

Shahan brings new breed of cattle to Kinney County

By LaShawn Wardlaw
Contributing Writer

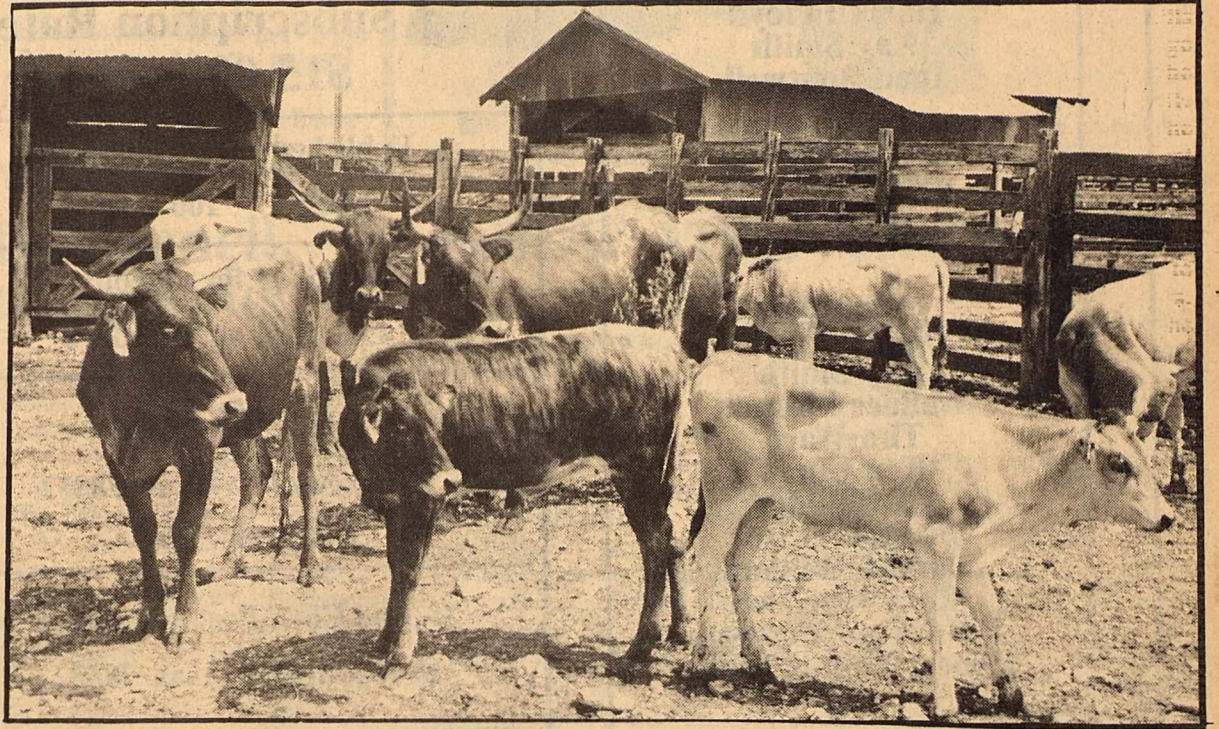
September 10th, Happy Shahan owner of ALAMO Village in Brackettville, Texas and longtime Longhorn breeder brought a new and exciting cattle breed to Kinney County: the Piedmontese breed.

The Piedmontese breed originated and was developed in Italy from distinct breed, the Auroch and Zebu. In 1981, the United States was introduced to this breed and today there are approximately 300 full-bloods in the United States.

Characteristics such as thin, resilient skin, high milk yield, docility and easy handling, longevity, adapts to wide range of climates and meat requires 1/3 less cooking time are a few of the Piedmontese breed assets.

Piedmontese beef is exactly what today's consumers are seeking: lean, low in cholesterol, tender, juicy and flavorful. In fact, comparison of cholesterol (mg) in 100 grams (3 1/2 oz) Piedmontese beef has 36 while chicken has 84, turkey has 70 and cod has 81. Piedmontese genetically trims fat. It has the highest in dressing percentage of all breeds, which can be as much as 72%.

How did the Piedmontese breed arrive in Kinney County? Dr. Stewart H. Fowler of Wimberly, Texas who has been involved judging cattle shows across the world, teaching Animal Science at many major colleges and being involved in the research of various breeds met Houston McClain of Canyon Lake, Texas



The cattle shown above are the Piedmontese breed that Happy Shahan has brought to Kinney County. This breed was developed in Italy from distinct breed, the Auroch and Zebu.

at a Piedmontese Convention in south Georgia. They have been friends ever since.

Dr. Fowler had also been a longtime friend of Shahan's and felt that this was a breed that could not be overlooked. This was a breed that Shahan would like. McClain and Fowler then contacted Shahan. They were right, Shahan did like!

Shahan, Fowler and McClain agree that this is the cattle breed of the future. Houston McClain is one of the five major breeders in the United States, and is dedicated

to producing the finest Piedmontese cattle in North America. McClain stands by his word because he had the Grand Champion Female and the Junior Champion at the 1991 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo.

Shahan obtained a full-blood bull and three half-blood heifers from McClain. (1/2 Piedmontese and 1/2 Longhorn) The Piedmontese is one of the finest breeds for crossbreeding. Dominant traits of Piedmontese crosses is the calving ease, small bones, heavy muscling and efficient feed conversion.

"Like most European breeds, the Piedmontese is a double muscle breed. What makes this breed spectacular is the fact that the Piedmontese are born smaller without heavy muscle until later. They are born slim and gain their muscle quickly," says Fowler.

Fowler, an expert in this field truly feels that this is the breed of the future. Shahan and McClain agree that bringing the Piedmontese breed to Kinney County is a fantastic beginning. Yes indeed, it's a beginning to the breed of the future.



Mr. Pete Pacheco proudly showing off the sign of the new apartment complex.

Pete Pacheco named Resident Manager of new apartments

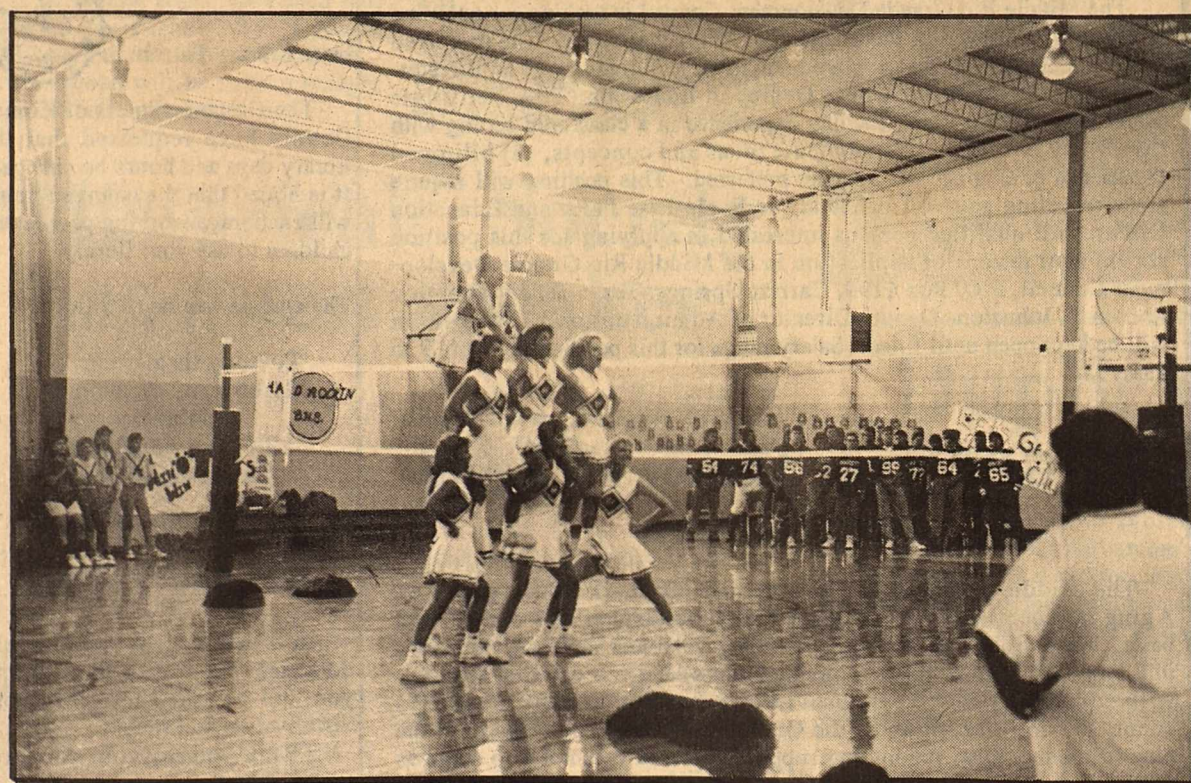
The Brackettville Senior apartments, an equal housing facility is now leasing to citizens over age 62 or handicapped or disabled.

named resident manager by the Calhoun Professional Management Company, based in Mansfield, La. His immediate supervisor is Wanda Smith. She is over the Brackettville properties and also Sonora, Junction, Eldorado, Colorado City and Ozona, TX. There are 32 units available,

some with one bedroom, some with two bedrooms. They are unfurnished but have a refrigerator and stove. They also have central air and heat. The rent for these apartments is based on an annual

There will be a meeting room available to the community as well as the apartment residents.

Mr. Pacheco has extensive experience in apartment management in San Antonio and Austin, prior to his employment here. The Grand opening will be announced soon.



Varsity Cheerleaders pictured above are Jenifer Shahan, Valerie Talamantez, Michelle Brandt, Wendy McDaniel, Kim Ahrens, Jennifer Terrazas, Yvette Rocha, and Jessica Taylor. Good work, Girls!

The City and County have special meeting

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met on Monday, September 16, 1991, in a Special Meeting.

All members were present. The Road Administrator applications and applicants were reviewed and interviewed again. A road administrator, Mr. Skiles from Bluffdale, Texas, was hired. He is to start work Monday.

The retirement buy-back was discussed.

A discussion of a fence being built on the old Nueces River Road (Chapman Lane) was discussed.

The Court went into executive session to discuss personnel.

The meeting was adjourned around noon.

The City of Brackettville held a public hearing on the swimming pool project on Monday September 16th at 6:00 p. m. at the Kinney County Courthouse.

