# The Rankin News 

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Forty RHS Students
Listed on Honor Roll
An even 40 students were listed on the 5th Six Weeks Honor Roll at Rankin High School with 10 being seniors. ${ }^{13}$ juniors. 10 sophomores and 7 freshmen. At the top of the list was Audrey Braden with a 97.5 average. She is a senior.
Top junior was Greg Copeland at 96.5 while Curtis Copeland at 97 was lead spohmore and Cathy Merwin at 95 led the freshmen.
Other seniors included Lois Crawford, 91.4; Monica Davis, 90666 ; Billy Eggemeyer. 92.6; Murray Golson, 90.6; Kathy Helms 95.25 ; Lynn Jackson. 94.5; Audrey McFadden. 92.25; Steve McSpadden, 91; and Nita Page, 94.25.
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## ct Play Win Would Increase Number

## kin has Thirteen in State Finals

Vednesday, Rankin High thirteen people qualistate competition. Re he One Act play, which regional action in Wednesday night, were be at press time.
regional titles last week golf team and the track s was the first regional n RHS golf team and be one of four teams in Class A competition in lay 4-5. Members of are Terry Lester, Terry n. Gary Varnadore, Hal and Tommy Gray. They E Rankin on May 2 for of practice prior to the uccessful defense of their track title from 1972, the Is had to go to the speed ing events to roll up the cessary to again bring to RHS. In so doing, lied their 440 relay team individuals for action Greg Copeland, one of 30 runners in West Texit in his specialty, and Hathews will compete in
the high jump. On the relay unit of Audreys will carry the Maroon will be Ronnie Johnson, Bart Collins, Brad Winn and Jimmy Eggemeyer.
In track, a school does not necessarily qualify its entire team when it wins regional; rather, qualifications are based on individual placings and on unit placings such as the 440 or mile relay team.
For the literary events, a pair
Two Rankin Coaches in New Jobs
Two Rankin coaches will move up in their professions with the acceptance of positions with the Rock Springs School District.
Coach Butch Butler, who came to Rankin in 1969 as an assistant football coach and girls basketball coach, has taken the head coaching job at the hill country school. Joining him as his assistant will be Roger Goodwin, a Junior High coach in Rankin since 1969 where he has fielded undefeated football teams on two occassions.
and White into the finals- hopefully to be joined by the OneAct play cast. They are Audrey McFadden, a senior and regional winner of Girls Prose Reading; and Audrey Braden, also a senior. and winner of the regional title in Poetry Interpretation.
Literary events, like track, determines state finalists on individual performance.

Butler has been granted a release by the Rankin Trustees, effective April 30 , and will move to Rock Springs to begin "getting the feel" of his new duties. He came to Rankin from Early of Brownwood where he was an assistant football coach
Goodwin is to finish the remainder of the present term with Rankin before taking up his new position. He began his coaching career with Rankin.

## Four Days of Action Scheduled .-

## AJRA Circuit Moves to Rankin Wednesday

Starting next Wednesday, Rankin will host the AJRA Rodeo circuit that ranges from Texas to New Mexico and Colorado. There will be four days of rodeo excitement, sponsored locally by the Rankin Lions Club.
Rankin is the headquarters for the far-flung American Junior Rodeo Association (AJRA) with Les McFadden serving as secre-


GWENN JONES Miss AJRA 1973
tary-manager. President of the organization is Rick Hendley of Snyder Junior College, and Gwen Jones of Hobbs. N. M. is "Miss AJRA of 1973.'
Other places holding AJRA events this year include Stephenville. Snyder, Del Rio, Andrews, Eunice, Monahans, Van Horn. Las Cruces, Roswell, Carlsbad, Big Spring and Farwell - these all having already been approved by the AJRA-and several others "in the works." Last year's National Finals were held in Pueblo West, Colorado.
Upwards to 300 contestants are expected to enter the Rankin rodeo which is classified by the AJRA as "an open show", meaning that non-members may also enter. AJRA event winners are paid cash awards and last year in Rankin. the top money for any one event was in Boys 16-19 tiedown calf roping where 1st place received $\$ 221.85$. 2nd paid $\$ 183.60$, 3rd was worth $\$ 145.35$, and 4 th was paid $\$ 107 \cdot 10$. A top roper in this age bracket can earn over $\$ 3,000$ in a season.

