveniences are in prospect, too. Latest entry is this International Cub Cadet, a compact lawn and garden tractor.

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### SECURITL FUND—

Last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	2,957.90
Amount received since last Report	4,609.31
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	7,567.21
Amount paid out since last Report	5,124.41
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	2,442.80

### BOND SINKING NO. 1 FUND—

Last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	808.01
Amount received since last Report	1,337.50
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	2,145.51
Amount paid out since last Report	902.25
Balance, First State Bank	1,243.26
Balance, Security State Bank	2,000.00
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	3,243.26

### IMPROVEMENT SINKING FUND—

Last Report, Filed Sept. 30, 1960	1,107.74
Amount received since last Report	17.37
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	1,125.11
	162.50
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	1,287.61
Amount paid out since last Report	798.75
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	488.86

### COLLATION—

	First State Bank and Security State Bank
Balance	15,848.67
Bridge Fund Balance	250.29
County Fund Balance	233.22
House Bond Sinking Fund Balance	4,889.07
Improvement Fund Balance	-0-
Road Fund Balance	1,109.43
Warrant Sinking Fund Balance	-0-
Sinking Fund Balance	20,012.25
Fund Balance	27.29
Balance	477,250.84
Sinking No. 2 Fund Balance	4,091.21
House Warrant Sinking Fund Balance	1,381.27
County Fund Balance	286.83
Bridge Warrant Sinking Fund Balance	21,530.81
Salary Fund Balance	2,003.75
Maintenance & Operating Fund Balance	218.96
Bond Sinking Fund Balance	164,509.18
Security Fund Balance	2,442.80
Sinking No. 1 Fund Balance	3,243.26
Improvement Sinking Fund Balance	488.86
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	698,817.99

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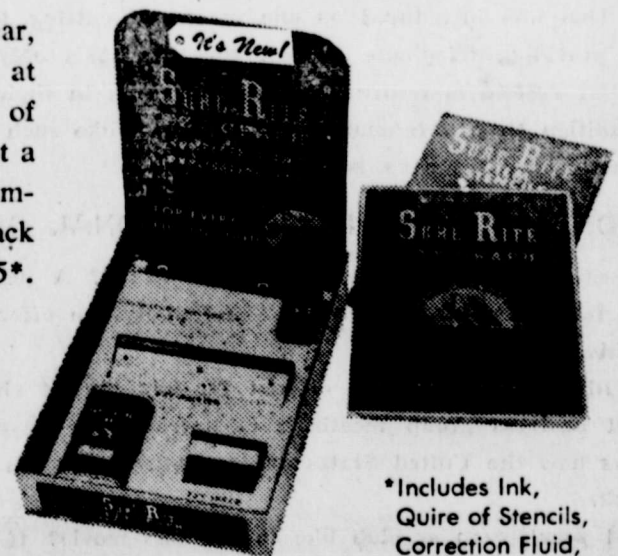
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## HOSPITAL NOTES

Mr. Silas Wood was admitted December 24.

Mrs. Tyson Midkiff was admitted January 10.

Pamla Simpson, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simpson of Rankin, was admitted on January 12 and dismissed January 19.

Mrs. Tom Lindsey of McCamey was admitted January 17 and dismissed January 20.

Larry Tournade, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Tournade of Midkiff, was admitted January 17 and dismissed January 21.

Corina Tarate, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Tarate of McCamey, was admitted January 17.

Mr. Joe McCarty of McCamey was admitted January 18.

Mrs. George Murry of Midkiff was admitted January 19 and dismissed January 22.

Bruce Hood, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill J. Hood of Rankin, was admitted January 20 and dismissed January 22.

Billy Cockrell, 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Cockrell of Midkiff was admitted January 23.

Mr. R. G. Cockrell of Midkiff was admitted January 23.

Mrs. Louise Kole of Rankin was admitted January 23.

Mrs. W. A. Sharp of Rankin was admitted January 24.

Mrs. Dora Hodges is spending the week in Midland with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Yocham.

ALL BRANDS of cigarettes on sale at Rankin Automatic Laund.

## Study Club Sponsors Hospital Auxiliary Meet Thursday Night

The Rankin Study Club met at the Rankin Park Building last Thursday for a regular meeting and a business session. Mrs. Dunn Lowery presided.

Roll call was answered with the name of a favorite author. Mrs. C. G. Taylor was the leader for the day's program. She introduced Mrs. A. B. McGill who spoke on "What America Is Reading". Mrs. McGill also had a display of the most popular books and the

best sellers that are on the market today.

