# The Rankin News ino Seruing the Interesto of Rankin and Mpion County 

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# Santa Coming on Saturday; Big Party Will Be Staged <br> should be on their best behavior 



## day.

That's right. By special arrange ment with the Rankin Lions Club. The Rankin Volunteer Fire Department and the Merchant's Development Association, the fellow

## Holidays to Start

Dec. 21 in Rankin
Holidays for Rankin Schools are to begin at $2: 30$. Friday, December 21 . Classes will resume at the regular time Wednesday, January

On the business scene, most of the lozal firms plan to stay open Christmas Eve, closing for a oneday holiday on December 25. A few have indicated that they will close December 25 and 26.
County offices are to be clos. ed from December 22 until December 26. The fun will start at 2:00 pm. with a big. hour and a half showing of cartoons at the Ford Theatre. This will be followed by the visit from Santa and the passing out of bags of candy, nuts a nd fruit.
At 4:00 p.m., which is a thirtyminute step-up from its regular time, the MDA free drawing will be held in front of the theatre. Winners in this drawing must be present when their name is drawn
in order to receive a prize.
During the picture show and the Santa visit, members of the sponsoring organizations will be on hand to mind the children in order that parents may be free to do shopping if they so desire.
"This Christmas party is for all the children in this area and Midkiff," a member of the Lions Club, originators of the yearly event, has pointed out, "and we want everybody to feel free to come and join in the fun."

## Fire Scare Gives

Time-Out for Classes
Rankin junior high students got some extra outside time last Wednesday morning in whiwh to enjoy the spring-like temperatures which prevalled at the time when their building was emptied be cause of a fire scare
Classes had just began for the morning when the science room on the first floor of the building was found to be full of smoke.
The fire bell was sounded, the students emptied the buiding and the fire department was summonsed. Then the trouble began No fire could be found. No source of smoke could be located.
Classes were adjourned until after a $10: 30$ assembly program and the search for the cause o smoke was continued.
It still has not been located. But one good thing came out of the scare-other than the free time out of class. A couple of electrical outlets that had not been working in the science lab were performing perfectly afterwards.

This Week's
Basketball
DEC. 20-22
Ackerley Sands Tourney
High Sichool
Girls and Boys

Free Turkey Offered At Dec. 24 Drawing

In addition to Christmas parties and free drawings that are being offered in Rankin at this time of the year, another attraction has been added. Hursts Barbecue will furnish a full sized, fully cooked turkeywith dressing-for some lucky person's Christmas dinner
All that is necessary for one to partisipate in this drawing is for him to sign up at Hursts. Drawing will be held at $4: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Monday, December 24. The winner will be asked to pick up the prize before $8: 00 \mathrm{p.m}$. on that date.
New Year's Eve

## Dance Scheduled

A big New Year's Eve public dance is being planned by the American Legion on December 31 at the Legion Hall in McCamey. A good band has been engaged for the dance with startirs tme at $9: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Festivities will close at 1:00 a.m.
Free favors will be furnsited. Admission price has been set at $\$ 4$ per couple and everyo... has been invitod to attend.

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J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor


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Thursday, Dec. 20, 1962 christmas partyCuristmas Party-
Don't let age get in the way of your fun at the Christmas Party
in Rankin Saturday. Join right in in Rankin Saturday. Join right in.
Even if you don't attend in per-

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## Area Historian Tells Of Famous Jigger Y

a speech given by Mrs. Paul
Patterson of Crane before the
Upton County Historical Society
at their meeting tast week con-
cerning the Jigger Y or Mc-
Elroy Ranch.
J. T. McElroy of Ohio bought
the Y's from TX (Union Beef

Needless to say those with pets, or those who still have their pets,
will want to be on the lookout or poisoned meat of any kind in their yards or alleys. people with small whildren to be on guard. There will be no pleasure in anyone saying "I told you so," but if this periodic poisoning of animals is kept up, there is going to be sad consequences the day a child becomes a vistim.

Company of Chicago) in 1894. The ranch was then in the hands of receivers and Mr. McElroy just got a remanant of cattle. The ranch ran from Odessa south a long way. There was about 40 miles on each side of the (Pecos) river The TX-McElroy deal probably nvolved only University land-ainvolved only University land-a-
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of leased school land.