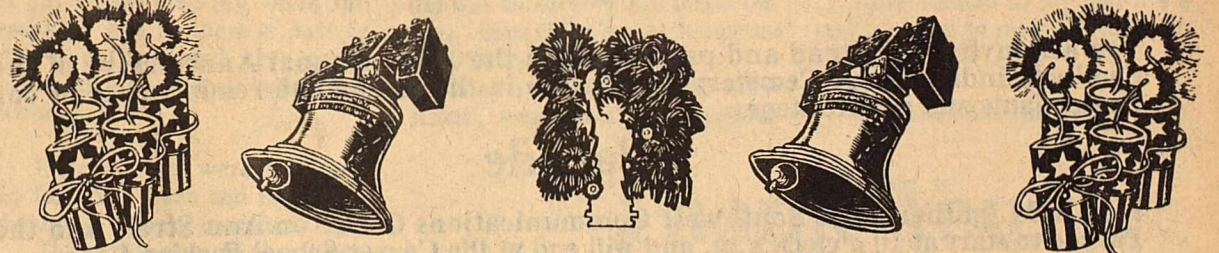
Mayor Pro-Tem Bravo and Alderman Gonzalez from the City Council were present. Also in attendance was Kinney County Judge Tim Ward and a few visitors. The purpose of this meeting was to allow citizens an opportunity to review and discuss the completed project. Judge Ward stated the pool was destroyed during the flood Brackettville had in 1989. All persons whom attended the hearing were in agreement the pool was an asset to the community.

The City of Brackettville held a budget hearing on Tuesday, September 17th at 7:14.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bravo, Alderman Gonzalez and Alderman Terrazas were present. Alderman Fuentetaja and Alderman Cervantes were absent.

Budget Liaison, Alderman Gonzalez walked the Council through the 91-92 Budget. Alderman Gonzalez pointed out to the Council that some of the line items in the 91-92 budget were higher and some were lower than last year budget 90-91. Some of the items discussed on the budget were wages, fica, tec, health insurance, liability and worker

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Bells across America

September 17 was the anniversary of one of the most significant events in the history of freedom: the signing of the United States Constitution. On that date in 1787, thirty-nine courageous delegates of foresight representing the states affixed their signatures to a document that revolutionized the governing process and established the world's first government of the people, by the people and for the people.

The United States Constitution is the world's oldest written instrument of national government still in use today. It is the cornerstone of the American republic, a symbol of our national ideals of freedom, justice, and equal opportunity. To commemorate the historic moment when the Constitution was signed, the Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution invites every American and every institution - from religious and educational to service and professional - to join in a ringing tribute to the Constitution, "Bells Across America."

In the centuries before telecommunication, the ringing of bells in America provided a form of communication - celebrating happy events, warning of impending danger, and calling to worship.

The Spanish brought the first bells to the New World from South America. Settlers in New England brought bells from England for use in their churches. In many communities churches held spirited competitions over which had the

largest or most melodic bell. The demand for church bells eventually gave rise to the bell foundry industry in the Colonies.

Without doubt, the most famous bell in America is the Old State House Bell which rang on July 8, 1776, after the public reading of the Declaration of Independence. This bell, known today as the Liberty Bell, is visited by millions of people annually at Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia.

The bell was cast at Whitechapel Bell Foundry in England in 1752. Its original purpose was to celebrate the 50th anniversary of William Penn's charter founding the colony of Pennsylvania. The biblical inscription, "Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land Unto All the Inhabitants Thereof" (Leviticus 25:10), signified personal and religious liberty in Pennsylvania, not independence. That symbolism came years later.

Shortly after its arrival from England, the bell cracked while being tested. It was about to be returned to England when two young ironmongers attempted to recast it. They broke up the metal, melted it, and added a leaven of native copper to make it less brittle. Unfortunately, after the new bell was hung, it gave forth an "unspeakable wretched" sound. The bell had to be recast, and now carries the date 1753, the year in which it was melted down and remade.

After sounding America's independence in July 1776, the

Old State House Bell went into hiding in a crypt beneath an Allentown church, eluding British attempts to confiscate it. Meanwhile, a false announcement was circulated that it had been buried in the waters of the Delaware River.

Legend has it that, in 1835, while tolling the death of John Marshall, the bell cracked and went silent. A dispute eleven years later over which church bells should ring in honor of George Washington's birthday led to the decision to repair the old bell. Workmen hurriedly widened the crack in the bell, hoping to prevent any vibration that would further expand it. But the attempt failed, and after a few notes the mended bell cracked once more, never to ring again. In the coming years, there was talk of discarding the cracked bell.

The Liberty Bell acquired its familiar name during the years before the Civil War when the Abolitionist movement adopted it and its Biblical inscription as a symbol of their opposition to slavery. Its role symbolizing the independent, patriotic, American spirit gained widespread acceptance during the 1876 Independence Centennial.

Though no longer rung, the Liberty Bell is "tapped" every July 4th and on other momentous occasions. As one of the nation's most treasured legacies, it continues as a symbol of liberty, justice, and equality.

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563-9551
West Crockett Street

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Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service (T.B.A.)
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

St. Andrews Episcopal Church

Henderson and Fort Street
Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons
563-2071

Sunday Church Services 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church

(Southern Baptist)
307 N. Ann Street
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - Sun. 11:00 a.m.
Workshop Service - Sun. 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Service - Wed. 6:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

North Ann Street
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study - Sun. 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

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Father David G. Zumaya, Pastor
Masses Monday & Friday 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday & Saturday 6:30 p.m.
Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 a.m.
Sunday (English) 10:30 a.m.
Confessions Wed. & Sat. 6:00 p.m.
Religion Classes Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Religion Classes Sun. 9:15 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Wed. (in Spanish) 7:00 p.m.

Frontier Baptist Church

A Southern Baptist Church
Joe Townsend, Pastor
563-2158
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Celebrate September 21 and 22, 1991 Seminole Day's Celebration

You are invited to attend and participate in the 119th Annual Anniversary of the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association in the Honor and reminiscence of our Descendants and our Heritage.

Parade

9:30 A.M. gathering at Southwest Communications Office on Ann Street and the Parade to start at 10 o'clock a.m. and will end at the Carver School Parking Lot. 11:00 a.m. Awards will be presented.

Guest Speaker

Bishop Lonnie Green Jr., Pastor of the Bible Way Church of Christ of Del Rio, Texas will be the guest speaker at the Carver School Grounds after the Parade.

Bar-B-Que Lunch

12:00 p.m. Fabulous Bar-B-que lunch will be served.
\$3.50 a plate with choice of one meat
\$4.00 a plate with choice of two meats
\$5.00 a plate with combination of all meats.

Festival and Fair

There will be games, exhibits, singing, booths at the Carver School Grounds in a festival atmosphere for all to participate and enjoy.

Anyone wishing to be in the Parade or Put an exhibit or booths at the Carver School Grounds on September 21 and 22, 1991, may contact Beverly A. Wright at 563-2422, days before 5 p.m. for further information. (You may even have a yard sale.) All we ask is a donation to the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association.

Music and Disco Dance

Saturday Night at Pipo's Place (Maggie's old place) for \$2.00 per person. Contact Beverly for tickets and more information.

Tracks Along the Trail

By Dorothy Payne
Cavalryman Staff Writer

The Chicasaw Indians lived in the northern part of Mississippi next to the Choctaw tribe, to whom they were related. The Choctaw were farmers.

The Chicasaw had to make their living by proceeds of sales of cotton, horses, beef, cattle, and hogs. They were one tribe who tried to dress and act civilized. As a nation the men were brave and honest and the women were beautiful and virtuous. They were one of the first civilized tribes who tried to live like the whites. The

white men who identified themselves with the Chichasaws knew Mechanic Arts. Among the tribes were wheelwrights, carpenters, mill rights, and blacksmiths. They also sent some of their boys away to school.

At this particular time Congress enacted Jackson's Indian Removable Bill and the State of Mississippi extended her laws over the Chicasaw nation. At last they were pressed to sign a treaty in 1832 yielding up their lands in Mississippi in return for a promise by the Government to find them a home west of the Mississippi River where they hoped to

finally live in peace. But it was not until 1837 that their emigration began and was completed within a year. They lived mostly in Boggy Depot in what is now the State of Oklahoma.

Old chief Teshomingo lived several years after removal and died May 5, 1841. There was a custom among the Choctaw and Chicasaw people to fire a gun to announce the death of a member of the town where the tribes lived. They painted the dead chiefs face black and red, "they shot the gun" and "blew the horn. The chiefs last words were "When I am gone, beat the Drum and fire the Guns".

Public Notices

Job Announcement

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is looking for qualified applicants interested in the position of JTPA instructor. The preferred requirements for this position are as follows: (1) graduate of an accredited college or university with a Degree in Education (TEA Certificate preferred), (2) two years teaching experience in a classroom setting with the ability to clearly communicate ideas and concepts, (3) bilingual experience in English and Spanish preferred. This position will require some traveling and will office at the Eagle Pass JTPA and Education Center. All qualified persons interested in applying for this position should mail resume or application to the Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, attention Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration. This position will be kept open until filled. Salary range for this position is \$15,009 to \$31,733.

MRGDC Area Agency on Aging Ombudsman

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council Area Agency on Aging is accepting applications for an Ombudsman on a contractual basis. Responsibilities include overseeing volunteer advocacy functions in 8 long-term care facilities (Nursing Homes) and coordinating activities with community-based care providers for senior citizens in nine (9) county service area, promote the Ombudsman Program throughout the nine (9) county area, recruit and support qualified volunteers to serve as Ombudsman for long term care facilities (Nursing Homes) in MRGDC/AAA service area.

Qualifications: High school or G.E.D., bi-lingual, experience working with human service organizations, experience with volunteers and public speaking helpful. All interested parties should send applications or resumes to Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, MRGDC, P.O. Nob 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. This notice will be kept until position filled. Area Agency on Aging gives preference in hiring (full/part-time) to persons 60 or older, subject to the requirements of state of local government merit employee system, for any staff positions for which such individual qualifies.

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New Hours



Dear Library Patron:

The Commissioners of Kinney County have requested that the library days and hours be changed. It is hoped that the changed hours will encourage working people and children to use your library.