Performances will be held each night, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Dub Day $4-\mathrm{H}$ Arena on the Crane Highway. Admission is $\$ 1.50$ for adults and $\$ 1$ for students of high school age and under.
A parade will be held Saturday, April 28 at 6 p.m. and a dance at 9 will be at the Rankin Park building.

## School Board in Regular Session

## At their last regular meeting,

 held Thursday, April 12 , members of the Rankin School Board canvassed the returns of the April 7 Trustee election and declared Jim Neal and C. E. Winn as winners of the two seats. At the same session they organized the Board for the coming term with all officers retaining their previous positions.This would see Dr. J. D. Gossett as president; Lloyd Helms. vice-president; Ray Barrett. Jr., secretary; Joe Garner Loftin, assistant secretary, and Board members C. E. Taylor, Jim Neal and Clarence Winn.
In other matters the Board:

- Accepted the bid of Commercial Body Shop of San Antonio for a new 60 passenger bus, and approved the sale of an old bus to Mack McKenzie.
- Negotiated a two-year contract with new superintendent $A$. C. Copeland at $\$ 18.000$ per year.
- Set the date for the annual Budget Hearing to coincide with the June 6th date for the Board of Equalization. Time will be at 8 a.m. instead of the previously used night session.
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If You Like Excitement, Attend the Rodeo

(photo courtesy AJRA News)

## THE $\int \subset \cap D$ by Scoop

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

The Rankin (Tex.) News Thursday, April 19, 1973
number of times to state meets in just about everything but footand golf.
Their best chances for an outright state championship this season is probably in golf. (Now you didn't really think I was going to let that pass, did you?
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RHS Girls Have 4 in Regional Track Meet

Rankin High School's Girls Track Team has qualified four individuals, in eight events, for regional competition in Levelland on April $27-28$. In so doing, they picked up a 2 nd in district girls track and broke 7 existing RHS Girls Track records.

Considering that they have used six to seven girls most of the season in their tract efforts. they are the most successful, percent-age-wise of all track teams in regional qualifiers for Rankin.
For district action, their 440 relay team of Garlington. Winters Page and Johnson took 1st. Winters was also 1st in the 60 yard dash, the broad jump and the triple jump, and 2 nd in the 100.

Johnson was 1st in discus, 2nd in broad jump and 3rd in high jump and the 80 yard hurdles.
Garlington was 2 nd in the 440 yard dash while Sherry Page had a 3 rd in the triple jump, and Ni ta Page was 4 th in the 880 .
Rankin's 880 relay team of Liz Smith. Nita Page Garlington and Sherri Page posted a 4th.

Notaries Public to
Apply May 1 thru 15

County Clerk Buena R. Coffee has announced that all presently commissioned Notaries Public in Upton County desiring re-appointment for the new term which begins June 1, 1973 and ends June 1. 1975 , must pay the required fee

## LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: PARKER EARNEST SHIREY. GREEING:
You are commended 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 21st day of May, A. D. 1973, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 112th District Court of Upton County, at the Court House in Rankin. Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 23 rd day of March, 1973. The file number of said suit being No. 1905.
The names of the parties in said suit are: BERNICE LYNN SHIREY as PETITIONER, and PARK. ER EARNEST SHIREY as Respondent
The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:
A Suit for divorce
If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned its issuan
unserved.
Issued this the 10th day of April A. D., 1973.