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The 1908-1910 drought wiped out the nesters, so Mr. McElroy bought their land and finally accumulated around 70,000 acres in this manner. Mr. McEiroy's brother manner. Mr. McEiroy's brother
homesteaded four sections above homesteaded four sections ab
headquarters at "Single Well." In the drought of 1908-10, Harve Mayfield took two heards of the $Y$ cattle to Fort Summer, New Mexibo. He and Jeff McGee brought these back in 1912.

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Boys, Girls Teams to Sands Tournament

Rankin High School boys and girls basketball teams will go to Ackerley Thursday, December 20 to participate in the three-day Sands Tournament. Both teams are to open against Loop.
Others seeing action will be the host sehool, Borion, Klondike, Flower Grove, Urancia A and B for the boys, ead Stanton in prace of Coahoma $\mathbf{B}$ for the girls. In the Forsan tournament las week, the Rankin girls met thei first defeat of the season at the hands of Coahoma, eventu
ners of the tournament
In action last Tuesday night, the boys lost a one-pint dewiston
to the McCamey Badgers after having a one-point lead going into the final seven seconds of the game, Score was 45-44.
The girts team had little trouble as they coasted to an easy win over the McCamey girls.
No action is scheduled this week for the junior high teams.

Historical Society Hears Patterson

Miss Maggie Taylor and Mrs,
Opal Nix were hostesses for the
Upton County Historical Saciety Thursday evening.
Fruit cake and coffee were serv ed to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howard. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Higday Mrs. J. L. Clark. Mrs. Anna Wolf, Miss N. Ethie Eagleton, Mrs. Now Daugherty, Mrs. H. D. Shaw, Mrs Zack Monroe, Mrs. Jack Smith and Mr. Paul Patterson
After a short business meeting, Mrs. Clark introduced Mr. Patterson of Crane who gave a history of the Jigger Y or McElroy ranch

Girl Scouts Continue Yule Tree Sales

Rankn Girl scouts were con this week and reported that they full hat a fain selection fro whinh to choose
They pian to offer the trees a long as their supply holds out and customers are available

## CARD OF THANKS

WE WISH to express our thanks and appreciation to the people of Rankin for their kindness twoard us following the loss of our home Dec. 5 by fire.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Snyder

## Now See Here

Christmas is when mother has to separate the men from the toys.


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Commissioners Buy
New Dirt Loader
court is scheduled to hold their
last meeting of the year. The new county judge, Allen

In their regular meeting held
on Monday, December 10 , the Upton County Commissioners Court approved reports and attended to other business transactions
Among these was approval of a request by Rankin Lions Club to erect a sign over the rodeo arena, naming it the Dub Day $4-\mathrm{H}$ Club Arena, the approval of a pipeline permit and the purchase of a new loader.
The bid of Western Machine Co of Abilene, at $\$ 14.858$ for the loader and attachments, was accepted.


THE RANKIN NEWS

# YOL'RE IVIITEID To Attend The UPTON COUNTY 4-H CLUB LIVESTOCK SHOW AND LAM - A - RAMA DAY Saturday, January 12th ranKII, Texas 

## Sheep Show

School Bus Barn
6:30 F. М.

## Lam-A-Rama

Elementary Cafeteria 4:00 P. M.
the jigger y-
(Continued from Page 3 1 Harve

In the year 1900 , Mr. McEliroy was running 10,000 cattle. About this time it was hard to say which was the wilder. the cows or the cowboys.
Bosses succeeding Harve were Tom Burk who came in 1924 and stayed oniy a few months, Tom Three Persons, who was Indian.

He was followed by John Hunnicutt; the Hogan boy of Midand was next; Fount Armstrong in 1927. Buck Kelton rame Juty 17 1931 and is still there.
The 204 section ranch is now cut into 32 pastures, including 6 horse traps.
In 1926. McEtroy sold the ranch to a French syndicate now the Franco-Western Oil Company) for two and a half million dollars

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## The Christmas Season

No other time of the year-no other season- seems to bring us closer to our fellowman than Christmas. All the petty grievances that cause much of our discontent seem to shrink into unimportance at Christmastime. As long as we celebrate Christmas, there is hope that mankind can and will build a better world
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by McFeatters

