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RANKIN (79778), UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1975

LAST OFFICE WAS HARD TO COME BY IN 1953 —

School Trustees Take Variety of Steps at Regular Monthly Meet for June

School's Board of Trustees met in regular session on July 8 with the following actions taken:

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Approved payment of June

accepted, with regrets, the resignation of Miss Rita Nell as high school home economics teacher.

accepted, with regrets, the resignation of Mrs. Betty Patton as elementary music teacher.

approved the employment of Janice Bennett as home economics teacher for 1975-76 term.

Swimming Lessons for Adults

for a women's adult swimming class in Rankin by the wayside Monday at the Upton County Commission Court failed to provide an instructor for the Pool Fund to the Commissioner Tommy Rankin put the proposal for money before the court in form of a motion. It died for a second.

number of local women had up for the class that was to have started at the Pool this month. No new are known of at the present time.

Rankin Can Keep It for A Year



Tommy Wilkerson, left, and Jo Dell Followell, show off the traveling trophy, won by Rankin golfers last week when they hung on to win the Upton County Golfing Championship by eleven shots over McCamey. The trophy will remain in Rankin for at least one year—or until the McCamey golfers win it.

- Approved the state salary increases for school administrations and set salary for the school's business manager.

- Reviewed student and football insurance policies and delayed action for further study of policies.

- Approved the leasing of concession stand for the 1975 football season to Mrs. Katy Reams.

- Approved low bid of Gandy's Company for school milk for the 1975-76 school year.

- Approved the firm of Eckert, Storey, Ransom and Ingram of San Angelo as school auditors for the period ending August 31, 1975.

- Approved the release by the First State Bank of Rankin of \$100,000 maturing U. S. Treasury Bills.

- Approved depository agreement with First State Bank of Rankin for two years to August 31, 1975.

- Approved the request from the local television cable company to place cable poles on the school property east of the high school building.

- The Board amended the 1974-75 budget and transferred \$5,000 from category 10 to category 30.

- The Board changed the time of regular meetings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. during the Daylight Saving months.

- Meeting adjourned.

Postal Services Calling Site Bids for Post Office

Rankin is going to get a new post office.

Plans for construction of a new mail facility were confirmed this week from the Midland headquarters and advertisements for bids for sites appear in this issue of The News and may also be obtained at the post office on Main Street. No date for start of construction has been announced.

In the advertisement for bids on the site, the specifications state that the property must have dimensions of 100 ft. x 150 ft., and containing approximately 15,000 square feet for postal purposes. Location is to be in the "business district" of Rankin.

Deadline for submission of site bids is August 12, 1975. They are to be sent to Mr. Carl O. Hyde, Postal Operations Analyst, United States Postal Service, 100 East Wall Street, Midland, Texas 79701.

This is a bid on site—or land—only. Once a location is made, another bid will be put out calling for actual construction of the building itself. Persons interested in submitting bids should include, in writing, the legal description of the site, its dimensions,

May Not Be Easy

Despite the fact that the Postal Service is calling for bids on a new site for construction of a new post office for Rankin, it might not be a bad idea to hold onto your parking place at the present one, if past issues of the Rankin News are any indication. Getting a new post office wasn't all that easy back in '53 when the present structure was erected.

Old newspaper files tell of the first bids in 1952 for 1600 square feet of space being rejected. W. O. Adams was then the acting post master of Rankin and he is quoted as saying that he felt the bids were rejected because the proposed rent of about \$150 per month was too high.

Issues of the paper in February of 1953 tell of bids being taken on 1750 square feet of office space and that the late J. P. Rankin was eventually the successful bidder. Adams is then quoted as saying that construction was expected to be completed in August; however, the back

Now See Here...

Current car ad: "Prices will never be this low again." What they don't tell you is that they have never been this high before.

sions, location and asking price.

