

MILDERS AT WORK—Volunteer workers are installing a pipe-frame fence at the Dub Day 4-H Rodeo Arena Worksturday on the job: Frank Absher, Billy Bearden, Eddie and Jake and Kirby Shipp.

All Area Youngsters Invited to Party --

all youths.

Saturday is Santa Day in Rankin

It's all set. Santa will come to Rankin Saturday.

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As announced previously, Rankin Lion's Club will hold their annual Christmas Party Saturday, December 19 at the Rankin Park Building. Time will be at 10:00 p-m. and it is during this party that Santa will make his appearance and will be available to discuss such things as what one might want for Christmas.

Also, while he's there, he will preside at the handing-out of bags of candy, nuts and fruit to For the Saturday event, the first item on the agenda consists of a series of rib-tickling cartoon movies which will be shown in the main room of the Park Building. Mothers need not remain with their children unless they so desise since members of the Lions Club will be present to assist Santa and help with the children.

Following the movies, Santa is to make his appearance and the gifts will be handed out. All activities should be concluded by about 11:45.

CHRISTMAS SEASON

Elsewhere on the local scene, a number of Christmas parties are being planned as well as special church services to mark the occasion. Holiday closing plans are also being announced by most of the local business houses.

Rankin Schools will dismiss on Wednesday, December 23 at 2:30 p.m. and classes will resume at 8:25 a.m., Wednesday, January 6-

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RANKIN (79778), UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1970

Treasurer and One Commissioner --

nging of Guard at Hand for County Offices

the time will be at December 31. That will closing of public careiree county officials with red tenure in office of bur years. Newly electwill be sworn into oflaguary 1, 1971.

up thirty-two years as measurer will be Mrs. Rains. Completing 18 County Clerk—her husmed twenty prior to her and re-election— is Daugherty. Rounding out all be Joe Conger, Comof Precinct No. 4 with a t office of twenty-four

Inday, with some thirtyple in attendance, emif Upton County honored ing office-holders with a it dinner, held in connecthe annual Christmas If three were presented fiver trays with their inicaved on the front and me, office, Upton County. is of tenure on the back. Nancy K. Daugherty, County and District Clerk with eighteen years of service, took office on May 14, 1952 upon the death of her husband, Ralph. Mr. Daugherty had served from January 1, 1933 until killed in an auto accident in May, 1952.

Although challenged on severa occasions by opponents, Mrs. Daugherty retires from the office December 31 on a voluntary basis—as do both Mrs. Rains and Mr. Conger. Mrs. Daugherty is 70 years old and has resided in Upton County for 42 years. She was also presented with a birthday cake during last Monday's dinner. She will mark her 71st on Saturday, December 19.

Elizabeth Rains, in office as County Treasurer since 1939, is believed to be the second longestin-office Treasurer in Texas. She will complete 32 years service on December 31. In looking back over her years in office, Mrs. Rains recalls that Ernest Van Zandt was County Judge when she took office in '39. Other office holders were J. E. Sinco as Sheriff, and Bert Howell, auditor. During her stay in office, she has also served under County Judges C. G. Taylor (twomonth tenure), Bill Edwards, Bud Fisher and the current judge, Allen Moore.

Mrs. Rains ,who was 77 on the 23rd of September, says she plans to keep busy after retirement. She has lived in the county 42 years and in Rankin since she

Christmas Issue to Press Next Week

Publication of the annual Rankin News Christmas Issue will be made next week. There will be no issue of The News Thursday, December 31 as the office is traditionally closed the week following Christmas, as well as July 4th week. Next week's issue will contain the Christmas Greetings and the Letters to Santa. Deadlines for advertising will be Monday, December 21. News items will be taken thru 10:00 a.m. Tuesday. took office, moving here from Mc-Camey.

Joe Conger, with 24 years as Commissioner of Precinct 4, first took the oath of office January 1, 1947. Joe is 73 years old, has resided in Upton County 44 years and is a veteran of a number of races seeking re-election. In addition to his Commissioner duties. he is engaged in the rancing business in the McCamey area.

NEW OFFICERS

New officers who will step into the gaps on January 1 include Mrs. Buena R. Coffee of McCamey who bested several opponents to become the new County and District Clerk. She will be the 6th person to hold the office since the county was organized.