The report of the hospital auxiliary was given in the form of a letter read by Mrs. Clint Shaw. The Rankin Study Club is sponsoring the hospital organization and all interested persons are urged to attend the meeting to be held at the Upton County Court House Thursday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m.

The county commissioners, hospital board and state representatives will be present.

The club was dismissed by repeating the club collect.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rains and Mrs.

## The Rankin (Tex.) Thursday, January

Zack Monroe served to 22 members.

Charlene West and side, students at Texas home last Saturday for vacation before returning spring semester.

Mrs. Norma Jean Nicher in the Carlsbad Pa. visited over the week-end parents, Mr. and Mrs.

— USE THE CLASS



## TELEPHONE TALK

by Mac Hudgins, Manager

### TELEPHONE SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS FOR RANKIN IN '61

As we move into the second year of the "Soaring Sixties," many of us in Rankin are busy with new plans for next year. The year ahead is always a new challenge... A new opportunity for each of us to do a better job.

Our job at the telephone company is to continue providing you with ever-improving telephone service.

One way of improving your telephone service is to offer you a wider range of things that make telephone service more convenient and enjoyable. Examples are the new Princess phone, color phones, wall phones, and the new home interphone now being introduced.

Another way is to expand the communications network, improve its quality, make it more efficient and trouble-free.

In 1961, we'll not only give you better service but we'll do it more efficiently. This is important, because greater efficiency helps fight inflation.

Our ability to achieve greater efficiency—through technical advances in the telephone business, innovations and new methods—helps make it possible for us to give you, at reasonable rates, telephone service that grows better year after year.

### IT MEANS SO MUCH

One of the advances we made in 1960 was the introduction of machine posting of payments for our telephone customers here in Rankin. This was introduced as one means of cutting the increasing costs of providing telephone service. However, it is only effective as long as our customers return the punched cards in their bills in the same condition they were mailed out. It seems like such a little thing to ask and yet "it means so much".

### IMPORTANT NEW FILM ON NATIONAL DEFENSE

How safe are we from enemy missile attack? A new color film, "Seconds for Survival," produced by the Bell System offers a dramatic and positive answer.

The film, which is being offered for showing at church, school, civic, and business group meetings, is narrated by Raymond Massey and shows how the United States defense network guards against enemy attack.

Would your group or club like to see this movie? If so, just call the telephone business office to make arrangements. There's no charge, of course. I hope you can see it soon.

Call by number. It's twice as fast.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



# PUBLIC NOTICE

## January 31st

### Is The Last Day

#### To Pay

## POLL TAXES

### PAY EARLY

## And Avoid The

### Late Rush

ALL POLL TAXES ARE PAYABLE AT THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IN THE COURTHOUSE. Tax Exemptions are issued without charge at the Tax Office.

H. E. "GENE" ECKOLS  
Tax Assessor-Collector  
Upton County

## Ad-Valorem Taxes Are Delinquent After January 31st



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# TAX PROOF



## Deductible Expense

is just one of the many values of having a checking account. Your cancelled checks are intimate proof of deductible expense for income tax purposes. And you can pay your 1958 income tax the safe, easy, time-saving way — with cancelled checks!

### FIRST STATE BANK

Member F.D.I.C.  
RANKIN, TEXAS



THE RANKIN NEWS

## Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO:

H. C. HANNAFORD, and wife,  
MRS. N. D. HANNAFORD  
C. L. LAYMAN  
LOLA ADKINS  
MRS. LOLA ADKINS  
M. CAHILL  
M. CHAILL  
A. D. LOCKE and wife KATIE  
LOCKE

MRS. KATIE LOCKE WILLIAMS, a widow  
CHARLES A. CURTIS, and wife  
HATTIE CURTIS  
N. H. SCOTT

WEST TEXAS LUMBER CO.  
B. B. HAIL, and wife MRS. MOLLIE L. HAIL, whose places of residence are unknown to plaintiffs, if living, and if dead, the unknown heirs of each, their heirs, and the unknown legal representatives of each, and if the unknown heirs of the named defendants are dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said defendants and their legal representatives; also the unknown wife or wives of the parties above named who are not so designated herein; also the unknown husband or husbands of the parties above named who are not so designated herein, their unknown heirs, their heirs, and legal representatives.

