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Valentine Sweetheart

te Glidewell has been selected Sweetheart of Omicron Tau er of Beta Sigma Phi. She and other area Sweethearts be presented at Thur day night's Valentine Dance.
$k$ Robbins has ment in race ounty Judge


Roblths, Jr. who entered for County Judge of Upty several weeks ago, toased his formal statement
n the county since 1938exception of a twa if duty with the U. S . lor in the South country arried and has two child-
ren; a son, Bill, who operates the Texaco bulk plant at McCamey; and a daughter, Mrs. Carol Sandlin, of Houma, La.

A nephew, Guy Hodges, makes hi home with Mr. and Mrs. Robbins. Guy is a Junior in McCamey High School.
Mr. Robbins is a former member of the Board of Trustees the McCamey Independent School Di trict and presently serves as a director of the McCamey C of C. He has been, for a number of years, and still is, an adult leader in the Upton County $4-\mathrm{H}$ Club and its work. He is also a member of the Texa; Sheep \& Goat Raisers Association.
Robbins spent ten years working in the oil fields of Upton County and for the past eleven years has operated his own ranch. He is also the Texaco Consignee for Upton County.
In making his announcement, he declared that "the door to my office will be open to all the citizens of Upton County. He said that he would devote his full time to the business of the people.
"I know only two ways to conduct myself," he said, "and that is with honesty and fairness toward all."

Only One New Face as Deadline Passes --

## Local Candidate Picture Put into Final Focus

While tate and district races were drawing a number of last minute entrics including another Dolph vs. Sissie contest for the Democratic nominee for governor, only one new face was added to the local lit for Upton County; that being in one of the J. P. races in McCamey.

Although none are running in local races, Republicans fielded a substantial number of candidates to oppose the Democrat in November in state races. One A-

## Listrict 6-A Race

## is leal Zan Ahon

What has to be billed as one of the closest, and probably the weirdest di trict 6 -A basketball race of all years continues its zany antics right down to the last game. It is almo $t$ as if the members of the District are enjoying playing one another so much they don't want the district play to end.
Last Tuesday in a game played here, Marfa put down Rankin by a $54-48$ mark while Balmorhea got past Iraan 65-64. And this is where one of the real odd quirks of the situation arises.
On Friday, Rankin will go to Balmorhea for their final regular season game. If the Red Devils win, Marfa gets to repre ent the district in the playoffs. But; and try this one on for size, if Rankin loses to the Bear, then there will be a three-way tie and a play-off between Rankin, Marfa and Balmorhea will be necessary
Life gets confusing sometime

## Final Ticket Sales

Underway for the All-Sports Banquet

Tickets for the All Sport; Banquet, to be held February 17 and honoring the Rankin Red Devils, went on sale last Monday and reports are that they are selling at a fast clip. Only 125 of the duckets are to be sold to this year's affair and there will be no sales at the door.
Those wishing to get advance reservations should contact either Jim Lee or Barbara McSpadden for any that may be left. Coach Dewayne Turner is out of town this week, being on hand for an operation that was performed in Temple on hi, father Monday. At last report, the elder Turner was responding well following the surgery.
ounced in the 21st Congression-
County.
For county races, it will befour-way affair for Judge withFrank Robbins, Jr., Walter JCampbell, Jr., and Peggy Garn-er, all of McCamey, and SharkB'oxom of Rankin, jousting.the Commi sioners race in Ran-kin Precinct 2, incumbent T. D"Tom Preciret 2, incumbent 1 ."Tommy" Workman will be op-posed by L. Z. "Shorty" Tits-
worth. In MeCamey Commisworth. In McCamey Commission- 15 and close on april 30. Voters
scheduldd for Saturday, May 4,
absentee voting will open Apr
Di trict Clerk Beuna R.
P. Precinct 1 C . G Taylor and
With the First Primarl Election or Precinct 4, Charlie Fletcher,
iss Maggie Honored on 86th Birthday


Niss Maggie Taylor and Money Tree Birthday Giift

With a large number of relatives and friend, both from Rankin and out-of-town on hand, Miss Maggie Taylor, long-ime Rankin and Upton County resident, was bonored on her 86th birthday with a tea, Sunday, February 3, from 3 to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the Clay Taylor home at 701 West 8th Street. The event was ho ted by brothers, sisters, neices and nephews of Mis: Taylor.