Given under my hand and seal of said Count, at uffice in Rankin, Texas, this the 10th day of April A. D., 1973.
(s) Buena R. Coffee

Clerk of the 112th Judicial District Court of Upton County, Tex
and file a new oath and bond at her office between May 1, 1973 and May 15. 1973, inclusive.
Mrs. Coffee further stated that any person not now a Notary Public who doesires appointment for the beginning of the newterm on Jnue 1, 1973, should apply at her office before May 14, 1973 The required application forms may be obtained there.
Mrs. Coffee emphasized that Notaries Public should not send requests for appointment or for commissions directly to the Secretary of State inasmuch as the law specifically requires that the County Clerk approve Notary Bonds and forward copies of the application to the Secretary of State.

## Library Notes

Rankin Public Library will be closed Good Friday, April 20 and Saturday, April 21.

Recent fiction on our shelves includes:
"Elephants Can Remember," by Agatha Christie; "Law and Order," by Dorothy Uhnak; "Burnt Offerings," by Robert Marasco;
"The Sunlight Dialogues," by John Gardner; "Rule Britannia," by Daphne du Maurier; "Green Darkness," by Anya Seto; "Oklohoma Crude," by Mare Norman; "The Camerons," by Robert Crichton; "Nethergate," by Nor ah Lefts; and "A Marriage of Convenience," by Elizabeth Rossiter.

Non-fiction includes
Winer," by Margaret Mead;
"Harry Truman," by Margaret Truman; "My Life in the Mafia," by Vincent Teresa; "Winning Ways of Watercolor," by Rex Brandt; "Complete Course in Oil Painting," by Olle Nordmark;
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| April 19, 1973 | Midkiff, has received his fifth a ward of the Air Medal at Hickam AFB. Hawaii.

ite's Son gets Force Award

The sergeant, a radio operator supervisor, was cited for his airmanship and courage on missions completed under hazardous conditions in support of the U. S. mission in Southeast Asia.
He now serves at Hickman with a unit of the Air Force Communications Service.
The sergeant entered the Air Force in April, 1971 and has served in the Republic of Korea.
A 1958 graduate of Farmington (N. M.) High School he attended the University of Texas at El Paso.

Sgt. Emmerson's wife is the former Marie W. Niebel.

Memorials Noted to
Methodist Church
Recently received memorials by Rankin United Methodist Church include the following:

Rankin JH Girls Win

## District Track Meet

In recently held District 6 - A Junior High Girls Track, Rankin took 1st place with Wink and Iraan tied for 2nd. Placings for Rankin included:
Teresa Plagens, 1st in high jump at $4^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$; Joyce Plagens, 2nd at $4^{\prime} 4^{\prime \prime}$, and Jo Tarbit 3rd at $4^{\prime \prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$.
Triple Jump: Tarbert 1st at $30^{\prime}$
IN MEMORY of Flora Shaw, from Mr. and Mrs. Bud Poage. Mr. and Mrs. Walton Poage Mrs. W. H. Holcombe Mrs. Elizabeth Rains, Beulah B. Shubert. Mr. and Mrs. Winston H. Holcomb. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holcomb; Mrs. C. J. Holcomb. Mrs. Flora Lee Cook, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Aiken, Dr. and Mrs. Jim Gossett;
in MEMORY of D. O. McKelvy, from Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Low. ery, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boges;
IN MEMORY of Stanley Eddins. from Mrs. Elizabeth Rains.

## pitie to Property wners Over Age 65

The Commissioners Court of Upton County and the Board of Directors of the Rankin Count Hospital District have passed an Order to exempt Ad Valorem Tax rendered in the sum of $\$ 3,000$ assessed on Homestead Property.

If the Husband $\mathbf{O R}$ the Wife is 65 prior to January 1 , of the year assessed, they are entitled to this exemption.

YOU MUST RENDER THIS PROPERTY BEFORE MAY 30, 1973, TO GET THIS YEARS EXEMPTION. THIS MAY BE DONE AT THE TAX OFFICE AT THE COURTHOUSE IN RANKIN OR THE SUB-STATION IN McCAMEY.
bring proof of age, birth certificATE, DRIVER'S LICENSE, ETC. THE EXEMPTIONS HAVE TO BE CLAIMED EACH YEAR.