GREETINGS: You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 20th of February, A. D., 1961, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 83rd District Court of Upton County, at the Court House in Rankin, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 3rd day of January, 1961. The file number of said suit being No. 1434. The names of the parties in said suit are: T. L. George, Newton Key, Jr. and W. M. Harris, individually and as trustees of The First Baptist Church, McCamey, Texas, as Plaintiffs, and the persons named above in this citation as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: In statutory form of trespass to try title to Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block 80, Original Town of McCamey, Upton County, Texas, being a portion of Section 66, Block 35, H&TC RR Co. Grantee. Plaintiffs plead the ten year statutes of limitation and for cancellation of the vendor's lien and vendor's lien note reserved in the deed of June 27, 1929, from Mrs. Lola Adkins to M. Cahill, being recorded in Volume 35, page 21, Deed Records of Upton County, Texas; said lien being reserved against Lot 13 described herein, because the indebtedness has been paid and the notes and liens subject to release, the owner being unavailable to release same, and that the cloud be removed from the title to said lot.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 3rd day of January A. D., 1961.

Given under my hand and seal

## Mrs. Edwin Autrey Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. Edwin Autrey was honored Friday evening with a layette shower and bridge party in the home of Mrs. Marcus Price.

The serving table was laid with a cut-work cloth and centered with a blue bassinet filled with pink flowers. Hostesses were Mesdames Price, Robert Peacock and Don Wilkinson.

### CARD OF THANKS

WE'D like to express our gratitude to our many friends who were so kind with their offerings of flowers, cards and sympathy during the passing of our father and the illness of our daughter.

THE JOE SIMPSON FAMILY

NEW EQUIPMENT now in operation at the Rankin Automatic Laundry.

of said Court, at office in Rankin, Texas, this the 3rd day of January A. D., 1961.

/s/ Nancy K. Daugherty, Clerk  
83rd District Court Upton County, Texas  
(SEAL)

## WESTERN PARTY HELD

Four Sixth Grade students were host to a group of junior high students at a Western Party last Friday night at the Park Building. Hosts were Sharon Woodfin, Mike Wheeler, Candy Mermis and Jimmy Pettit.

Sponsors were Mrs. Neal Woodfin, Mrs. Ross Wheeler, Mrs. J. B. Pettit and Marvin Mermis.

## Exemplar Chapter Makes Dimes Plans

The Xi Epsilon Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Carolyn Hood for the first meeting of the new year.

The president, Mae Price, called the meeting to order and a discussion was made. It was voted to have a game night for benefit of Polio. The date will be decided later. Also, the sorority voted to replace the trees in the new city park that did not live with new ones.

The program was presented by Edith James, assisted by her daughter, Judy. The theme of the presentation was on "The Sense of Touch".

After the program, the hostess served refreshments to those present.

## NOTICE TO GAMBLERS

Now this heading may cause lots of folks to feel that it does not apply to them . . . but are you sure? Have you been gambling that you won't need insurance? Have you felt that your old policies were large enough to cover any loss you might have? You, too, may be a gambler . . . betting against uneven odds.

Better check with us and get the latest facts on insurance . . . you may not want to gamble when you learn how little it costs to be on the safe side.

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**SKINNER SPAGHETTI**  
2 BOXES ..... **25c**

Woodbury's Hand & Body  
LOTION—\$1.10 size for ..... **55c**

Jack Sprat Cooked  
BUTTER BEANS ..... can **15c**

SWEET SIXTEEN  
OLEO ..... 5 LBS. **\$1.**



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Cooks Better - Looks Better

**SKINNER MACARONI**  
2 PACKAGES ..... **25c**

Jack Sprat Cut—303's  
GREEN BEANS ..... 2 for **33c**

Jack Sprat—303 can  
CORN ..... 2 for **39c**

MEADS  
BISCUITS ..... 10 CANS **\$1.**

Stokely's 303 can  
PIE CHERRIES ..... 2 for **49c**

Stokely's 14 oz. bottle  
CATSUP ..... **21c**

SCHILLINGS  
COFFEE ..... LB. CAN **69c**

GANDY'S  
ICE CREAM ..... Half Gallon **79c**

Powdered or Brown  
SUGAR—lb. box ..... 2 for **29c**

NEW NEW



1 lb. box **27c**

SHORTENING 3 Lb. Tin  
**CRISCO** ..... **79c**

Stokely's Sliced  
PEACHES ..... No. 2 1/2 can **29c**

GIANT SIZE BOX  
**OXYDOL** ..... **69c**

GRADE A POUND  
GUARANTEED MEATS  
**FRYERS** ..... **37c**

1 LB. PKG.  
BACON ..... **49c**

PORK CHOPS ..... POUND **59c**  
Fully Cooked Picnic Shoulder LB.  
HAM ..... **39c**