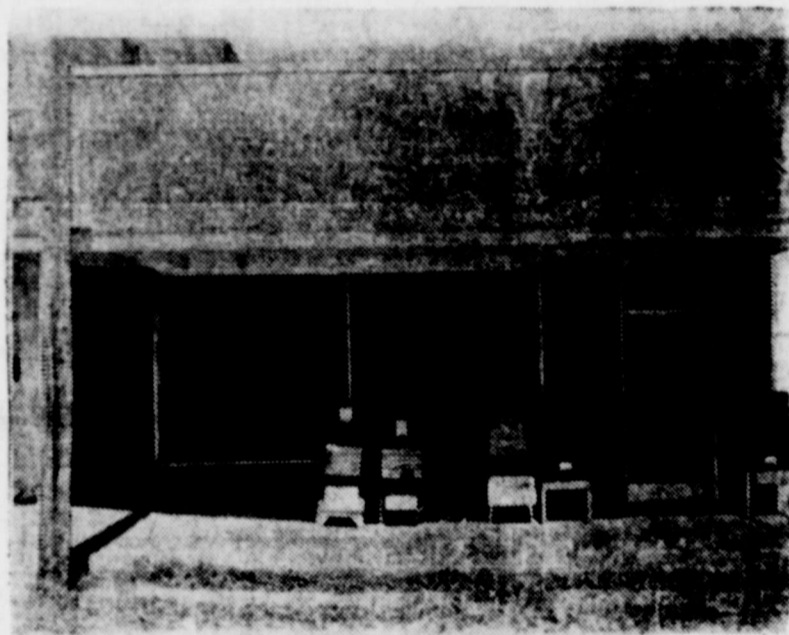
Rankin's present post office was opened in 1953.

Another new post office in the area is to be built in Midkiff. It is reported that bids on their sites must be in by July 31. In a conversation Tuesday with Mrs. Sue Winters, Postmaster at Midkiff, she told The News that she

expected it to take a least a year before they could hope to move into a new building. Mertzon, where a new building is now said to be nearing completion, has been "in the mill" about a year.

It is assumed that Rankin can expect approximately the same length of time—or more—before a new unit is ready for use.

Post Office May Be Moved



OPENED IN 1953

files do not indicate exactly on what date the new office was put into use.

It is believed that it was in the late summer or early fall of '53—some two years after the first call for site bids went out.

Twirling Classes to be Offered here

Cristy Taylor of Andrews will be holding classes starting Tuesday, July 29 and running thru August 2, in twirling. Miss Taylor is a winner of over 300 twirling awards, 1st runner-up in Miss Majorette of the Permian Basin, and holds the Texas State Strutting Award. She has taught twirling for two years and during this time has also taught at the Caravan of Camps at WTSU.

Classes are to start with beginners at 9 a.m. Tuesday, lasting for one hour—and again in the afternoon from 2:00 until 3. Beginners will be those who have never taken lessons before. More advanced students will be taken from 10 until 11 a.m. and in the afternoon from 3:00 until 4:00 p.m.

All classes will be at the Rankin High School tennis courts. Prices will be \$20 for two hours a day, private if desired will be \$4 per hour.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Bobbie Levins by July 27 at 693-2759.

Historical Tidbit

of Rankin & Upton County

HALE EXPLOSION DEATH MYSTERY

McCamey Officers Fail in Diligent Efforts to Place Blame in Death of Hale

The death of John Hale, who was hurled into oblivion by what is supposed to have been a charge of dynamite placed under his bed as he slept in his tent in McCamey sometime ago, seems determined to remain an unsolved mystery and while local officers have been working on the case, they have found no one on whom they can pin the blame.

There is only one solution that the officers can see to it and that is that he was murdered but by whom, there hangs the rub. Three men were arrested at one time and three at another, but no charges were filed.

Sheriff Barfield and Deputies Shannon, Bucy and others have been working on the case, and are still trying to solve the mystery.

—date unknown

BY SCOOP . . . J. B. Hutchens, Jr., Editor

The Scoop

DOG DAYS —

Things are sure getting in bad shape. It's getting so you can't tell the good guys from the bad guys without a program, and even then you can't be sure you don't have a phony. I seen a piece in the paper the other day where some guy was saying that even Ralph Nader has stepped out of line and misused some of the money he collects to fight against people who misuse the money they have collected. It sorta gets confusing—but interesting.

For example, take any given Monday—you can't be sure until at least Tuesday whether we're to be mad that particular week at big oil, big government, a political ripoff or Castro. Along about Wednesday you begin to get the feel of the thing and discover that it's "Be Mad At Ma Bell Week." From there on in—for that particular week —

FAN Club Notes

On July 3 La Verne Whiteley gave of her time to take blood-pressure. We had twenty-seven present. Ethel Wells, Brenda Speed and Mrs. Whiteley have offered their time for this program and we extend our thanks to them.