The change will be as follows

Tuesday through Friday
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday
9:00 am - 5:00 p.m.
Closed on Mondays

Effective Date:

October 1, 1991

In order to accurately document the use of the Library, you will be asked to record your visit by date and time.

Thank you for your cooperation in this endeavor.

Most Sincerely,
S/S Mary H. Mitchell,
Librarian

Annual Meeting

Rio Grande Electric Cooperative which serves members in 18 counties in Texas and two in New Mexico will hold its Annual Meeting on September 28, 1991 at the Nutrition Center in Crystal City, Texas. The Nutrition Center is located on Farm Road 1433 in Crystal City.

Registration for the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. with the Meeting to start at 10:00 a.m. President, J. H. Williams, III will preside at the business meeting where the results of the election of five Board Members will be announced.

Attendance prizes and door prizes will be awarded. A free barbecue lunch will be served for all members and their families at noon.

Rio Grande invites and urges all members to attend the 46th Annual Meeting.

Fort Clark Springs News



Eyes are on Rusty Owen

Rusty Owen was born in 1919 in North Georgia. He grew up there and joined the service in 1942. He was a pilot during the war. Following the war, he went into Administration. His duties took him all over the world; Guam, Japan, Viet Nam, Korea, Europe, North Africa and the U.S.A. Rusty retired from the service after serving for twenty-three years, in 1964. He returned to Georgia and went into the real estate and development business for several years.

One day he told his wife, Maxine, "lets do some traveling." So they bought a 30 ft. Airstream and set out. For the next ten years they traveled all over the United

States and Mexico. On one of their stops, upon checking their mail, they received a notice about Fort Clark Springs. They decided to come see what it was all about. They bought a membership in 1981 and later that year moved here permanently. Unit 15 was available then, so they got a mobile home and set it up.

Rusty has one son, Randy and two grandchildren, Mark and Nicole. They all live in Houston.

In 1991, Rusty purchased a home in the Townhouses, sold his mobile home and moved there. He keeps busy fixing up the place and caring for his little poodle, "Baby".

"Fiesta and Fashion" Show

Cavalryman Staffwriter

It's that time again! On Friday, October 18th the Fort Clark Golf Association will present their 3rd Annual "Fiesta and Fashion" Show.

This is not an amateur production, the local personalities serving as models have been well trained by Vicki Nichols, formerly Joske's Fashion Director.

A special added attraction will be an appearance by "Lyanna Floss and the Soup Turrines." This group will be coming straight from their "mind shattering"

performance in the Lost Morals Inn. The Fashion Committee consists of Vicki Nichols, assistants Nelda Archer, Patti Barnett, Helen Miller, Marge Adams, Eileen Voracek, Dwhite Gilliland, Bob Gaston and Bill Mitchell.

So Brackettville, please join Fort Clark Springs for an entertaining evening on the Golf Club Terrace. Refreshments at 7:00 P.M.

Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased from the Pro Shop 563-9204, the Adult Center 563-2024, Marge Adams or Eileen Voracek.

Historical Society has guest speaker

By Joan Boutwell
Cavalryman Reporter

The Fort Clark Historical Society will meet in the "Sabre Room" at 10:00 a.m. Saturday September 28th. Guest speaker will be James S. Long, Chairman of the Board of the Laughlin Heritage Foundation. His topic will be "The October Surprise", and will be accompanied by photos of U-2 aircraft, actual aerial photography of the missile sites, and an aerial map of Cuba autographed by many who flew the strategic reconnaissance missions at extreme altitudes over the Island of Cuba.

On May 23rd, 1987, Long was designated an Honorary Member of the 4080th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing for his efforts in preserving the history and traditions of the Wing, including the Lockheed U-2C(56-6707) currently on display at Laughlin Air Force Base. Although he considers himself an amateur historian, Long has done extensive research on Camp Hudson on Devils River and of course Laughlin Air Force Base.

Mr. Long was educated in Del Rio public schools and the University of Texas. He holds professional licenses as a Real Estate Broker; Insurance Solicitor; Public Water System Operator; and Commercial Pilot.

Thank You

To Fort Clark residents, the people of Brackettville and Kinney County. We want you to know how grateful we were for your cards, flowers, telephone calls and other expressions of concern about Tom and his recent illness. There

is no way we can thank you enough for everything you did for us.

You are the greatest people and we appreciate you.

Tom and Dot Burrow

Recreation News

The Volksmarch will be this weekend, Sept. 20, 21 & 22. The Activity Center will be the headquarters of registration and gathering. There will be walking, biking and swimming events. Everyone of all ages are invited to attend. The schedule of events will be posted at the Activity Center.

The Fredericksburg shopping trip has been canceled, due to lack of interest.

Remember Las Vegas night makes its come back Saturday, Sept. 28th in the Cavalry room, the room over the restaurant, at 7:30 p.m. Come on out for an evening of fun.

Fort Clark Calendar

Meetings

Architecture Committee - 9 a.m.
Board Room each Tuesday.

Recreation Board - 9:30 a.m.
The Adult center 1st Thursday

Planning Committee - 9 a.m.
Board Room 1st Friday

Community Council - 9 a.m.
Shaftner Hall 2nd Saturday

Board of Directors - 9 a.m.
Board Room 3rd Saturday

Historical Society Board - 10 a.m.
Sabre Room 4th Saturday

Art Club - Work days -
Mon & Sat 10 am to 3:30 pm
Business meetings will continue in the fall.

Activities

Duplicate Bridge - Sabre Room
Sunday 1:30 pm, Tuesday 7 pm

Ladies Exercise - Activity Center
Mon-Fri, 10 am, Wed, 9:30 am

Florida Scramble - Monday 9am
Par 3-\$1.50, sign-in by 8:45 am

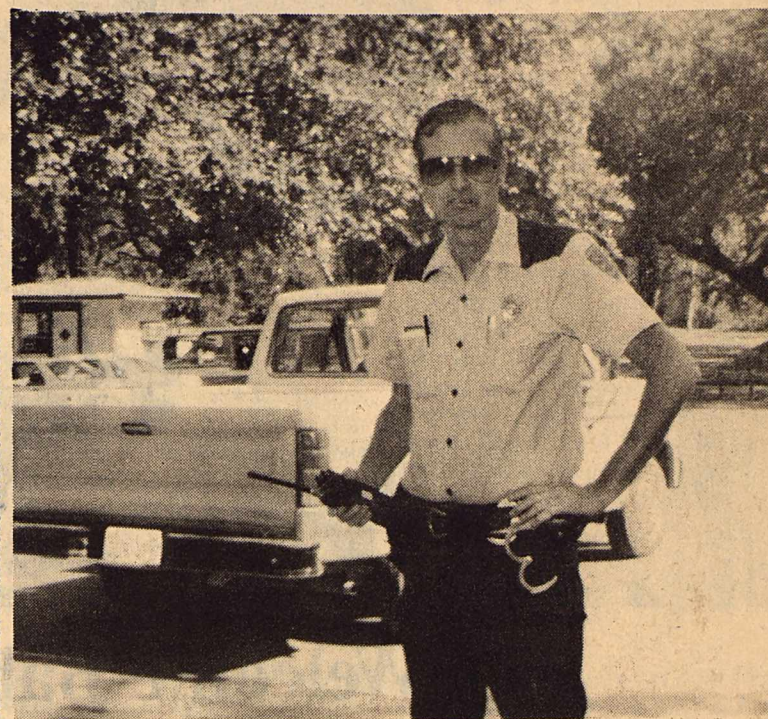
"500" Card Night - Adult Center
Tuesday 7:30 pm

VFW & Ladies Aux. - NCO 7 pm

Bingo - Shaftner Hall 8 pm

Ceramic House - Sat 12 pm - 5 pm
Sun 1 - 5 pm, Mon 7 - 10 pm

Old Quarry Society - Sabre Room
7 p.m.



Bill Sampson, Fort Clark Springs security guard, is pictured above on duty making Fort Clark Springs a safe place to live.

Community Council has regular meeting

By Joan Boutwell
Cavalryman Reporter

The Community Council of Fort Clark met Sept. 14 at Shafter Hall. Returning from his vacation, Pres. Dick Hirsch presided. There were twenty six people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved from the Aug. 10th meeting; as was the Treasurer's report.

There were two members of the Board of Directors present, Rozetta Pingenot and Elsa O'Rourke.

Pres. Hirsch recognized Joe Niebert, the restaurant manager and commented to him that he had eaten at the Friday night Mexican buffet and enjoyed it a lot. Other members agreed. Pres. Hirsch thanked his other officers for the hard work they had done in his absence.

Reports were made by Walt Bauguess with the Hospitality committee, Dorothy Gore with the Project committee and Vicki Nichols with Publicity. Pres. Hirsch commented that unit reporters were needed for the Little Horn and requested anyone interested to call Vicki Nichols.

A special report was made by Roland Boyson on taxes. He stated that the past vote held by the State was worded very cleverly and although many thought they were voting for a tax exemption it really wasn't.

George Foster made a special report on REA's up coming annual member meeting to be held in

Crystal City. All members are reminded to return their ballots promptly by Sept. 20th and to try to attend the Sept. 28th meeting. This is a good time to give the REA Board of Directors our input.

Mr. Foster also reported on the Seminole Cemetery's up coming celebration, Sept. 21st. There will be a parade at 9 a.m. and Bar B Que at noon to be held at Carver Park. There will also be booths of various other items. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Pete Pacheco announced that he has been made resident manager of the new Brackettville Seniors Program. He went on to explain that rent was based on yearly income. There are 32 apartments and are available to the disabled and elderly. For more information you may call him at 563-2705.

The Oct. meeting will have Mr. Nevinger, the Associations Manager as a speaker.

Marge Geeze brought up the fact that some members are saying that Recreation is losing money as its presented that way on the budget. She said this was not the case as the director is staying within her budget. A discussion was had and it was agreed to table it until next meeting when the manager will be there to answer our questions and give some explanation of the total budget and wording.

Refreshments were furnished by Lorraine Sloan and they were delicious. Thanks Lorraine!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Know your employee

Cavalryman Staff Writer

Bill Sampson was born in Chandler, Ariz. at Williams AFB in 1946. At the early age of 14 he went to work for the Bishops Coastal Customs in Portland, TX. He subsequently became the manager there until 1963 when he joined the USAF. He became a jet fighter mechanic and in 1967 worked for Air America. He did work in Laos during 1967 and then in 1968 he transferred to Southeast Asia for three tours of duty. He also served one tour of duty in England. His jobs within the Air Force were versatile, for 17 years he worked as an anti-craft mechanic and 4 years he was in

service division. He retired after 21 years of service and then worked as a billeting manager for TDY personnel and resources adviser.