In the receiving line were Mesdamse Clay Taylor, Ray Dunlap of Ozona, J. T. Dameron of Bluff Dale and C. G. Taylor of Rankin. Miss Taylor wore an orchid and purple dress with her corage being made of an arrangement of money. She also received a gift of a "money tree" made with leaves of bills.
Dried flowers and potted plants were ued in the house decorating arrangements, and the money tree was used as a centerpiece on the registration table. A gold colored lace trimmed cloth covered the serving table which was centered with a three-tiered white and yellow birthday cake. Yellow candle : in crystal holders were in use and crystal nappies held
mints and nuts. White cake squares and golden punch were erved by members of the family to seventy-five guests.
Included in the houseparty were nieces of the honoree, Mrs. Cl yton Dameron and Mrs. Taylor Dameron. Other member were Mesdames H. D. Shaw, Hamp Carter, J. Lane, M. J. Edwards and Jake T. Dameron.
Miss Taylor moved to Rankin in 1913 and has been active in community affairs during the pat years. She is a member of Rankin O.E.S. and has been made a lifetime honorary member. Also, she is a member of the Upton County Hi torical Society and is a trustee of the Rankin Muesum Association.
She served as Upton County Clerk from 1920 to 1932 and as Tax As-sessor-Collector for the Rankin Independent School Di trict from 1936 to 1950.

Known to her many friends and neighbors as "Miss Maggie", she ha: long been a strong supporter of Rankin and the many community programs that have been carried out here during her time as a resident.

## THE $\int \subset 口 \cap$ by $\operatorname{Scoop}$

J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor
congrats \& regrets -
Two Rankinites who might be termed "old timers" were honored this past week in different eevents. Both are most worthy of comment.

Miss Maggie Taylor, who is, indeed an old timer as Rankin residents go having lived here almost from the beginning of the town of Rankin, was honored by relatives and friends with a birthday party last Saturday. She had a grand time, as did those present; and, according to her doctors, can make preparations for a lot more such affairs. They report her to be in excellent health despite her eighty-plus years
Miss Maggie has had an abiding and active interest in many of the civic, social, church and community affairs ever since she became a resident. She is probably one of Rankin's strongest boos ters and it is with much pleasure that congratulations are extended to this fine lady-a lady in the

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best traditions of the word - who is still very much among thc young at heart.

The other event involred the retirement of Nurse Payne from the staff of the Rankin Hospital. Mrs. F. W. Payne qualifies as an old timer-if not in age-at least by the fact that she has been with the ho pital since it opened some (Continued to Next Page)



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atulations are also in orre, teo, for I happen to thet. Nurse Payne is an aherman and last Mondayst official day of retireshe was up at her usual 10 am . but this time she er and and reel cranking ming in some good te Payne's retirement on Nasworthy.
I. for one, regret to see
her leave and I know a bot more folk share that feeling. Many a tough ole boy, while laying up in Rankin Hospital, has acted just that-like a boy-and has given some of the help a bad time about taking his shots or pills. After a short chat with Payne, he has quite often decided that his attitude might be in error and


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MARTIN'S
in McCamey
has willing exhibited his posterior and taken his shots like a "little man."
Nurse Payne had a way of explaining things to men and mules in terms that made the situation "perfectly clear." One of these days I'm going to take my fishing pole down and join Mr . and Mrs. Payne for a little easy fishing.

## THEY'RE OFF -

With the passing of the filing deadline latt Monday, the candidate slates are filled and everybody's officially off and running. It ought to be an interesting election and even good ole Dolph got himself an opponent-not that he is in much danger of being upset considering all he has to do is spend a few more bundles of dough and buy the office again.

Aside from local races, the one holding the most intere $t$ for the local voters will be the race for U. S. Representative where Rankin's Allen Maore is doing battle with a whole batch of "biggies." It's interesting to note that-with the political make-up of the district being strictly conservative and Rep. Fisher having handpicked his replacement-that two of the candidates-including his endorsed choice, are playing it up bis with the Labor Unions. I have yet to see any of their literature that does not contain the "bug", or Union trademark on all their printing.

If I taak a wild gue $s$, I'd say that less than 10 percent of the voters of the di trict are Labor Union members and that not many more than that are in sympathy with Unions at all. Mostly, the district $i_{3}$ rural in area and a lot of the urban make-up is composed of small busines es and people who work for small, nonunion firms.
Yet, here we have two "bigtime con ervatives" who are already making a play for the support of Texas Labor organiza-
tions. As the old boy said, "Poli- day, February 17- bri k tornado tics make for ome strange bedfellows."

WEATHER REPORT -
A West Texas weather forecast: special weather report for Sun-
ue ne at 8:47 a.m., followed by now, continuing two hurs and fifteen minutes; 32 percent chance of warming trend around noon, and 13.5 percent likelihood of real mean temperature of 92 degrees at $4: 17 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{m}$. Sun sets; No. Ju t looks like it does.