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The syndicate took over in 1927 The present president of the company is Louis Fayousthe of Paris, France
At present the ranch runs around 2.000 head of cattle and has 300 oil wells. One of the oil wells has produced more than 52.000 , 000 barrels of oil.
In 1961, something new was added. Buck bought 1508 head of sheep.
Although the Jigger Y is still as large as ever, old Y cowboys, cow horses, and cows wouldn't recognize it and wouldn't let on if they did, what with everything mechanized, fenced up, and automated. They certainly would not recognize the newfangled, rubbertired. compartmentalized chuck wagon
Most startling change is in the cattle. They are no longer snuffy, snaky, salty, and unmanageable. The solution is simple; the cattle are less wild because the cowboys are less wild.
So the true picture of the old west fades away as one of the last of our old ranches yields to the wheels of progress

## Now

with time running short . . . is when you will need to get your dry cleaning done for all the holidays just ahead.

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Midkiff Church Schedules midkiff Church of christ Bob Keene, Minister
Sunday Services:
Bible Class ................. 10 A.M Preaching $11 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{M}$ Young Peoples' Class- 6 P.M Preaching ...................... 7 PM Wed. night Bible Class-7 P.M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Bob Burkhart, minister
Church School ….... 9:45 a.m Morning Worship ........ 11:00 a.m M. Y. F. $\quad$ 6:45 p.m Evening Worship ........ 7:00 p.m

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Jerry Bob Taylor, Pastor

Sunday Sohool .... .... 9:45 AM Worship ................. $11: 00 \mathrm{AM}$ Training Union .... .... 6:30 PM Worship 6:30 PM

Screwworm Program
Holds Benefits For
Upton County
BY W. M. (DUB) DAY
County Agent, Upton County
Although Upton County is not in the area where sterile screwworm flies are currently being dispersed, ranchers in this county are still deriving the benefits of the Southwest Screwworm Eradication Program
A number of local livestock producers have expressed the feeling that they have contributed or are being asked to contribute to a program in which they are getting none of the results. This is not the case.

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Sterile flies are being disp in the 80,000 square miles of as and New Mexico where screwworms normarlly spen winter, while winter temper es are expected to kill them side of the overwintering In all but a few abnormal ssrewworms do not overain Upton County
You could disperse million sterile flies in this county you wouldn't accomplish a if you didn't eradicate t the "incubator" of souther the "incubator" of southern
as and southwestern New ut as and southwestern New M
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TELEPHONE tALK
by Harold Johnson, Managor

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS
Know who made the first Christmas tree lights?
Well, considering the name of this column, the answer shoul not be too much of a surprise-a telephone man. Here's ho it happened

Back In the early 1900's, Ralph E. Morris' little boy crawir under the Christmas tree, upset one of the wax candles and singed his hair. Morris promptly announded there would never another flame near a Christmas tree in his house. Then, he go to thinking and remembered the switchboard down at the tele phone office and how, at certain times of the day, it often re minded him of a Christmas tree

So what did he do but buy several dozen switchboard lamp which he then soldered to wires to make a string of lights. H used colored paper to cover the lamps, and so it was-the first elec tric lights on a Christmas tree

TOO BAD YOU CAN'T FIND IT THERE
I read the other day about an unusual message that resulted when a storm tore away part of a Christmas billboard greeting. Uuderneath the greeting, part of a Yellow Pages billboard was revealed. The combined message of the two boards was "Peace on earth-find it fast in the Yellow Pages, ${ }^{\text {' }}$

Well, you can find a lot of things in the Yellow pages and save yourself a lot of time and walking. It's just too bad the Yellow Pages can't lead us to that most wonderful commoditypeace.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF?
When someone mentions "Christmas" to you, what do you thing of? Shepherds on a hill-a bright star in the sky-mistletoe -"T'm Dreaming of a White Christmas"-holly-trees - giftschildren

If you're like me, you think of all these and more. You also think of people you care about. Your folks, close friends, far-flung relatives, all sorts of people you've grown to know and like.

I hope you'll be able to be with your folks and friends during this holiday season. Still, if the miles keep you apart-remember you can get together by telephone.

## ONE LAST THOUGHT

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## Santa's Coming TO RANKIN and HITRIBAMIS invited to THE FUN



## at the annual Rankin

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At 2:00 P. M.
Ford Theatre

Following Show
Ford Theatre

FOR ALL
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