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Abstract: **Neil Andrew Banfield**

Mr. Banfield was born in El Campo, Texas in 1924. After attending A & M for a short period he joined the Air Force and tells an amusing story about his military service. Eventually he returned to Rosenberg and took up rice farming. He describes various farming and irrigation techniques.

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Interview Summary

People (in order mentioned in interview)

Jesse Banfield - grandfather from Coway, Arkansas
 Alma Banfield - paternal grandmother
 Neil Oscar Banfield - father
 Fritz Cornelius - maternal great grandfather
 George Andrew Duffy - maternal grandfather who worked for Shanghai Pierce
 Dora Cornelius - maternal grandmother
 Annie Inez Duffy - Mother
 Carolyn Katherine Vilt - wife from Needville
 Lester Ray Banfield - brother
 Beverly Banfield - daughter
 Duffy Banfield - son
 Sally Banfield - daughter
 Andy Banfield - son
 James Banfield - son
 Cecil Forester - teacher
 Mr. McNeill - teacher
 Mrs. Eichmann - teacher
 Don Schlicher - rice grader
 Dean Leaman - friend
 Dan Cowart - friend
 Burnet Jurica - friend
 Lydia Turicchi Mahlmann - friend
 Miss Kitty Lane - landlady
 George Fowler - partner

Places / Businesses

Danevang, Texas
 Shanghai-Pierce
 El Campo
 George Ranch
 Moore Family farm
 Robert Lee Elementary School
 The Production Credit Association
 Richmond Irrigation Company
 Varieties of Rice: Zenith, Bluebonnet, Century Patna

Events

A & M for school
 Wild Rose hedgerows
 Great Depression, WW I and WW II
 Rice Farming
 Irrigation, Prices for selling rice