Judges from Region IX at Session


Two area Justices of the Peace February 1 in San Marcos. from Region IX were among the more than 60 judges who participated in a 40 -hour ba ic Texas Justice of the Peace Training seminar conducted January 28 thru

Judges from Region IX participating included Judge Elsie Mirike of Precinct 6, Place 1, Sheffield (Pecos County, and Judge C. G. Taylor of Precinct 1, Ranl in (Upton County)


## Iustin Report

## by tom craddick

 State Representative 68th District
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Delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Austin woted $165-0$ to pass Article One and the Preamble of the proposed new consfitution Thursday aftermoon. At torney General John Hill had ruled that no changes could be made in the article from the 1876 Constitution. Article One was the first article presented by a substantive committee (Rights and Sufferage) of the Constitutional Convention.


Notice to Bidders:
The Commissioners Court of Upton County, Texas will receive sealed bids until 10:00 A. M. Monday, February 23, 1974, at which time bids will be publicly pened and read at the Cour house, Rankin, Texas, for the purchase of:
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One 1939 Chevrolet $t /$ Tan pick. up which ean be seen by contacting either Commissioner Charles Fletcher or Commissio ner LaQuey, McCamey, Texas.

The County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Bids are to be sealed and marked "Bids on Pickups" and mailed to either the County Judge or County Auditor, Rankin, Texas 79778
(s) H. S. Huffaker

County Auditor
Upton County, Texas

## ATTEST

Buena R. Coffee
County Clerk, Upton County Texas
By (s) Sybil Browning Deputy

Testimony continued during the week before the Committee on the Executive on proposed distribution of powers in the new constitution. William H. Abington, Executive Vice - President and lawyer for Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, said that boards and agencies with elective officers should remain that way. Abington also urged the convention to put an upper limit on the state ad valorem tax for college building purposes. This last remaining state property tax, now 10 cents, is supposed to expire in 1977, but the CRA recommended it be continued at "not less than 10 cents." Abington said the CHC recommendation is a "180-degree

## American Party has

Candidate in Race


Ed Gallion of Crane has announced that he will be a candidate for Congress in the 31st Congressional District on the American Party ticket.
This will be his first attempt at seeking a political office. Having been born and raised in Victoria, Virginia, and steeped in the history of the birth of the nation, he says he developed at an early age a very deep respect for good government.
He served in the U. S. Infantry after being drafted during the Korean conflict. He is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and has a B. S. degree in Geological Engineering.
Gallion is a senior production geologist and has been employed by a major oil company in the Permian Basin for the last 17 years. He is married and has one son and three daughters, all living at home in Crane.
duly complied with the laws of
He has studied law and has the State of Texas and is now qualified to take the bar and to become a lawyer.
Gallion states he "firmly be lieves government should be confined within its constitutional lim its." "We have entirely too much government today, exercising too much power over our private lives and enterprises. In my opinion this is due largely to the lack of the individual's participation in the interest of his own affairs. I am a dedicated advocate of less government and more individual responsibility," the candidate has stated.
turn" in state policy from the people's decision several years ago to phase out all state ad valorem taxes.
Former Governor Preston Smith recommended the Governor's present powers to appoint citizenswith consent of the Senate - to various boards and commissions in the state be broadened to allow the chief executive also to dismiss appointees.
Along with hearing testimony before their respective committees, the convention delegates have been very busy submitting and studying proposals to the draft constitution. Some 300 ideas about what should go into a new state charter had been submitted to the Constitutional Convention secretary by the deadline for such proposals. The convention is using the document prepared for them by the CRC as a starting point.
The ideas of the delegates are being presented as changes to that basic vehicle. The proposal are then referred to one of the eight topic - oriented committees for discussion along with the draft proposal. From the committeet will come recommendations to be voted on by all the delegates
The final product will be sent

## School Menu

february ${ }^{11-16}$ BREAKFAST MONDAY
Hot Biscuits, Sausage, Syrup, Hash Brown Potatoes, Juice TUESDAY
Hot Cinnamon Rolls, Cold Cereal or Grits, Juice

WEDNESDAY
Hot Donuts, Oatmeal or Rice, Juice

THURSDAY
Buttered Toast, Cold Cereal or Rice, Juice

Friday
OUT OF SCHOLL FOR TEACHER INSERVICE

Fresh Milk and Butter served with each meal.

## LUNCH

MONDAY
Chili, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Crackers, Corn Bread, Pears tuesday
Tossed Salad, Baked Ham or Meat Loaf, Buttered Corn Green Beans \& Whole Potatoes, Hot Light Bread Cherry Pie

WEDNESDAY
Vegetable Soup, Crackers,
Chicken Salad Sandwiches or Grilled Cheese, Peanut Butter Cookies

THURSDAY
Hamburgers, Potato Chips,
Push-ups Ice Cream.
FRIDAY
OUT OF SCHOOL FOR TEACHER INSERVICE
Fresh Milk and Butter served with each meal
to the voters at a time to be determined at a later date by the Convention.