FRUITS — VEGETABLES  
10 LB. BAG Per Bag  
**Potatoes** ..... **49c**

JUMBO POUND  
YAMS ..... **11c**

CELLO BAG 2 BAGS  
CARROTS ..... **25c**

FROZEN FOODS  
FROZEN 2 PKGS.  
STRAWBERRIES ..... **43c**  
Gulf Stream, Breaded 10 oz. pk.  
SHRIMP ..... **59c**

**CASHWAY GROCERY AND MKT**

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CLASSIFIED ADS



MINIMUM cost of Classified Ad put on Charge Account: \$1.00.

LOST: Last week, Rankin High School Senior Class Ring, year 1961 with initials "E. W.". Reward. Call My 3-2215.

WILL TRADE: '55 Model International 1/2-Ton Pickup in A-1 condition for automobile. Phone MY 3-2471.

LARGE, EFFICIENT dryers now in operation at Rankin Automatic Laundry.

TOOLS: 6" Crescent Wrench—8" Pliers—6 pc. Ratchet Screw Driver Set—8" Stillson—No. 10 Block Plane—9" Torpedo Level—6" Utility Pliers—4 pc. Cold Chisel Set—5" Water Pump Pliers: Choice, 99c. L. Porter Johnson's.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: All or any part of my Rankin property at low price and easy terms with or without lots. Trade for anything of value. E. C. Higday, MY 3-2563.

PIPE FITTINGS — Ells — Tees — Unions — Bushings — Reducers — Couplings — Plugs — Caps — Nipples Etc. Sizes 1/8" to 3". L. Porter Johnson's.

WATER WELL DRILLING and Windmill work. Agent for Peerless Pumps. Phone MY 3-2780, Merle L. Tournade.

PLUMBING SUPPLIES — Sink Faucets — Lavatory Faucets — "P" Traps — "S" Traps — Ballcocks — Tank balls — Floats, etc. L. Porter Johnson's.

FOR RENT: 1 small house with all utilities furnished. 1 large house, furnished. On Buckland Street. Mrs. Zack Monroe, MY 3-2365.

COLEMAN FUEL for lanterns & stoves— Qt. size: 75c — Gallon size: \$1.49. L. Porter Johnson's.

FOR SALE: 1 Corner, 2 Inside Lots 75x140 ft. on Holmes St. between 12th and 13th. R. L. Bell

WANTED: Ironing and sewing in my home. Specialize in Western Shirts, Button Hole Work and Alterations. Mrs. Curley Cowen.

BICYCLE TIRES and Tubes: 20" 24" and 26" size. Also Tire Seal. L. Porter Johnson's.

NOW YOU CAN RENT the Glamorene Electric Rug Brush that dry-cleans your carpeting as bright and fresh as the day they were new! Also, for sale: Glamorene Dry-Cleaner for rugs, half gallon size \$1.98, economy gallon for \$3.29. Low rally rental rates. Wallace Lumber Co. Ph. 3-283.1.

SPRAY ENAMEL—The easy way to paint—All standard colors. Use on wood or metal. 16-oz. can, \$1.39. L. Porter Johnson's.

FOR SALE: Small-size Philco Deepfreeze. Mrs. Jack Smith. Ph. My 3-2309 or 3-2284.

BOLTS — Machine & Carriage Head— Sizes 3/16x1/2 to 7/8 16—Also steel bolts in coarse & fine thread. L. Porter Johnson's.

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WANTED  
The Rankin Golf Club has a number of more chairs for the clubhouse. Anyone who has chairs that would care to donate them, either in good condition or in need of repair, please call MY 3-2311 to have them picked up. Also, anyone who has rowed chairs from the clubhouse has not yet returned them. Please do so.

FOR SALE  
SEALED BIDS will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Rankin Independent School District addressed to W. H. Business Manager, Rankin, Texas, and received before February 2, 1961. 1 1949 Chevrolet Sedan 1 1951 Ford V-8 Sedan 1 22-ft. Serrel Deepwell 1 250-Gal. Propane Tank The board of trustees reserves the right to reject any bid.

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