July 8 was game night with twelve taking part in dominoes and 42 Refreshments were served. We have a need for a teacher of pool—so some of our experts need to get involved.

On July 10 the book study of "Creative Living for Today" got off to a good start with eighteen present. Rev. Ray Singleton lead the discussion.

Our re-order of books will soon be in. Those who would like one may call or come by the Sen-

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it's all downhill and you can give Ma Bell fits, knowing that you have the wholehearted support of the entire team—from Gerald Ford on down.

Of course, due to the fact that they hiked the price on gas just before the July 4th week-end, it (Continued to Next Page)

Hospital Notes

D. J. Rose, Rankin, admitted July 10, dismissed July 12.

Mrs. Heraclio Dominguez, McCamey, admitted 7-11, dismissed July 14.

Baby Boy Dominguez, born on July 11, dismissed July 14.

Delana Chadwick, McCamey, admitted 7-14, dismissed 7-15.

Danny Wayne Holland, Crane, admitted 7-14, dismissed 7-15.

John L. Garner, Iraan, admitted July 14, dismissed July 15.

Mrs. Mamie Archer, Iraan, admitted 7-14, dismissed 7-15.

Richard Wayne White, McCamey, admitted July 15.

Mrs. Gary Elliott, McCamey, admitted July 16.

Baby Girl Elliott, born July 16.

Mrs. C. E. Taylor, Rankin, admitted July 1.

Josh Bryan, Iraan, admitted July 7.

J. W. Stephens, McCamey, admitted July 7.

Mrs. Claude Steward, Iraan, admitted July 7.

Mrs. Jerry Heflin, Rankin, admitted July 16.

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Cranberry Juice, quart jar
COCKTAIL 89c

Green Giant 303 Can
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303 Can
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3-oz. jar Lipton
INSTANT TEA 1³⁹

300 Hunt's
FRUIT COCKTAIL 43c

20-oz. bottle
DEL MONTE CATSUP 53c

Campbell's
VEGETABLE SOUP 19c

Fresh Meats

Choice Beef Arm or Chuck LB.
Beef Roast 93c

Sirloin LB.
STEAK 1⁴⁹

Pork Chops 1⁴⁹

LB.
FRYERS 63c

LB.
Calf Liver 69c

Ranch Brand LB.
BACON 1³⁷

Carnation Flat
TUNA 59

Libby's
VIENNA SAUSAGE 33

King Size Ivory
LIQUID SOAP 98

Giant Bonus
DETERGENT SOAP 1

303 Del Monte Cut
GREEN BEANS 34

46-oz. can Texusun
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 53

18-oz. jar Kountry Fresh
PEACH PRESERVES 79

Quart Jar Kountry Fresh
SOUR OR DILL PICKLES 69

28-oz. bottle Master Plumer
DRAIN OPENER 99

300 Whitson, with Jalapinos
BLACKEYED PEAS 2 for 49

48-oz. jar Welch's
GRAPE JELLY 99

Orchids 8-roll pkg. white or pink
BATHROOM TISSUE 99

Shortening (limit: 2 cans) 3-lb.
CRISCO 2

1/2-gal. Wisk
LIQUID CLEANER 2

24-oz. Slim & Trim Low Calorie
COTTAGE CHEESE 89

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Whole Sun 6-oz. can
Orange Juice 49

Frosty Acres 8-oz.
Broccoli Spears 33

Frosty Acres Mixed 10-oz.
Vegetables 35

Kold Kountry 20-oz.
Cut Corn 59

BOGGS

WE GIVE GOLD BOND STAMPS

GROCERY AND MARKET

DOUBLE STAMPS ON WEDNESDAY

Scoop -

(continued from preceding pg)
"Oil the Skids on Big
the past couple of
and that makes it a
for everyone. Congress
together and set up another
with a ten million
budget, to see if the price

of gas really went up, Mr. Ford
proposed deregulation of all gas
and still another price increase,
and the general public was go-
ing about cussing everybody and
not three out of ten could tell
you how much he or she paid
per gallon for the last gas they
bought.

But despite the price hike, Mr.
and Mrs. Public have not let
up in their efforts to burn up
all the gasoline in the world.
You can stand on Main Street

in Rankin and count the first
ten cars that pass. Teenagers
excluded, out of the ten, seven
will be occupied by only one
person—and the percentages on
the highway or not much better
than fifty-fifty.