If you have any comments or questions on the progress of the Convention or any of its issues please feel free to contact me at P. O. Box 13286, Austin, Texa, 78711 or call me at A/C 512 4854305.

## Tom Craddick is

## Asking Re-Election



Republican State Representative Tom Craddick filed recently for re-election for a fourth term to represent House District 68, which is made up of Upton, Glassoock, Midland and Reagan Counties.
Craddick presently serves on a number of committees and sub-

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committees. During the sion of the Legislature Chairman of the special Committee that wrote ative rate automobile bill.

Craddick said he representing the 68th was extremely pleased passage of the much form legislation during slie session. He stated that age of the ethics bill sted financial disclosure wil way in helping clean as Legislature.
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## Mrs. Heffernan is

 Sorority HostessOmicron Tau chapter of Rankin Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. James Heffernan on Monday evening, January 28.

Opening rituals were recited, roll call was taken and the business meeting was opened. A discussion of the Valentine Dance and the needed preparations were decided upon. Tommy Workman announced that a representative from the chapter would be weicomed on the museum board.
Due to several members having moved, there were some office: vacancies. These were filled by Mrs. Ronnie Dunnam as Treasurer and on the Ways and Means Committee; Mrs. Duane Mason, as Corresponding Secretary and on the Telephone Committee; Mrs. Heffernan, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. Darrel Northcott and Mrs. James D. Goble, Jr., on the Publicity Committee.

The program was given by Mrs Heffernan and Mrs. Rusty Glide well. It was followed by a "Favorite Recipe Sway and Tasting.' To close the evening there was an exchange of gifts and the revealing of secret sisters.

A reminder that Omicron Tau will present Hoyle Nix at their annual Valentine Dance on February 7 was issued.

## RHS Graduate is on

Dean's List at CJC
Steve Garlington. a Rankin High School graduate presently attending Cisco Junior College, was on the recently released Dean's List for the fall semester He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Garlington of Midkiff.
Stephen is a vocational - tech nical student at the Cisco school. The Dean's List includes scholars earning a 2.5 or better grade point on a 3.0 system.

## Betty J. Neal on <br> Dean's Honor List

Betty J. Neal of Rankin $h$ a s been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Midland College. The list was released by Academic Dean Dr. Don Hunt.

Only students who maintain a grade average of between 3.5 to

9 are eligible for the honor of being designated on the Dean's List.

## Museum Group has Officer Election

Selecting as their official name "American Museum Association", an organizational meeting was held on January 29 by a group of local residents. In the session, Bud Poage was elected to head the group as its President.

Others elected included Mrs. M. J. Edwards, vice-pre,ident; Mrs. Doris Speed, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Jack Smith, currator; Ann Clark, pubiic relations otricer; Tyson Midkitt, acqui ition committee chairman; and Mrs. Jay Lane, exhibit committee chairman. She is to be assisted by Mrs. Dwayne Ma.on.
Last Friday, February 1, the Association moved into their new quarters in the lower portion of the Yates Hotel. A considerable amount of renovation work was recently completed on the facility.

Hospital Notes
J. E. Bullard, Crane, admitted 1-28, di missed 2-5.
Mrs. W. E. Berry, Jr., Rankin admitted 1-29, dismissed 2-5. Mrs. A. D. Alexander, Crane, admitted February 1.

Kristeva Hawkins, Crane, admitted February 3.
David Pringle, Rankin, admitted February 3.
Mrs. Joe Loftin, Rankin, admitted 2-3, dismissed 2-6.
Mrs. Gary Norwood, McCamey admitted February 4.
Mrs. Clint Powell, McCamey, admitted February 5.
Mrs. Sarah Stephenson, Rankin admitted January 14
Bill Harris, Rankin, admitted 1-31, dismissed 2-4.
O. D. Lovell, Mertzon, admitted 1-31, dismissed 2-3.
Brice Norried, Crane, admitted 1-28, dismi sed 2-2.
Mrs. Louise Stesen, Rankin, admitted 1-27, dismissed 2-2.


A combination Yule and retirement party was held last Thursday by Rankin Hospital employees.
Honored was Mrs. W. F. Payne, Director of Nuring, who was retiring after more than 20 years at Rankin Hospital. Mrs. Jim Braden has replaced her. The delay in the Christmas party was due to the illness of Dr. Gossett.

## First Baptist Church

Pastor: J. C. Tankersley, Phone 693-232
God is promoting his redemptive purpose through the New Testament church, the body of Christ. (I Cor. 12:27) Christ is the savior, "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12)

If you are not abiding in the only hope of salvation, Jesus Christ, we at First Baptist Church would like to take this oppor. tunity to invite you to share with us in our hope

ACTIVITIES

| SUNDAYS: |  | WEDNESDAYS: |  |
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| 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School | Bible Study |  |
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| 7:00 | p.m. | Worship Service |  |

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