The highlight of his career was repairing President Nixon's helicopter just two hours prior to his using it at Laredo, Tex. AFB.

Bill retired with the rank of Master Sargent in 1985. He moved to Del Rio. The Chief of Security at Fort Clark (at the time), was looking for some help and asked him to come and fill out an application for a security guard. He was hired and has been here ever since.

Bill's hobbies are gun collecting, reading and cruising the skies in his Ultra-lit plane, when he has time.

New Texan arrives

Papa said, "Mama, that baby can't come 'til we get to Texas!" Mama listened.

On Sunday, September 8, 1991, 3:29 a.m. at Val Verde Memorial Hospital, I became the first member of our family to be born a real Texan. Mama (Regina) was so nervous she lost 6 lbs. 3 oz. Papa (Bill) had to stretch his arms 20 inches to hold me.

Tony and B.J., my two older sisters, were just a tad bit jealous

'cause they only get to be transplanted Texans.

My maternal Grandpa, John Zanzola of Portland, Oregon and my paternal Grandparents, Bill and Margret Haynie of Springfield, Nebraska were tickled pink (as long as they don't tickle me!)

I just wanted to say that it's a real pleasure to meet all you nice folks.

Sincerely,
Rozanne Ilene Haynie

Thank You

On Sunday morning, September 8, 1991, we knew it was time for the baby to be born. With labor pains coming three to four minutes apart, it was doubtful we could make the drive to Del Rio before our daughter decided to meet her father.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the FCS Security Guards on duty, Mr. Hunter and Mr. Keddy for their valuable as-

sistance. We would also like to send out a very special "Thank You" to Adrian Reyes, the ambulance driver and Chet Puda, the ambulance attendant, for their professionalism, their expertise and most of all for their comforting presence.

They are definitely a credit to Fort Clark Springs and Brackettville. Thank you very much.

Regina & Bill Haynie

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Your New Carpet:
Proper Installation Can Make A Difference

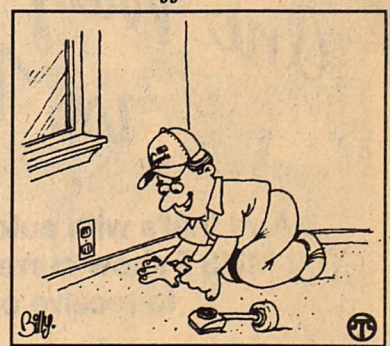
A quality installation will make the difference in your new floor covering and will mean long-lasting value, performance and satisfaction. The Carpet and Rug Institute, the trade association representing America's carpet and rug manufacturers, suggests that you discuss the following guidelines with the professional you've selected to install your new carpet:

MEASUREMENT—The installer or retailer should carefully measure each room or area to determine the necessary square yardage. Particular attention should be paid to windows, doors, closets and unusual angles.

INSPECTION—Prior to installation, inspect the carpet for color variation or defects (if any).

SEAMS—Seams should be placed in locations where they will receive minimal traffic. A good installer should try to install the carpet so the seams are as unnoticeable as possible.

POWER-STRETCHING—The carpet should be power-stretched to produce a tight installation and mini-



mize potential wrinkles or ripples.

VENTILATION—Make sure adequate fresh air ventilation is provided during the installation and for 48-72 hours thereafter. This will help eliminate odors often present during the installation process.

During the installation you will need to keep hallways, stairs and aisles clear of debris or furniture to permit installers easy access to their work areas.

For more information, write for a free publication from the Carpet and Rug Institute, P.O. Box 2048, Dalton, GA 30722, or call 404-278-3176.

Duplicate Bridge

The Duplicate Bridge Club met September 10th with 5 tables playing the Mitchell Movement. In the North-South direction, Ben Pingenot and Norma Gould won first with Ann Hibler and Betty Inman winning second. In East-West, Tina Bauguess and Anita Korbel won first with Gene Britton

and Trudy Harber a close second.

On September 14, four tables played the Howell Movement with Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford winning first. Two pairs tied for second Betty Inman and Dena Scott tied with Rozetta Pingenot and Tina Bauguess.

THE PERCENTAGE PLAY

South dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 5
♥ J 10 7 4
♦ K 10 7 4
♣ J 10 5 3

WEST

♠ J 10 9 3
♥ 8 6 2
♦ 5 3 2
♣ 8 6 2

EAST

♠ 8 7 6 2
♥ A 5 3
♦ A J 9
♣ A 9 4

SOUTH

♠ A K Q 4
♥ K Q 9
♦ Q 8 6
♣ K Q 7

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 NT

Opening lead — Jack of spades.

Bridge is a game of probabilities. You make a certain bid because you think it will probably turn out better than any other bid. If your judgment in gauging probabilities is good, you will do well, since you cannot have a better ally than the law of probabilities.

Consider this deal where you're in six spades and West leads a club. Of course, West may have the king, in which case it would be right to

finesse, but your judgment should tell you that it is better not to finesse.

At best, you have a 50 percent chance of winning the finesse, while if you go up with the ace you have a far better chance of escaping a club loser by playing three rounds of diamonds, planning to discard a club on the third diamond. The probability of the diamonds dividing 4-3 is 62 percent.

But when you take the ace of clubs and lead the A-K-Q of diamonds, East ruffs low and you are forced to overruff, this is a setback, but you still have plenty of ammunition. You enter dummy with a heart and lead a fourth diamond, hoping that East will either be out of trumps or will be forced to ruff with the ace. Unfortunately, East ruffs low again and once more, you overruff.

Now, to show your versatility, you switch to a different plan of attack. You play the K-Q-J of hearts, hoping to find that suit divided 4-4, in which case you can avoid a club loser by discarding three clubs from dummy.

The hearts turn out to be divided 5-3, but your staying power puts you on top because East can do no better than ruff the fourth heart with the ace of trumps—and by this time your club loser has flown the coop.

Next Week: A perpetual holdup.

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Welcome Baby!

Joyce and Ruben Fuentes are proud grandparents of a new baby boy.

His name is Justin Lamar Shamblin. He was born on August 26, 1991 and weighed 8 pounds and 7 ounces.

Justin's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Denman Shamblin of Baytown, Texas.

His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Milton Holly of Oklahoma. His other paternal grandparent is Mr. C. L. Shamb-

lin, Jr. of Baytown, Texas.

Great grandparents of Justin are the late Lee Denman Sowell, Mrs. Lee Denman Sowell, the late Ruth Sowell Strickler, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Shamblin, Sr.



Happy Birthday to Tiger #54 who will be 17 years old September 20th, 1991
Love Mom and Angelica



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PIONEER STEEL BUILDINGS Fall Special 30X40X10 ... \$4,250; 30X50X12 ... \$5,295; 30X75X12 ... \$6,250; 40X75X12 ... \$8,695; 50X100X14 ... \$13,175; 80X100X14 ... \$19,995. ALL SIZES. Mini-Storages. Financing available. 1-800-637-5414.

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Las Moras Masonic Lodge

Cordially invites you to its open House September 22
2 to 5 P. M.

Located upstairs of the Historical old Court House
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WHAT MASONRY Is:

*It is a voluntary association of men.
It is a system of moral conduct.
It is a way of life.
It is a fraternal society.
It is religious in its character.
It teaches the Golden Rule.
It seeks to make good men better men.
It teaches morality through symbolism.
It uses rites and ceremonies to instruct its members.
It is based on a firm belief in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, and the Immortality of the Soul.*

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It dictates to no man as to his beliefs, either religious or secular.
It seeks no advantages for its members through business or politics.
It is not a forum for discussion of religion, politics or other partisan affairs.
It is not a secret society, as it does not conceal its existence or purposes.*

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444, A.F. & A.M. and its members are an integral part of the city of Brackettville, Texas and
WHEREAS, Masonry is a worldwide fraternity of friends and brothers, and
WHEREAS, Masonry promulgates Reverence for God, Fairness and Honesty, Love of Freedom and Love of Country, and seeks only to make good men better, and
WHEREAS, Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444 will open its doors for the observance of a Masonic Awareness Open House for the public, and
WHEREAS, Fred E. Allen, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas has called for this Special Observance of this occasion by families, neighbors and friends of the Masonic Family.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diane Bravo, Mayor Protem of the City of Brackettville, Texas in the County of Kinney and on behalf of the Brackettville City Council, do hereby proclaim September 22, 1991, as Masonic Awareness Day in the City of Brackettville, Texas.

s/s Diane G. Bravo, Mayor Protem

Call the Kinney Cavalryman for your classified. 563-2991

Watercolor Workshop

The Del Rio Council for the Arts will feature a workshop presented by watercolorist, Evelyn Hunter, September 23-25, 1991, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Firehouse, 120 E. Garfield, Del Rio. This three-day workshop will teach basic watercolor skills and will include a demonstration on the Rice Paper technique. A supply list is available at the Firehouse.

Ms. Hunter teaches both oil and watercolor workshops. She has studied extensively with many nationally known artists, including

Lee K. Parkinson, Finis Collins, George Pinca, Charles Reid, Robert Wood, Ed Whitney, Frank Webb, Clay McGaughy and Judy Gard. While in Vietnam and Saudi Arabia, she studied Chinese Brush Painting. She has received numerous awards for her work throughout Texas, and her paintings hang in many distinguished offices and homes. Examples of her work can be seen at the Firehouse. Call 775-0888 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. before September 20 for more details and/or to register.

County and City

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Comp. raises for the employees and police revenue. After Alder-

man Gonzalez finished going over the budget with the Council he made a motion to accept the budget and Alderman Terrazas seconded the motion. The budget was passed and approved. The meeting then adjourned.