But it's no big deal—all just
part of something to do and talk
about while we're waiting for
the next presidential election —
that's been going on since the
last one. I do; however, propose
that we have a "Down With the
Weatherman" week in Rankin in
the near future unless we get
at least two inches of rain be-
fore the end of the month. It's
a shame to stand in your front
yard and watch it rain out in
the pasture where it just more
or less goes to waste.

It helps the ranchers, you say?
I don't see how for they all say
they're beyond help and are go-
ing broke. Of course they have
always been saying that and
for all I know, it's probably
true. Anyway, I'm working on a
deal to get Shank Bloxom to do
a rain dance in front of the post
office at high noon. If his dan-
cing won't make it rain, then we
are truly in for it.

KNICK KNACKS —

What this country needs is a
good fifty-cent cigar. Anything
cheaper tastes like cedar bark
and corn silk.

A BIT MORE —

As noted previously in this
column, it always seems to take
about a year to learn about all
the laws passed by any given
session of the Texas Legisla-
ture. I do not say that this
is intentional on the part of the
members of the Legislature or
anyone else.

It's entirely possible, with the
number of new bills and laws
that are passed every time they
meet, that even members of
the Legislature do not find out
themselves just what they did
for a year or two.

Anyway, for the first time for
me in any case, I read in the

paper last Tuesday that by
1978 we are going to have ve-
hicle registration all year a-
round instead of February to
April—for new plates. Of course,
you're not really going to get
new plates but once every five
years but don't get confused. It
will work just like vehicle in-
spections— as I remember, they
used to all fall in one month—
each vehicle will be given a
certain month in which its re-
gistration will expire and the
owner will be required to buy a
new license sticker during that
particular month—or plate, if it
has been five years—or is it the
owner who is registered?

Well, no matter, don't get con-
fused. It will all be fully ex-
plained to us—in detail—before
the required time. You still may
not understand it but one thing
will be perfectly clear and that
will be that you had better pay
up or you will be in big trouble.

Frankly, I think this is a good
thing— provided the State will

let you pick the month. For in-
stance, who would want to have
their license plates come due in
December, what with Christmas
already busting them? Or how
about if your wife's birthday,
Mother's Day, your anniversary,
and your car tags all come due
in May?

You see, passing new laws is
fine—even if most of us don't
hear about them until they're in
the books. It's just that every
time a new one is passed, some
poor peon's life gets just a little
more complicated. I just know
I won't remember what month
I'm to renew my plates—just
like my sticker that usually is
expired by about three months
before I catch it.

But as the Russian guy said
out in space the other day:
"Hello theresky, what's new,
Pussycatsky?" As long as we
have the Texas Legislature, we
are not going to run out of new
rules and regulations.

First Baptist Church

RAY SINGLETON, PASTOR

"Where everybody is somebody, and Jesus is Lord."

— RIDE OUR BUS TO SUNDAY SCHOOL —

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

693-2324 693-2385 693-2798

ACTIVITIES

DAYS:	Sunday School	WEDNESDAYS:	Bible Study
	9 a.m. Worship Service	7:30 p.m.	and Prayer Meeting
	10 a.m. Training Union		
	6 p.m. Worship Service		

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ITS FUTURE!
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- 7.50 VALUES
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- 8.50 VALUES
- 9.00 VALUES
- 9.50 VALUES
- 10.00 VALUES
- 11.00 VALUES
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- VALUES TO 3.50
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- VALUES TO 4.50
- VALUES TO 5.00
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ON BARGAIN TABLES

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Two Area Men Get Gates Award

Two area men, Lanny Bearden, employed at Rankin Auto Parts, and Bobby Whisman, at Whisman's Exxon in Midkiff, received special "Mystery Shopper" Awards from a representa-

Future Bride Is Shower Honoree

Miss Carol Adler, bride-elect of Lawrence Pruett, was honored Tuesday, July 1 with a bridal shower at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church in Rankin.

Table decorations were carried out in blue and white, the brides chosen colors. A candelabra centerpiece was decorated with blue and white flowers, accented with votive candles.

The honoree and her mother and grandmother, the the prospective bridegroom's mother all were presented with corsages. Guests called during the hours of 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Gayle Pruett of Midland, Mrs. Thomas Howard and Mrs. Don Mills of Big Lake, and Mrs. Kenneth Thomas of Fort Stockton.