## S. O. LANGFORD

TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS
$31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, Kristi Russom, 6th at $27^{\prime}$.
Broad Jump: Joyce Plagens 1st at $15^{\prime} 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$;
Discus: Teresa Plagens, 2nd at $82^{\prime} 11$ ', Beverly Hoelscher, 6th at $59^{\prime} 10^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.
440 relay: Rankin 1st with Dona Reams, Cheryl Bearden. Teresa and Joyce Plagens. Time: 53.6.
880 yard relay, Rankin 2nd at 2.00.2 with D'Ann Garlington, Jo Tarbit. Tammy Wilkerson and Joyce Plagens.

80 yard low hurdles: Patti Pruett, 1st at 14; Cheryl Bearden, 3rd, and Tammy Wilkerson, 4th.
220 yard dash: Joyce Plagens, 2nd at 28.8 . Jo Tarbit. 3rd at 30.9
330 yard dash: Janie Lelch 5th. Mindy Merwin. 6th.
100 yard dash: Cherel Bearden. 4th. Teresa Plagens, 6th.
60 yard dash: Teresa Plagens. 4th.
Rankin rolled up 131 points for Coach Bud Poage to take the win. Junior High does not advance past district competition.

## Omicron Tau Has

April 9 Meeting
Omicron Tau held its April 9th meeting in the home of Mrs. Sam Sorenson. Mrs. Sorenson along with Mrs. Troy Cooley, Mrs. Doug McAnally, Mrs. James Heffernan. Mrs. Mike Crews, and Mrs. Duane Mason co-hosted the meeting in which new slates of
officers were chosen.
:Iose menbers who will serve as next year's executive board are Arrs. Eluis Helmers, president; Mrs. Jim Neal, vice- president; Mrs. Ronnie Dunnam, recording secretary; Mrs. Don Bailey, corresponding secretary; Mrs. David Burkett. treasurer; and Mrs. Rusty Glidewell, extension officer.
An election for "Girl of the Year" was held Her name will be revealed at the Founder's Day Banquet which will be held Monday. April 30 .
Prior to the business meeting, an informative program on china painting was conducted by Mrs. H. G. Adams. Mrs. Adams not only showed the tools necessary for painting china pieces but also displayed many items she had painted. These included bracelets. rings, lockets, pins and china eggs.

## LEGAL NOTICE

WITHDRAWAL FROM PARTNERSHIP
Notice is hereby given that $\mathbf{F}$. E. COVILL has withdrawn from the partnership between F. E. COVILL, JAMES E. COVILL and J. E. COVILL, under the firm name of RED BLUFF LUMBER COMPANY OF RANKIN, TEXAS. doing business at Rankin. Upton County, Texas was dissolved on the 1st day of March, 1973 and that F. E. COVILL is no longer connected in any way with the business now being conducted at said location. That the business is continuing under the partnership of James E. COVILL and J. E. COVILL. under the same firm name of RED BLUFF LUMBER COMPANY OF RANKIN, TEXAS.
That all debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by JAMES E. COVILL, and all demands on the said partnership should be presented to him for payment.
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> (s) F. E. COVILL
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# ILSTIS REPORT <br> By Tom Craddick, State Rep 68th Dist. Midland Address: 3108 Stanolind Austin: Box 2910, ZC 78767 - Ph. 512 475-4305 

The Texas House Appropriations biennium starting September 1. Committee completed its work on the spending bill for the next two years this week. The measure is to call for approximately $\$ 9.7$ billion in spending for the 1974-75

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All three of these recommenda. tions contain expenditures that are unnecessarily high, and some areas have not been allotted as much as needed.