Meeting Notice

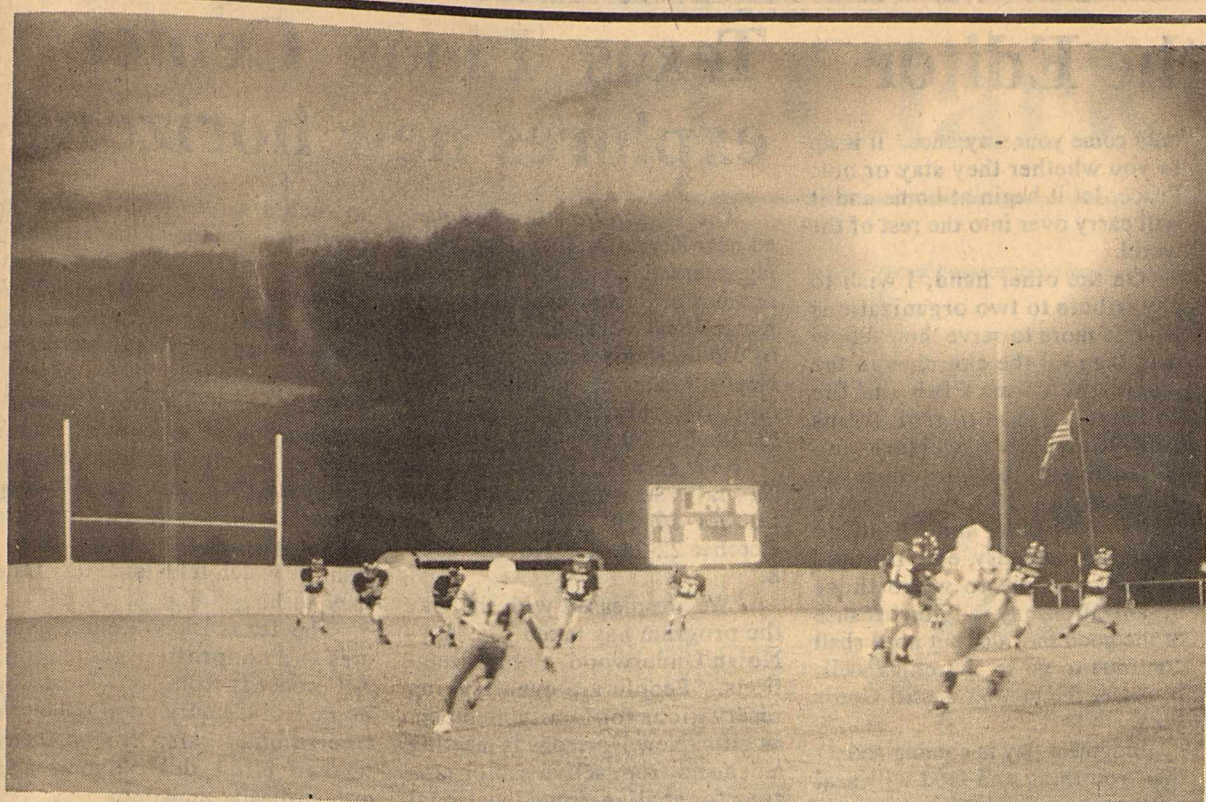
4-H rabbit project meeting Wednesday, September 25th, 1991 at 4:15 p. m. at Room 6 (Mrs. Meek) Jones Elementary.

Veterans Post

by Freddy Groves

MAIL CALL: First, let me acknowledge the July 22 letter from Herbert K. in New Jersey and explain that I only got hold of it this week, so I couldn't refer to it sooner. I understand you, buddy. I really do. I talked to some people I know who are pretty much in the same boat, and they say the only thing to do is keep pushing your case. Get someone from a local vets organization to act as your advocate. Sometimes someone else can make your case for you when you can't. Keep me posted. I want to know how you're doing. Also, without going into specifics, I want to tell you from personal experience, never to give up. Sometimes what's not being allowed today is allowed tomorrow, and you have to be ready to take advantage of the change when it happens.

To Burt: That insurance company you cite may promise veterans (its major market target) more than it can deliver. You could be in for a big disappointment and a large financial loss dealing with a firm that offers policies that seem too good to be true. Check them out with your state's insurance regulatory agency. ©1991 by King Features Synd.



Tigers fought a good game last Friday against the Cowboys. Pictured above are our Tigers giving the Cowboys a run for their money. Cowboys are from D'Hanis, Texas.

The Cowboys ride into town!

Cavalryman Sports Writer

The D'Hanis Cowboys rode into town with their "gunslinger", Ryan Rothe to beat the Tigers 28-8. Rothe was the nucleus of their offense as he passed for 85 yards and rushed for 95 yards. Altogether the Cowboys had 261 yards, total offense.

The Tiger's numbers were about the same with 166 yards rushing and 75 yards passing from QB Adrian Pena, for a total of 241 yards offense.

The Tigers only score came late in the second quarter. The drive started when Pena connected with Tevin Senne on a 42 yard reception, putting the Tigers on the Cowboy 20 yard line. Runs from Angel Jaso, Pena and Michael Flores put the Tigers on the 1 yard line. Flores then bulldozed his way in for the score. On the conversion, Pena faked to the

runningbacks and ran it in himself, to make the score 8-14, in favor of the Cowboys.

On D'Hanis' next drive, they fought their way to the Tiger 15, when linebacker, Michael Flores intercepted the pass from Rothe. With a minute to go Pena dropped back to throw it deep when the D'Hanis defense penetrated to knock the ball loose. The Cowboys recovered it and two plays later Rothe connected with a receiver for the touchdown. The points failed as D'Hanis went into halftime with a 20-8 lead.

The defense started to come together in the second half but by then it was too late for the Tigers. D'Hanis managed to score again in the fourth quarter and would go on to win 28-8.

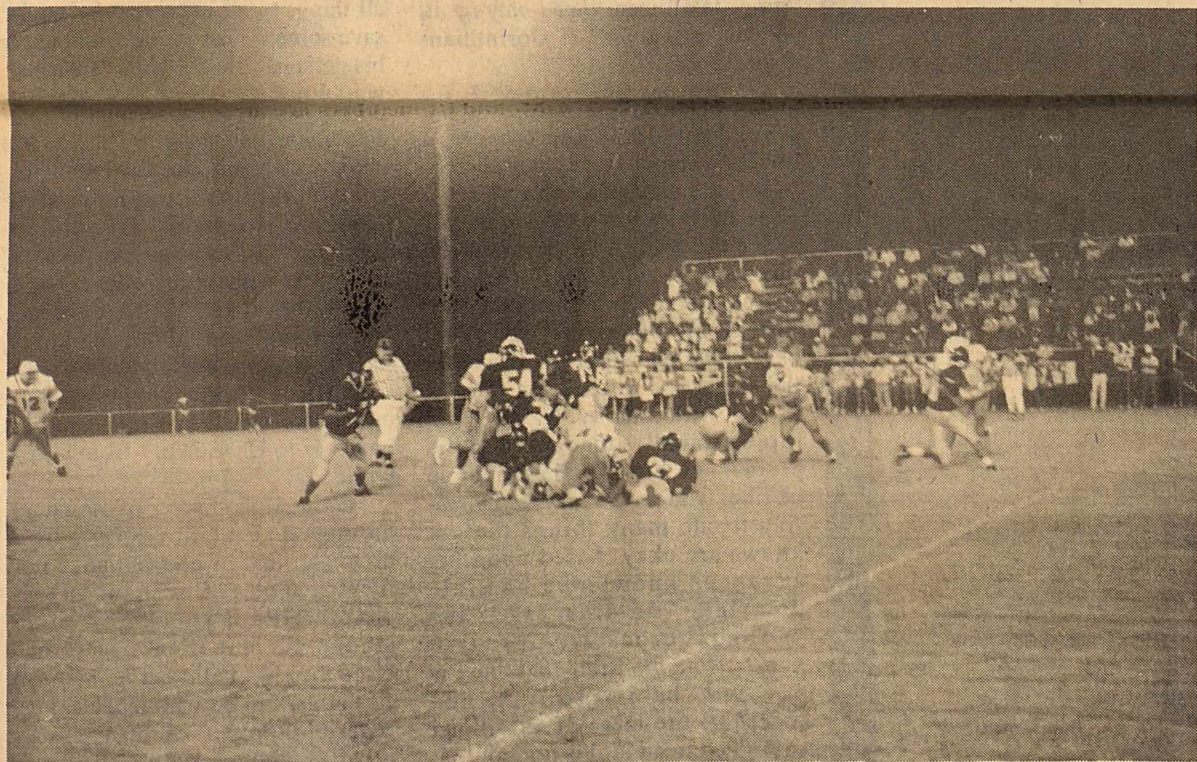
Michael Flores had a great night on offense and defense. Mike rushed for 67 yards on 15 carries, and for the second week in a row lead the team in tackles

with 13 and one interception on defense.

Pena completed 2 out of 7 passes for 75 yards, with one interception. He also rushed for 41 yards on 7 carries. Other contributors on offense were Juan Dominguez who rushed for 29 yards and Lesly Floyd and Angel Jaso who both rushed for 14 yards.

On defense, Scott Sims was second under Flores with 11 tackles, J.J. Sandoval & David Seargeant had 6, Pena, Luis Gonzalez and Lynn Floyd each had 5 tackles.

Even though the score didn't show it, the Brackett Tigers improved in many areas. Coach Gregg Nowlin is ready to see those improvements when they face Nueces Canyon. "Nueces is a big rivalry with Brackett," Nowlin stated, "it's always a tough match up." The Tigers look to win their first victory in Nueces Canyon, Friday, September 20 at 8:00 p.m.



The Tigers, pictured above are scrambling for the ball in their struggle against the D'Hanis Cowboys. Tigers lost to the Cowboys 28 - 8.



Adrian Pena faked a pass and went in for a 2 point conversion after a touchdown by Michael Flores, which gave the Tigers 8 points. Pictured above are the Tigers just after scoring.

Air horns nuisance at games

Brackett ISD Trustees expressed concern in a special meeting on Monday, September 16, 1991 about the number of complaints they have received about the use of airhorns at football games. They stopped short of adopting a policy that would ban the noise makers. Instead, they

instructed the Superintendent to place an ad in the newspapers appealing to courtesy and consideration in the use of the noise makers.

Complaints stem from those sitting directly in front of and to either side of anyone using an airhorn. An unexpected blast

from behind or near the ear can be both startling and painful. The Trustees ask that those in possession of the airhorns or other loud noisemakers respect the rights of other fans by using the noisemakers selectively and directing them in the air rather than toward other fans.