Hostesses for the shower included Mesdames Bo Rose, John Kevil, Doris Speed, Don Rogers, H. E. McElroy, Frank Newton, Mickv Reece, Danny Barnes, David Kitchens, Melvin Tiemann, Sidney Flutsch and Doyle Humphries.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING: CITY OF RANKIN, TEXAS

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at the City Hall, City of Rankin, Upton County, Texas at 7:30 O'Clock P. M., July 28, 1975 for the purpose of fixing and equalizing the values of any and all taxable property situated in the City of Rankin, Texas, until such values have finally been determined for taxable purposes for the year 1975, and any and all persons having business with said Board, are hereby notified to be present.

DONE BY THE ORDER OF
THE EQUALIZATION BOARD
OF THE CITY OF RANKIN,
TEXAS, this the 9th day of
July, 1975.

(s) Patricia Wrinkle
Secretary of the Board of
Equalization
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AT THE NEWS OFFICE: Invitations, colored poster board, magic markers—fine and wide points — dictionaries, pencils and pencil sharpeners, Scotch tape, file boxes, index cards, lettering stencils, file folders,



FROM YESTERYEAR — Think you're pretty good at recognizing someone—try this. The picture isn't too clear but if you know your Rankinites, you should get this one. Don't let the dress fool you. It's not related to the date. See back page.

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Minor Baseballers to Play and Saturday in McCamey

McCamey Minor Baseball Tournament is this Friday and Saturday at the Nealie Moore Park. There will be two games each day at 6:00 p.m. and

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8:00 p.m. An admission charge of 50c for anyone 12 years and older will be taken at the entrance of the park.

Friday, July 18, the Rankin All-Stars will play the McCamey Dodgers at 6:00 p.m. and the Iraan All-Stars will play the McCamey Indians at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 19, the two losers on Friday will play at 6:00 p.m. and the two winners from Friday will play for the championship at 8:00 p.m.

Everyone is urged to attend these games and support their teams.

These teams that will play have an age limit from 7 to 11 years and will play tight base rules.

Trophies will be awarded to each player on the championship team.

Legal Notice NOTICE TO BIDDERS

U. S. POSTAL SERVICE
ADVERTISEMENT FOR SITES

DATE: July 14, 1975

The U. S. Postal Service is interested in obtaining an option on a site having dimensions of 100' x 150' and containing approximately 15,000 square feet for postal purposes to be located within the following general area:
Business District
Rankin, Texas 79778

Control of the site will be by an Assignable Option to Purchase, PS Form 7428, for a minimum term of 12 months. Upon acceptance of such Option, the USPS will:

(1) Promptly proceed with preparations of plans and construction requirements for the proposed postal facility to be placed on the land described in the Option to Purchase.

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Lease to purchase the land in accordance with the terms and conditions in the Option to Purchase, and construct thereon a postal facility for lease to the U. S. Postal Service in accordance with Postal Service plans and construction requirements.

Offers will be received in the office of:

Carl O. Hyde
Postal Operations Analyst
United States Postal Service
100 East Wall Street
Midland, Texas 79701

NOT LATER THAN August 12, 1975.

Acceptance of Option to Purchase will be made to that offeror whose site is most advantageous to the U. S. Postal Service, location, price, and other factors considered. The Postal Service reserves the right to negotiate with offerors for better terms, modifications, clarifications, or other changes; to secure offers on suitable properties in addition to those offered initially in response to this Advertisement for Sites; and/or to reject any and all offers.

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Signature: (s) Carl O. Hyde
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GENERAL REVENUE SHARING ACTUAL USE REPORT 5

General Revenue Sharing provides federal funds directly to local and state governments. Your government must publish this report advising you how these funds have been used or obligated during the year from July 1, 1973, thru June 30, 1974. This is to inform you of your government's priorities and to encourage your participation in decisions on how future funds should be spent.

ACTUAL EXPENDITURES		
(A) CATEGORIES	(B) CAPITAL	(C) OPERATING / MAINTENANCE
1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 44,815.	\$
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$ 65,598.	\$
4 HEALTH	\$	\$
5 RECREATION	\$	\$
6 LIBRARIES	\$	\$
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	\$ 584.
9 MULTIPURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT.	\$	
10 EDUCATION	\$	
11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	
12 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	
13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	
14 OTHER (Specify)	\$	
15 TOTALS	\$ 110,413.	\$ 584.