Principal features of the bill include:
-A balanced scale of salary increases for State employees with the greatest increase for the low. est salary levels.
-Funds totaling $\$ 5.6$ million for the hiennium to establish a Kid-
ney Health Care Division in the Department of Health to provide care and treatment of persons suffering from chronic kidney diseases.
-Construction and repair funds for Mental Health and Mental retardation facilities totaling $\$ 12.7$ million.
-Funds totaling $\$ 28.4$ million for the biennium are provided for State Grants-in-Aid to support local community mental health and mental retardation programs.
-Construction and repair funds for Texas Youth Council facilities of $\$ 2.5$ million.
-Continued acquisition of property in the Capitol Complex, $\$ 5.5$ million.
-Funds to provide for 50 additional State Highway Patrolmen each fiscal year of the biennium.
-A total of $\$ 2.1$ million for the construction and facility improvements for the Texas Department

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$-\$ 247$ million for the biennium for park planning, aequition and development. including historic sites and structures.
$-\$ 5.5$ million to the Parks and Wildlife Department to provide funds to continue fish and wildlife activities at the current operating level 25 additional Game Wardens and repair and rehabilitation of fish hatcheries.

- $\$ 240$ thousand for the biennium for the protection and conservation of non-game and endangered species.
-Approximately $\$ 20$ million for the biennium for faculty and nonfaculty salary increases, also giving the greatest percentage increases to the lower salary groups
-Increases are also provided in State institutions of higher education for enrollment increases, a $5 \%$ increase for libraries and additional funds for tuition scholarships. Funds are also provided for major repairs and rehabilitation.
- $\$ 236$ thousand for pre - apprenticeship - journeyman training at Texas State Technical Institute.
-Funding for adult and bilingual education in the amount of $\$ 6.4$ million.
- $\$ 188.9$ million for poeration of vocational - technical and academic programs in public junior colleges on a standardized element of cost basis (The bill includes a total of \$427,349 for Midland Junior College and $\$ 2.423$. 346 for Odessa Junior College for the coming biennium.
I will appreciate any comments on the budget considerations or any other legislation pending before the Texas House.

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## Honor Roll -- <br> (Continued from Page 1) <br> For the juniors there were Marilyn Braden, 95.4; Jimmy Eggemeyer, 95.6; Gay Garlington, 94; Gina Harris, 92.4; Cathy Johnson, 90.6; Jimmy Mathews, 95.75; Mike Peters, 92.6; Ria Reams. 93.4; Joann Sullivan 94.5 ; Angela Vick, 94.75; Melisa Whatley, 90; and Brad Winn, 90.5. <br> From the sophomore class were Ernest Black. 91.6; Gary Dupriest. 94; Eric Fitzhugh, 92.4; Billy Helms, 92.5; Bobby Johnson. 95; Sherry Page, 93.5; Freddy Plagens, 96.4; Mark Russom, 30; and Mark Wheeler, 94.4. <br> In the freshmen section were Penny Braden, 94.6; Gehrig Feuge, 90.25; Mark Hughes, 91.2; Rick Hurst. 91.4; Hugh Jackson, 92.6 and Kirby Shipp. 92.75.

## Lions to Decorate <br> For Rodeo Week

In their last meeting, Rankin Lions Club voted to begin purchasing flags and bunting for decoation purposes in Rankin during festive events such as the upcoming AJRA Rodeo. They plan to purchase amounts of this material each year until they have enough to decorate the entire town. Previously these decorations had been borrowed or leased from neighboring towns.

The first of the banners were received here and hung on Tuesday, including several across Main Street. Further prepartions for the rodeo include decorations and paintings of signs on store fronts. A committee has been "volunteered" for this task.

## 3rd Graders Make Local Field Trip

Members of Mrs. Peggy McMullans 3rd Grade class recently made an in-town field trip during which they visited the Rankin Post Office and learned about the receiving and dispatching of mail Following their visit to the Post Office, they stopped by Rankin Drug for refreshments where their manners and good conduct drew praise from the management and employees.
"We hear a lot about the high quality behavior of our Rankin School students - especially the high school," noted Mrs, Betty Daniel, "and I think the people of Rankin ough to know that this good behavior is just as evident in the lower grades."

We always enjoy a visit from our school students," she said.


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