Tigerettes defeat LaPryor 15 - 13

By Lynn Floyd
Cavalryman Sports Writer

The fighting Tigerettes faced the Lady Bulldogs, from La Pryor in the first round of the Eagle Pass Volleyball Tournament Saturday. La Pryor is picked to win the 29 AA district but after the Tigerettes demolished them it may be our very own Tigerettes.

In the first game of the match the Tigerettes looked a little shaky as they fell behind 10-4. Coach Coggins then took a time out to regroup her ladies. Whatever was said in the huddle lit a spark in Brackett's play. They came back and scored five straight points against an aggressive group

from La Pryor. Once the Tigerettes took the lead there was no turning back as they won 15-13.

Kim Ahrens and Wendy McDaniel lead the team in the first game with 5 points apiece. Theresa Terrazas and Valerie Talamantez both scored 2 while Rene Diaz added 1.

In game two of their first match the high spirited Tigerettes came out firing as they quickly built a 10-2 lead. It was all over for the Lady Bulldogs from the beginning as Brackett won the game 15-6.

Theresa Terrazas was leading scorer this time with 5, Ahrens had 4, Diaz and McDaniel had 2, with Jenifer Shahan and Valerie Talamantez both adding a point.

The second round of the tour-

namment was going to be a tough one as Brackett had to take on Dilley. Last Tuesday the Tigerettes beat the Lady Wolves in their district opener. This time the Tigerettes fell to Dilley and would go on to lose to the Eagle Pass J.V. for third place.

Even though the Tigerettes didn't place in the tournament they looked very impressive in the spanking they gave La Pryor.

Coach Coggins got some much needed help off the bench from Tanya Frerich, Amanda Davis, Michelle Brandt, and Jessica Tayler. The Tigerettes have improved every week with their leadership, confidence and team work. Coggins and her ladies have taken another big step toward that long road to the district crown.

Tigerettes Varsity loses, Junior Varsity wins

The Varsity Tigerettes evened up their record to 1-1 in district play losing to San Antonio Lackland, Tuesday. The Tigerettes just couldn't get the teamwork together and let mental errors get in the way of their play. Although losing the first game 15-6, Brackett came back to win 15-8 in the second, only to fall 15-8 in the third game, for the match. "It was a game we definitely should have won," Jenifer Shahan commented, "we

didn't want it bad enough and we weren't ready to play."

The Tigerettes play the Natalia, Lady Mustangs, Tuesday the 24th, here at home.

So far, the district standings show that it is going to be an even race. Natalia and Lackland are both 2-0, Dilley and Brackett are 1-1, La Pryor and Asherton are 0-1 and Lytle concludes with a 0-2 record.

The J.V. Tigerettes won their match in two games with a 15-3 blowout in the first game and a 15-13 victory in the second.

Coach Coggins was impressed with Yvette Rocha and Ada Fletchers leadership on the court. They got the team motivated from the start and from then on they couldn't be stopped. They face the Natalia J.V., Tuesday the 24th of September at home.



The Brackett Tiger Football Team is pictured above being recognized and encouraged at the pep rally held Friday afternoon. Much support from the students, parents, Teachers, BHS Band and the Cheerleaders was shown.

Cubettes travel to Eagle Pass

By Lynn Floyd
Cavalryman Sports Writer

The 7th and 8th grade Volleyball teams traveled to Eagle Pass, Monday. Even though both teams lost, they gave their 5-A opponents a run for their money.

The 7th grade lost 15-9, 15-7. Scoring for the Cubettes were: Amy Bader, Lindy Lamascus, Zandra Negrete, Courtney Harrison and Viviana Rosales.

The 8th grade Cubettes won the first game of their match 15-11. Debra Frerich was high scorer with 6 points, Isabel Aguirre had 5, Samantha Luna contributed 2, while Denice Frerich added a point.

The second game went back and forth until Eagle Pass pulled it out at the end, winning 15-13. Again Debra Frerich lead in scoring with 4 points. Donda Avila, Deborah Virrealle, Denice

Frerich and Samantha Luna all had 2 points. Casey Tipps scored 1 point.

In the final game, the Lady Eagles went on a roll to win easily 15-7. Coach David Burton couldn't have been happier with both teams. The 7th and 8th graders played excellent against the bigger school.

The Cubettes return to Eagle Pass, Saturday for their annual Junior High tournament. Good luck Cubettes!



The Brackett Band in their new outstanding and goodlooking shirts, and the Cheerleaders in their neat uniforms were in full force at the Pep Rally Friday afternoon to give their support to the Brackett Tigers.

No eggs requested

September 23, 1991 is Home Coming week for Brackett High. BISD requests that all local stores

DO NOT sell eggs to any children without written consent of the parents.

Notice

Little League will hold a General meeting Saturday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. in the District Court Room, Kinney County, Brackettville, Texas. All interested parties please attend.



Library News

As most of you are aware, our County Commissioners have requested that the Library change its hours beginning October 1, 1991 so that we might better serve the working portion of the population of Kinney County. The new hours will be: Tuesday through Friday, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm, Saturday, 9:00 am 5:00 pm, and Closed Monday.

While we are changing hours, they also request that we document all visitors and services by having them register with date and time of their visits. We hope that the new hours and registration procedures provide us an opportunity to serve persons who before now were unable to use our library and further, that it does not create any difficulties for our regular patrons. We do wish to apologize to the Civic Groups who have and/or were planning to meet in the Library on Monday mornings.

The library lost a loyal friend this past week with the passing of Mr. Dennis Martin. Mr. Martin had no family but supported the Library by generously donating Classic videos to assist us in developing our video library. A memorial fund for the purchase of books in the name of Mr. Martin has been established at the library. Further, Friends of Mr. Ben

Nelson have also created a memorial fund for the purchase of books in his memory. We have had books donated by: Jane Heninger, Janice Floyd and Dorthea Clements.

Ms. Earlene Thurber purchased the book: Horse Facts: 50 Breeds and donated it to the library in memory of "Blue".

This writer must take full responsibility for an error in this column week before last. She mentioned that the gentlemen of the county were settling down to watch "Friday night football". She has been properly chastised and wishes her readers to know that she now knows it is Monday night football.

We have just received several new Large Print westerns, adventure and mysteries. Good Books you may have missed: Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton, the author of Andromeda Strain; Maximum Bob by Elmore Leonard author of Get Shorty and Killshot; and Mamists by Len Deighton, author of Spy Hook, Spy Line, and Spy Sinker.

As always, we wish to invite you to visit the coolest, friendliest, little library in Kinney County.

Kinney County Public Library staff and volunteers

Letter to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

I ask myself, who is winning the race in our world - Evil or Good! From all the news media we are constantly reminded of corruption in the Federal, State, County and City Governments. The same is true with our churches, for example, Baker, Swaggart, Gorman, Roberts, etc.

We all know that sin began with Adam and Eve. When Jesus died for ALL our sins, we, as church people, were admonished to "sin no more". If all the church people would repent and follow in Jesus footsteps, I am sure that our world would change for the good, all the way from the smallest town to Washington, D.C. No, it doesn't happen that way. When new christian people get involved in trying to make the church a better place, church-going sinners get scared and even go so far as to use their children to put up a barrier in God's work. Could it be they are afraid of losing control or getting caught with questions they don't want to answer. It is now time for church people to put aside their selfish, petty, ways and strive to promote Gods work. It is possible the problem is not the new people. As a rule new people

only come your way once. It is up to you whether they stay or not. Peace, let it begin at home and it will carry over into the rest of the world.

On the other hand, I wish to pay tribute to two organizations who do more to serve their fellow man than all the churches in the world-the Lions Club and the Gideons. These organizations contribute more welfare and christianity to the world than any other group I know. I am a member of both and I find no bickering, jealousy, etc. It would be easy for me to make these organizations my religion because of the good they do, but no, I shall continue to go to church as well, because, the church is still God's Plan.

Judgment day is coming sooner than you think and God will deal with each individual in His own time and way. Until then, lets all pray for peace on earth and goodwill towards all. In the end God will rule.

Sincerely,
Harold W. Miller
P. O. Box 699
Brackettville, TX 78832
(512) 563-9507

A medical building once billed itself as a Mental Health Prevention Center.

Texas Lions Center explores new horizons

The Texas Lions Center, located near Kerrville, Texas, is accepting reservations for the Fall 1991 sessions of its new educational and recreational retreat for anyone 55 or older. Registration forms for New Horizons in the Hill Country may be obtained by calling (512)896-8500.

Four sessions will be offered this fall. Session dates are September 17-20, October 8-11, October 22-25, and November 5-8.

"We are pleased with the way the program has taken off," says Nolan Underwood, Public Relations. "People are even making reservations for family members as gifts. New Horizons is meeting a demand from active senior citizens for challenging educational and recreational activities. It is a great opportunity for them to make new friends".

Instructors who are experts in their field will provide information

in such areas as health care and insurance, financial management, Medicare and Medicaid, genealogy, frontier times, wildlife of the Hill Country, stress management, video photography, arts and crafts, and other activities.

Many opportunities are available for relaxation as well. Games such as dominoes, horseshoes, pingpong, "42" and tennis will be offered at all times. Participants may walk along the nature trail, fish, or watch television any time they wish.

The Texas Lions Center operates as a nonprofit organization. All proceeds from New Horizons in the Hill Country go to operate a free summer camp for children who are blind, deaf, diabetic, or orthopedically impaired.

For more information contact Kyle Terry, New Horizons Coordinator, Texas Lions Center, P.O. Box 247, Kerrville, TX 78029-0247, (512)896-8500.

Word Studies - Sin Versus Taboos, Part III

By Ken Curry
Cavalryman columnist

"For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, *that I might win the more*. And to the Jews I became as a Jew, *that I might win the Jews*; to those who are under the Law, as under the Law, though not being myself under the Law, *that I might win those who are under the Law*; to those who are without the law, as without law, though not being without the law of God but under the law of Christ, *that I might win those who are without law*. To the weak I became weak, *that I might win the weak*; I have become all things to all men, *that I may by all means save some*" (I Corinthians 9:19-22).