THE GOVERNMENT OF
UPTON COUNTY

has received General Revenue Sharing payments totaling \$106,613 during the period from July 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1975

✓ ACCOUNT NO. 44 1 231 231

UPTON COUNTY 257
COUNTY JUDGE
RANKIN, TEXAS 79778

✓ (D) TRUST FUND REPORT

1. Balance as of June 30, 1974	\$ 74,511.
2. Revenue Sharing Funds Received from July 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1975	106,613.
3. Interest Received or Credited (July 1, 1974 thru June 30, 1975)	3,008.
4. Funds Released from Obligations	3,735.
5. Sum of lines 1, 2, 3, 4	187,867.
6. Funds Returned to ORS	
7. Total Funds Available	187,867.
8. Total Amount Expended (Sum of line 15, column B and column C)	110,997.
9. Balance as of June 30, 1975	76,870.

Nondiscrimination Requirements Have Been Met
(E) CERTIFICATION: I certify that I am the Chief Executive Officer and, with respect to the entitlement funds reported hereon, I certify that they have not been used in violation of either the priority expenditure requirement (Section 103) or the matching funds prohibition (Section 104) of the Act.

✓ (s) PEGGY GARNER 7-9-75
Signature of Chief Executive Date
County Judge Peggy Garner
Name and Title

(F) The news media have been advised that a complete copy of this report has been published in a local newspaper of general circulation. I have records documenting the contents of this report and they are open for public scrutiny at Upton County Courthouse, Rankin, Texas.

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DO It Yourself—the Professional Way for as little as 50c a room. Rent electric shampooper \$1 day with purchase.

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A RECIPE FOR MISERY:

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The Lord can fill an empty cup but what if we, thinking we have enough, never present our cups?

Your presence in worship is a blessing to Us, and to You, and to God.

You are invited to worship with us.

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Sea Star	8-OZ.	Carnation or Pet	2 For
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		TALL CANS	
Frosty Acres	10-Oz. Pkg.	Kleenex	200-ct. box
Strawberries	43c	TISSUE	53c
Seald Sweet	12-oz.	Hunt's 8-oz. can Tomato	2 for
Orange Juice	63c	SAUCE	39c
Fruits - Vegetables			
Yellow	LB.	Throwaway Bottles	6-Pack
ONIONS	23c	Cokes or Dr. Pepper	1⁰⁹
U. S. No. 1	10-lb. bag	Sun Lite	3 For
POTATOES	1³⁵	BISCUITS	49c
	LB.	Kounty Kist 12-oz.	3 For
LETTUCE	23c	CORN	\$1
M E A T S			
	LB.	Van Camp's 300's	3 for
Beef Ribs	89c	Pork & Beans	98c
	LB.	Gerber's Strained	3 For
Bologna	1¹⁰	Baby Food	53c
Bar-S	PKG.	Grandma's	3 pkgs.
Weiners	98c	COOKIES	\$1
	Lb.	Folger's	1-lb. can only
Chuck Roast	99c	COFFEE	1²⁹
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RANKIN (79778), UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1975

Minutes Tell of Actions Taken Commissioner Court Meet

All members present, the County Commissioners met in Regular Session on July 17, 1975. One of the actions taken at the meeting, that of refusing to pay funds for an instructor of adult women's swim was reported last week.

Actions taken by the court included a motion, passed unanimously, that approved a resolution of the Texas Animal Control Association, Inc. for predatory animal control amount of \$325 per man. The County Judge was asked to sign this agree-

ment receiving unanimous approval was that of an agreement between the county and Texas Opportunities, for the county to receive

Rankin is Second in All-Texas Tourney

Putting down the McCall Dodgers 12-9 and adding to the finals in the Minor League Baseball Tournament, in the last week-end, the All-Star ran into the hot McCamey Indians 11-1, giving them 2nd in the standings.

Players for Rankin were Denzell Mack, Michael Northcott, Todd Ratliff, Robbie Heflin, Ricky Jeff Wright, Jesse Herke, Keith Kevil, Chug Brown,asty Kilks, Tracy Casey, Doege and Eddie Temple-

Managing the team was Bo with Darrell Northcott as

teams were entered in tournament, including an All-Star team.