Doris L. Speed, another candidate who bested strong competiRankinites Son Gets

Promotion at WTU



GLEN WELLING

Glen R. Welling, son of Fred Welling of Rankin and employed in the meter department of West Texas Utilities Company for the

rty Taylor Dies Suddenly; eral Services Pending

G. (Shorty) Taylor was a heart attack at ap.m. Tuesday, Decemthe on duty at his job motor man for Phillips m plant. He was dead on at Rankin Hospital. This second heart attack in tonths; however, he was well when he reported to asday.

was born June 25, 1930 In and had lived here his life. He graduated thin High School where he was active in all sports and was quarterback for the Rankin Red Devil football teams and a captain of the basketball squad. He attended college in Arilington and Sul Ross prior to entering the military service during the Korean Conflict.

While in Korea, he was awardthe Purple Heart for wounds suutained while serving as a rifleman and machinegunner in an infantry company. (Continued to Page 5)

County Lets Bid on Grader Machine

In matters attended to in their meeting held last Monday, the Upton County Commissioners approved a bid by the Plains Machine Company for a motor grader. Total cost of the equipment to the county will be \$23,255, according to the bid submitted by the firm.

The bid listed the selling price of the machine at \$30,185. However, it had been operated 210 hours, for which \$630 was deducted. This, plus a trade-in machine for which \$6,300 was allowed, reduced the price to the \$23,255 figure. tion, is from Rankin. She will be the fifteenth county treasurer to hold office.

Also becoming the fifteenth Commissioner for Precinct 4 when he is sworn in January 1, will be Charlie Fletcher. Fletcher, of all the successful winners in the recent election,s' had to defeat the largest number of opponents to win his race.

And it may well be that on January 1, these three new office holders will begin service that may possible top the combined years of the retirees for Upton County has a record of returning to office those who do a good job.

Now See Here . . .

Said the kind old lady to the Internal Revenue clerk: " I do hope you'll give my money to some nice country."

past 12 years in McCamey, has been promoted to district meterman for the Company's McCamey District. He has replaced George Welch who has been transferred to the Company's General Meter Section in Abilene,

The change of personnel in the McCamey Office was announced today by District Manager Kirby Dawkins

Welling is a native of Texline, Texas, and moved to Rankin in 1946 when his father assumed the duties of WTU'S local manager in Rankin. Welling attended the Rankin Public Schools where he was outstanding in football and basketball for the Red Devils. Following graduation from high school in 1956, he attended Cisco Junior College for two years before joining WTU in 1958.

Mrs. Welling is the former Virginia Jeanell Walker. The Wellings were married in Cisco in 1958 and have two children, Terry Ann, 10; and Timothy De-Wayne, 4.

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SCOOP by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

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of water. Oddly enough, according to the writer, something like 24 people drown each year in the state from just that very thing.

Well, it seems that the thing to do is keep your windows rolled up—that's assuming, I suppose that they were rolled up at the time you drive into the lake—and that you're not in a convertable with the top down.

Anyway, you don't try to get out until the car reaches the bottom—with the windows up you're supposed to have enough air for awhile. Once the car stops on the bottom, you take a deep breath, roll down a window and swim to the surface.

The writer noted that if you are in swift water, you let it carry you along and not try to buck the current.

Now that all sounds pretty reasonable and no doubt it will work just as he said. Still, I have one question to put to the writer: "suppose you can't swim in the first place?"

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HILE THEY LAST

ed Bluff Lumber Co.

I assume that would make a difference

THINK ABOUT IT-

There is this difference between happiness and wisdom; he that thinks himself the happiest man really is so; but he that thinks himself the wisest, is generally the greatest fool. —Colton

What Mr. Colton is saying—to put it in the modern venacular is that happiness is a state of mind. You can coon yourself into thinking you've got it made but there's no substitute for smart.

Ole Colton was a pretty deep thinker himself.

This same Colton chap said in another place: "If you want enemies excel others, if you want friends let others excel you."

And I'm sure he wasn't thinking along those lines but he has perfectly described the duffer golfer. We who have no touch with the sticks—commonly called mullets—can always find a match while the better players are not always so fortunate.

But enough of the deep philosophy.

A COMMITTEE-

Last week in the Wink Bulletin, editor Bill Beckham did an editorial concerning Wink School Board's joining the Little Red School House Committee. Wink is planning to make a contribution of—I believe it was—25c per student enrolled to the committee.

To those with short memories, the Little Red School House Committee led the fight during the last session of the Legislature against the monster plan of consolatiting all small school districts into what would amount to a mess that would make new math look easy.

There is every reason to believe that the consolidators will be at work again when the Legislature opens next year in Austin. And once again the Little Red School House Committee is getting ready to defend the small districts from this rape.