As we saw in Parts I & II, the Christians in Corinth were having a problem in their church over a taboo, whether it was a sin or not to eat the meat of an animal sacrificed to an idol in a pagan temple. Since the Bible was silent on the question, it fell into the area of taboos; some Christians thought it was wrong, others thought it was okay. The Apostle Paul answered their question in chapters 8 & 10 of I Corinthians by giving them three principles that apply to the problem of taboos. The principle of liberty allows a mature Christian to do many things that he knows are okay based upon his advanced knowledge of Bible doctrine. In this case, the "strong," or mature Christian knows from the Bible that there is no "god" behind an idol, and therefore the meat of an animal sacrificed to an idol is not tainted. But the principle of liberty is tempered by the principle of love for a "weak," or immature Christian who doesn't know a lot of Bible doctrine and therefore thinks it is a sin to eat meat from an animal sacrificed to an idol, because since the weak Christian believes it to be a sin, for him it does become a sin. The "strong" are to refrain from putting a stumbling block in front of the "weak," because the issue for the weak is not *things*, but rather becoming spiritually mature through a maximum intake of Bible doctrine. The principle of liberty is further tempered by the principle of expediency for the unbeliever. We are not to let false issues like taboos blind the unbeliever to the Gospel! The *sole issue* for an unbeliever is, "believe in the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved..." (Acts 16:31).

In chapter 9 of I Corinthians, Paul introduces a fourth principle of supreme sacrifice that applies to Christians in a leadership position within the church, leaders such as evangelists, pastors, preachers, etc. Using the example of himself as an apostle, Paul begins chapter 9 with a series of hypothetical questions regarding his liberty as a

Christian. He asks, don't I have a right to eat and drink (as other mature Christians); don't I have a right to have a wife like the other apostle; don't I have a right not to work like the other apostles? And the answer to all these questions is yes. But Paul explains his reasons for not doing any of these normal things in verses 19 through 22 that I have quoted above. Paul says that he adjusted his life to all men so that he might have the maximum influence to win them to the Lord! When he was with the Jews, he acted like a Jew so that he could win some. When he was with the Gentiles, he became like a Gentile so that he could win some of them to the Lord. In other words, Paul as an apostle became all things to all men, that he might save some. That is, he maintained his personal life so that false issues would not intrude upon his giving the gospel to the unsaved and Bible doctrine to the saved. Therefore, under this principle, Christians in a leadership position must also keep their personal life above reproach so that they can have a maximum witness to believers and unbelievers alike. We have recently seen and read about the scandals involving certain television evangelists who forgot these principles and whose actions brought mockery to Christianity from a lost world.

In the 14th chapter of Romans, the Apostle Paul introduces a fifth principle, that of one Christian not judging another Christian. In this chapter, Paul speaks of some taboos current then in Rome; "One man has faith that he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats vegetables only...One man regards one day above another, another regards every day alike. Let each man be fully convinced in his own mind" (Romans 14:2,5). The believers in Rome also had a problem with meat sacrificed to idols, and some were apparently concerned with "holy" days. In addition to the sabbaths, under the Mosaic Law there were also several holy days and holy festivals that were to be celebrated during the year. There are no "holy" days ordered in the New Testament, but some immature believers had a hard time making this transition. Therefore, Paul says in verses, 1, 3, 4, 10, and 13, don't be judging your fellow Christian! Verse 4 gives the reason why we are not to judge other Christians: "Who are you to judge the servant of another? To his own master he stands or falls; and stand he will, for the Lord is able to make him stand." The idea is that Christianity is a personal relationship between an individual believer and the Lord, and the believer is a servant to the Lord. If a believer needs to be strengthened, or disciplined, it is his Lord who will do it, not another servant.

We will discuss this problem further next week in Part IV.



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By Alan L. McWilliams
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Salmonellosis Food Poisoning: Earlier this summer, an outbreak of salmonellosis food poisoning occurred in the Mid-West and the Northeast. Minnesota health officials were quick to speculate that melons purchased from South Texas were the source of the outbreak. The claims were made based on epidemiological interviews with affected persons. There were no melon samples left to confirm them as the source of contamination. It has been reported that over 400 people in 23 states and Canada, became ill after eating cut cantaloupe. (As reported in The Packer, August 24, 1991.)

This occurrence of salmonellosis is not a new problem. Salmonella is a common occurring bacteria on the surface of most unwashed fruits and vegetables. As a matter of standard procedure, most melon packing houses brush wash cantaloupe and follow this with another wash using chlorinated water prior to packing. This procedure helps remove field heat from the fruit and kills most surface pathogens that can cause fruit breakdown in storage and transit. Salmonella is one of the pathogens reduced by this procedure. Surface recontamination of melons can occur at several points during the normal food distribution cycle. As a result, by the time that most melons reach the home, a low level of Salmonella may be present on the fruit surface. The edible flesh can then become contaminated by the knife used to cut the fruit.

consumed almost immediately after cutting and/or refrigerated for use at a later time. The low levels of bacteria that may be present were normally insufficient to cause illness. Refrigeration slows down bacteria growth and prevents it from reaching a level that can cause illness. However, the proliferation of fresh fruit on salad bars and in many food service operations including supermarkets is changing consumption patterns of many foods as well as cantaloupes.

In many instances, the fruit are cut or prepared many hours prior to actual consumption. With the case of salad and fruit bars, the cut melons are left out for consumers to eat at their leisure. Often times, the temperature of the fruit bar is insufficient to retard bacterial growth. As a result, the levels can build and illness can occur.

Most of the cantaloupe/salmonella illness reported have been traced to situations described above. Home consumers of fresh cantaloupes have little to worry about. Especially if common sense prevails and the fruit is gently brush washed prior to preparation for eating. This should be done prior to treating any fresh produce item.

As it is with most situations involving our food, the farmers and shippers are paying the price. Media hype has resulted in current sales decline of 30-50%, (The Packer, August 24, 1991), although the incidence occurred earlier this summer. Changing life style and food consumption patterns are the real culprits, not cantaloupes or cantaloupe producers.

Thanks Folks!

The Brackettville PTO would like to thank everyone for their participation in our Fundraiser held in August.

Every parent and teacher wishing to participate in P.T.O. is invited to attend our monthly meetings. Our next meeting will be held Sept. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at 563-2204.

the High School auditorium.

Our next fundraiser is a "Garage Sale." It will be held Sept. 28th, all day at the old R.E.A. building. Anyone wishing to donate for the "Garage Sale", please contact Regina Haynie at 563-2204.

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Reflections

By Rev. Preston Taylor
First Baptist Church

As one walks along the banks of Las Moras creek, this one may sometimes see a turtle.

The turtle perches himself (or herself) on a fallen tree, or he drags his body beside the creek bank. At other times he swims in the water.

In order to move about, the turtle has to "stick out his neck." As long as that ugly creature keeps his head and legs inside his shell, he doesn't move.

We also have to venture out of our shells and stick out our necks if we want to make progress.

Christopher Columbus stuck his neck out and risked his life as he and his 42 sailors climbed aboard three small sea-vessels.

The travels of the astronauts involve risk-taking. Not many among us want to volunteer for a space flight of five or six days, do we?

Young people in school need to stick out their necks. That is, they must dare to study hard, live pure lives, dream big dreams, and be law-abiding and nation-building citizens. The student has to "stick out his neck" if he wants to be different and worthwhile among a sea of students who oftentimes drift along.

Some daring Christians stick out their necks for the cause of Jesus. They witness, attend Church, give joyfully and even sacrificially, teach, pray, and give themselves to the Lord as his instruments of service in a dying, sinful world.

In one of Paul's letters, he wrote of Epaphroditus (what a name!) who "risked his neck for the gospel" (Philippians 2:30). Are you and I ready for such a venture?

Tax rate set by Brackett
ISD Board Monday night

The Brackett ISD Board of Trustees set a tax rate of twenty-nine and three-fourths cents (\$0.2975) in a special meeting on Monday, September 16, 1991. The rate is divided into a Maintenance and Operations rate of seven and three-fourths cents (\$0.0775) and a debt service rate of twenty-two cents (\$0.22). This rate and the rate set by the County Education District in Ft. Stockton two weeks ago (\$0.7425) will make a combined rate of one dollar and four cents (\$1.04). This rate is the same as last year's rate set by Brackett ISD.

Although the rate is the same, residents of the District that have resident homesteads will see their taxes reduced substantially. Those with resident homesteads who are over sixty-five years of age will benefit even more. The savings

comes from a combination of exemptions applied to the CED tax roll that was voted in the August 10, 1991 special election.

The following charts illustrate the school tax savings for resident homesteads. Bob McCall, Superintendent, told the Trustees that while the homeowner benefits from the exemptions, there is no protection for the small business in the community. Farmers and ranchers benefit from an agricultural exemption on their land and equipment. Homeowners qualify for resident homestead exemptions of varying amounts, but a small business such as Kinney County Wool and Mohair, or B & S Grocery gets no exemption.

Most resident homeowners will pay significantly less school taxes in 1991-92.

Signs of the Times

By Robert White

By Bonnie White

The Pharisees also with the sarducees came and tempting desired him (Jesus) that he would show them a sign from heaven. He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, it will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, it will be foul weather today: For the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? Matt. 16:1-3

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ is coming soon to redeem his church.

But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came. And took them all away; so shall

also the coming of the son of man be. Then shall Two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill the one shall be taken, and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. Matt. 24:43.44

Beloved this is what is called The Rapture, when the trumpet sounds you better have your map trimmed and your house in order. Just as the days of Noah when the door to the ark was shut, the Rapture will take place and the door will be shut and no more will enter in after. The pending judgment then, no man will be able to bear. Man's one responsibility in life is to make the necessary arrangements for his precious soul to be safe and happy in eternity. Nothing Else - nothing else is so important as this!

Jesus said you must be born again. John 3:3 Now is the time to repent and turn from your old ways. That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Romans 10:9

Beloved there is only one way to salvation and that's thru Jesus. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man, Christ Jesus 1 Timothy 2:5

In Christ's Service, Lee Canty
for Robert and Bonnie White

WICAT
computer lab

The Brackett ISD is using its new WICAT computer lab to prepare students in 3rd, 5th and 7th grades for the October Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS). The state mandated test is used to grade the effectiveness of each school district in the state. Students in the three grades will be able to practice the skills required to do well on the TAAS using the latest technology.

The WICAT Lab consists of sixteen computer stations networked with a larger computer called a file server. The WICAT system allows each student to work on individual skills. Students will spend a minimum of 100 minutes per week in the lab and they will be accompanied by the appropriate teacher.