Rankin Yesteryear...



at the Rankin Museum: this group, date unknown, who attended a Saturday picnic in Rankin: Bruce Monroe, J. S. Lane, Mae Tierce, Gwendolyn Patterson, Hattie Garner, Carrie Tierce, Hazel Smith, Etta Teague, Wanda Harlan, Delma Childress, Leldon Childress, Roy Cooper, J. D. Monroe and Char-

One Coach Resigns While Two Hired

Girls High School Coach Micky Rundell has submitted his resignation to the Rankin School Board of Trustees and has accepted a position as high school principal at Fluvana. Rundell came to Rankin in 1973 from the Olton School District. Mrs. Rundell worked until last term as the Special Education teacher in the Rankin system.

Supt. A. C. Copeland said that a replacement for the coach was hired last Tuesday. He is Willard Hedges and comes to Rankin from the Ropesville School District. Ropesville has had a very strong Girls Track program in recent years.

Another coach hired this week by Rankin Schools is Henry Anderson. He will replace Junior (Continued to Page 5)

Winners Named for Upton 4-H Club's Style Revue Held July 15 in McCamey

Upton County's 4-H Style Revue was held Tuesday, July 15 at the McCamey Park Building. All first place winners will now advance to District 6 4-H Style Revue, to be held in Stanton on July 29.

Lani Steward of McCamey was winner in the 9-year-old division, with Hope Glosser of Rankin as alternate. In the 10-year-old division, the winner was Laura Stone of Rankin, with Lori Steward of McCamey as alternate.

The 11-year-old portion was an all Rankin affair with Kristi Bell winning 1st and Brenda Ortiz, alternate. For the 12-year-olds, it was Nicci Stephens of McCamey, 1st; Kim and Karrie Ratliff, Rankin, alternates.

Lisa Steward of McCamey won the 13-year-old division and Dolores Guevarra of McCamey took 1st in the senior classification.

Others participating were Cheryl Reeves, Julie Hopper, Kym Rogers, Linda Myrick and Robin Rogers.

Boy Scout Meet Will be Monday

Rankin Scoutmaster Bill Johnson announced today that Rankin Boy Scouts will resume their regular meetings next Monday evening. Time will be at 7:00 at the Scout Hut.

All boys ages eleven and older are invited to attend and to become Boy Scouts if they do not already belong to the organization.

Only 8 Were Dry Holes —

141 New Oil Wells Drilled In Upton County During 1974

The production of crude oil and natural gas in 1974 continued to have a significant impact on the economy of Upton County, with the estimated value of the county's production, royalty payments, and state severance taxes reaching new highs.

Upton was one of 197 counties—an increase of four from 1973—which produced oil and gas valued in excess of \$100,000 in a year which saw the total value of state production jump from just over \$6.7 billion to almost \$11.4 billion.

The county ranked 27th in the state in the total value of petroleum produced—\$105.2 million—with \$91.7 million of that coming from the sale of 13.1 million barrels of crude oil; \$13.5 mil-

lion from the sale of 46.2 million MCF of natural gas.

This study by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association shows also that the county's petroleum production last year resulted in the payment of \$13.1 million to royalty owners.

Oil and gas developers and producers spent an estimated \$13.6 million drilling 141 wells in the county last year, with 3.3 percent of that figure lost in eight dry holes. The total drilling yielded 131 oil wells and two gas wells. The exploratory effort in the county included the drilling of six wildcat wells seeking new oil and gas fields.

According to the Texas Employment Commission, 673 oil and gas industry employees worked in the county in 1974 and shared a payroll totalling \$9.1 million.

Processing plants also added to the county's petroleum-related economy: the "Oil and Gas Journal" lists six natural gasoline processing plants, with a daily capacity of 131.7 million cubic feet.

The survey also shows that the State of Texas received \$5.2 million in production taxes from Upton County wells, with \$4.2 million coming from crude oil output and \$1 million from natural gas production.

"These figures, whether considered statewide or individually in almost 80 percent of Texas' 254 counties, emphasize the importance of a healthy petroleum industry in the nation's No. 1 energy state," said Sherman Hunt, a Dallas independent oil man who is president of Texas Mid-Continent.

"In the face of declining production in Texas, it is significant that this increased return to royalty owners and producers came from crude oil and natural gas which is free from restrictive federal price controls. But (Continued to Page 4)

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Alternates: Hope Glosser, Lori Steward, Brenda Ortiz, Karrie Ratliff, Kim Ratliff

Historical Tidbit

of Rankin & Upton County

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