I don't know what steps our local school board has taken to help out in this defense but it would seem that the time is near at hand when they should give the matter some serious thought. Consolidation may be the answer in some areas of Texas but it will never be the solution in an area such as West Texas with its vast expanses and scattered population. That, however, will be no deterrent to the people panners in Austin—especially when it comes to school districts and if any better example was ever needed, take a look at our football district.



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Speech Class Plays Are Well Received on Monday Night

With a turnout of between 200-250 persons, members of the Rankin High School Speech Department, under the direction of Miss Paula Haynes, delighted their audience with four short Christmas plays. Members of a high school girls group were also an added attraction as they sang Christmas carols at the beginning of the evening and between each of the plays.

The presentations were made at the hight school auditorium last Monday night.

All four featured the Christmas theme and ran in background from a modern household trying to get ready for Christmas to an absent minded poet who could not

gifts and if so, what he did with them. Another of the plays depicted some of the hassel and confusion resulting in a modern household as father tried to get the Christmas lights up in time for a lighting contest while mother was having troubles of her own with the rest of the family.

remember whether he had bought

In the final play, a hillbilly group finally managed to make the local Scruge-who had all of a hundred dollars hoarded away, see the true spirit of Christmas.

With all the students showing the results of hard work and good coaching in their acting efforts several were outstanding in their performances. Among them were Brenda Speed as Sue in "Catching Up With Christmas" Bonnie Bearden as Mom in the same play and as Widow Hinkly in "A Hillbilly Christmas Carol" and Sharon Bean as Maude Ash in "Just What They Wanted.

Among the performances given by the boys, Tony Daniels as Mr. Rollins in "There Arose Such A Clatter," and Ronnie Johnson as the poet in "Just What They Wanted" did well-

Reports to Board **Reveal Balances**

In reports made to the Rankin School's Board of Trustees in their last meeting December 8. the cafeteria income for the previous month on regular lunches was put at \$3,710.94. Expenses for the period amounted to \$3,678.62 and unpaid bills were \$588.81. This left a balance of \$32.32 clear on the operation.

Luncheonette meals served had an income of 782.28 from the 1,454 served while breakfast was served to 1,180 with an income

SCHOOL MENU

DECEMBER 21-23

BREAKFAST

MONDAY

Pancakes, Syrup, Sausage, Half Apple

TUESDAY

Buttered Toast, Cold Cereal, Apricots

WEDNESDAY

of \$370.70 and expenses of \$246.-27.

In still other matters brought to the Board's attention was a letter from the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which approved Rankin Elementary School for re-accreditation for 1970-71 with an "all clear" status. All Rankin Schools have been on the accredited list for the past several years.

An a report on the financial condition of Subsidiary Accounts kept by the school, the following balances were revealed:

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The Mystery Of God

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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Travis Taylor --

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Upon his return to civilian life he worked for his father, C. G. Taylor who was agent for Continental Oil Company at that time. In about 1957 he went to work for The Pecos Company, a firm later acquired by Phillips Petroleum.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church and throughout his residency in Rankin maintained an active interest in sports,

SERVICES SCHEDULED

Funeral services for Travis G. Toylar are to be held in the Rankin First Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 17.

Rev. J. C. Tankersley, pastor, assisted by Rev. Gordon Miller. pastor of the Rankin United Methodist Church, will officiate-

Buial will follow in the Rankin Cemetery.

Pallbearers are to be J. R. Lacy, W. R. McSpadden, Jimmy Lee, Roy Smitherman, George Weinkauf and Lewis Smith.

officiating as umpire at many of the local baseball games, as a timekeeper for the 4-H Rodeo and was a charter member of the original Rankin Golf Club

Edard W. Love, Jr. Ends Basic Training

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and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, combat tatics, military courtesy, military justice, First Aid and Army hostory and traditions.

where he was considered to be a championship player.

On June 22, 1952, he was wed to Carolyn King in ceremonies held in Big Lake. They have three children: sons Tom and Bill and daughter Susie, all of the home.

Other survivors include his parents, Mollie and Grimm, of Rankin, and two sisters, Mrs. Harry Cowden of Kerrville and Mrs. F A. Roady of Oxnard, California.

Hospital Notes

S. N. Looney, Iraan, admitted December 16.

W. F. Houck, Rankin, admitted December 9, dismissed December 16.

Steve Moody, McCamey, admitted December 6, dismissed on December 8.

Tommie Jones, McCamey, admitted December 6, dismissed on December 11.

Clyde Ham, Midland, admitted December 4, dismissed December 9.

Mrs. Joe Hudson, McCamey, admitted December 3, dismissed December 14.

Mrs. J. E. Mobley, McCamey, admitted December 1, dismissed December 8.

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Basketball Schedule

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