After the TAAS test is completed the lab will be scheduled to accommodate students at all grade levels so that they will be able to develop computer literacy and keyboarding skills.

Rotary Clubs

A Group Study Exchange has been awarded to Rotary Clubs in this area by the Rotary Foundation and four outstanding young business and professional men and/or women are sought to visit the Eastern part of India in 1992 under the Group Study Exchange program announced Eric McMaster, President to the Brackettville Rotary Club.

The Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange is a program that strives to improve international understanding by enabling young people from different countries to learn from each other. The awards involve exchanging teams of business and professional persons with at least 2 years experience in their present vocations and being 25-35 years of age for a four week visit to the Eastern part of India starting January 9, 1992. Participants cannot be Rotarians or close relatives of Rotarians. Expenses will be paid by the Rotary Foundation and the India Rotary Clubs.

Those interested in the program may obtain additional information and application blanks from Eric McMaster, 563-9452 or from any other Rotarian. Deadline for applications is October 1, 1991.



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PROPOSITION NO. 1
ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 114 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize home rule cities having a population of 5,000 or fewer inhabitants to amend their city charters by a majority vote of a city's qualified voters at an election held for that purpose. The amendment makes clear that home rule cities that have declined in population below the population required to initially adopt a charter may nevertheless continue to amend their charters.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing home-rule cities with a population of 5,000 or less to amend their charters by popular vote."

PROPOSITION NO. 2
ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to authorize the Texas Department of Transportation to expend money, from any source available, for the costs of the turnpikes, toll roads, or toll bridges of the Texas Turnpike Authority, provided that any monies expended from the state highway fund shall be repaid to the fund from tolls or other turnpike revenue.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment mandating the repayment to the Department of Transportation of monies expended to assist the Texas Turnpike Authority in the construction, maintenance, and operation of turnpikes, toll roads and toll bridges."

PROPOSITION NO. 3
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 26 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to invest, as authorized by law, moneys of the Veterans' Land Fund which are not immediately committed to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the Veterans' Land Board, the purchase of lands, or the payment of expenses. Investment of such moneys would no longer be restricted to investments in bonds or obligations of the United States. The proposed amendment would also authorize the Veterans' Land Board to invest, as authorized by law, moneys of the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund which are not immediately committed to the payment of principal and interest on general obligation bonds issued by the Veterans' Land Board for the benefit of the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, the making of home mortgage loans, or the payment of expenses. Investment of such moneys would no longer be restricted to investments in bonds or obligations of the United States. The proposed amendment gives the legislature power to implement the amendment and to delegate such duties and authority to the Veterans' Land Board as it deems necessary.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to further implement and enhance the administration of the veterans' housing assistance and land programs and to expand the investment authority of the Veterans' Land Board."

PROPOSITION NO. 4
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to authorize the issuance of a maximum of \$1.1 billion in general obligation bonds. The proceeds of the bonds are to be used to acquire, construct, or equip new prisons and substance abuse felony punishment facilities, mental health and mental retardation

institutions, and youth corrections institutions, to repair and renovate existing facilities of those institutions and to acquire, repair, or renovate other facilities for use as state prisons or substance abuse felony punishment facilities. The \$1.1 billion is in addition to the \$900 million currently authorized by the constitution to be expended on bond issues for facilities of correctional and mental health and mental retardation institutions. The bonds would constitute a general obligation of the state. The bonds and interest on the bonds would be paid from the first money coming into the state treasury that is not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, less any amount in a sinking fund at the end of the preceding fiscal year that is pledged to payment of the bonds or interest.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1.1 billion in general obligation bonds for acquiring, constructing, or equipping new prisons or other punishment facilities to confine criminals, mental health and mental retardation institutions, and youth corrections institutions, for major repair or renovation of existing facilities of those institutions, and for the acquisition of, major repair to, or renovation of other facilities for use as state prisons or other punishment facilities."

PROPOSITION NO. 5
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county, junior college district, or municipality to exempt tangible personal property from ad valorem taxation if: (1) the property is acquired or brought into the state in an enterprise zone to be forwarded outside the state, (2) the property is assembled, stored, repaired, maintained, manufactured, processed, or fabricated in the enterprise zone, (3) the property is transported outside the state not later than 175 days after being acquired or brought into an enterprise zone, and (4) the person who acquired or brought the property into an enterprise zone is a qualified business. A county, junior college district, or municipality may exempt such property by entering into a written agreement with a qualified business that states the duration of the exemption and the terms on which the exemption is granted. Any action to exempt property must be taken before April 1 of the first year in which the property would otherwise be taxed. The term "enterprise zone" means an area that (1) has been designated as such by a state agency responsible for economic development, and (2) has pervasive poverty, unemployment, and economic distress. The term "qualified business" means a business that meets the qualification established by general law, and requires that the qualified business is actively engaged in a new business in the enterprise zone or is expanding a business that is already active in the enterprise zone. An enterprise zone is created to foster economic development in an area of pervasive poverty and unemployment.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the exemption for ad valorem taxes of certain property in an enterprise zone."

PROPOSITION NO. 6
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment that would establish a Texas Ethics Commission with the powers and duties provided by law. The commission would consist of eight appointed members selected as follows: two members of different political parties appointed by the governor from a list of at least ten names submitted by the members of the house of representatives from each major political party; two

members of different political parties appointed by the governor from a list of at least ten names submitted by the members of the senate from each major political party; two members of different political parties appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives from a list of at least ten names submitted by the members of the house from each major political party; and two members of different political parties appointed by the lieutenant governor from a list of at least ten names submitted by the members of the senate from each major political party. A major political party is a political party required by law to hold a primary. With the exception of the initial appointees, commission members would serve for four-year terms. A member who has served for one term and any part of a second term would not be eligible for reappointment. The commission would be authorized to recommend the salary of the members of the legislature and may recommend that the salary of the speaker of the house of representatives and the lieutenant governor be set at an amount higher than that of other members. If the commission recommends a change in salary, the voters would be authorized to accept or reject the salary change at the next general election for state and county officers. If the voters approve the recommended salary, that salary would take effect January 1 of the next odd-numbered year. If the voters reject the recommended salary, no change in salary would occur. The commission would set the per diem of the members of the legislature and of the lieutenant governor. The per diem could be raised or lowered biennially as necessary to pay members' costs, but could not exceed the amount allowed as of January 1 that year as a federal income tax deduction for living expenses incurred in a legislative day in connection with a member's business as a legislator, disregarding any federal income tax exception for legislators residing near the Capitol. The commission would have other powers and duties provided by the commission's enabling act (Senate Bill 1, 72nd Legislature, Regular Session). The amendment would also provide that an increase in the emoluments of the office of Lieutenant Governor would not make a legislator ineligible to serve in the office of Lieutenant Governor.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas Ethics Commission and authorizing the commission to recommend the salary for members of the legislature and the lieutenant governor, subject to voter approval, and to set the per diem for those officials, subject to a limit."

PROPOSITION NO. 7
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the board of trustees of each statewide public retirement system to invest the funds of the system in such manner as the board considers prudent. The board would no longer be limited to investing the funds of the system in securities.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the board of trustees of a statewide public retirement system to invest the funds of the system in a manner that the board considers prudent."

PROPOSITION NO. 8
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would permit the legislature to create debt by or on behalf of the state if the legislature submitted the debt question to the voters of the state in the form of a proposition and a majority of those voting approved the proposition. The legislature may call the election, by joint resolution approved by at least two-thirds of the members of each house, during any regular session or during any special session if the subject of the proposition is included in the Governor's proclamation for that special session. A proposition must clearly describe the amount and purpose for which debt is to be created and must describe the source of payment for the debt. The amount of debt stated in the proposition may

not be exceeded and may not be renewed unless the right to exceed or renew is stated in the proposition. The legislature may enact laws necessary to implement the authority granted by a proposition. A law enacted in anticipation of the election on a proposition is valid if, by its terms, it is enacted subject to approval of the related proposition. State debt that is created following voter approval of a proposition and that is approved by the Attorney General is incontestable for any reason.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the voters of this state to consider state debt questions in the form of ballot propositions that must clearly describe the amounts, purposes, and sources of payment of the debt only after approval of the propositions by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature."

PROPOSITION NO. 9
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 11 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents for certain public free school fund land for which there is not a valid transfer of title from either the State or the Republic of Texas to a private party. A patent is a document of title issued by the state. On application to the School Land Board, a person is entitled to receive a patent if: (1) the land is surveyed public free school fund land, (2) the land was not patentable under the law before the adoption of this proposed amendment, (3) the person acquired the land without knowledge of the title defect out of the State of Texas or the Republic of Texas and held the land under color of title, the chain of which dates from at least January 1, 1941, (4) the person has a recorded deed on file in the county courthouse and, in conjunction with his predecessor in interest, has claimed the land for at least fifty years as of January 1, 1991, and (5) the person, in conjunction with his predecessor in interest, for at least 50 years has paid taxes on the land together with all interest and penalties associated with any delinquency. If the applicant is denied a patent, the applicant may file suit against the School Land Board in a district court in the county where the land is located within 60 days from the date of denial. The proposed amendment does not apply to land found by a court to be state-owned or to land on which the state has given a mineral lease that is in effect when a patent is sought. A patent under this proposed amendment for land within five miles of mineral production shall reserve minerals to the state in the manner provided by law for reservations of minerals in sales to claimants of unsurveyed school land within five miles of production. An application for a patent under this proposed amendment must be filed with the School Land Board before January 1, 1993.

This proposed constitutional amendment is similar to the version of article VII, section 4A, that was in effect between 1981 and 1990. The main difference is that under the earlier version the applicant for a patent to land had to have a chain of title that dated back to at least as early as January 1, 1982.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents for certain public free school fund land held in good faith under color of title for at least 50 years."

PROPOSITION NO. 10
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 15 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to pass general laws to exempt property owned by a nonprofit corporation organized to supply water or provide wastewater service from ad valorem taxation. A nonprofit corporation would be eligible for the exemption if its bylaws provide that

on dissolution, the assets remaining after the discharge of the corporation's indebtedness will be transferred to an entity providing water supply or wastewater service, or both, which is exempt from ad valorem taxation. The transferred assets must be property that is reasonably necessary for and used for water supply and wastewater services.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxes certain property of a nonprofit corporation that supplies water or provides wastewater service."

PROPOSITION NO. 11
ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to pass laws to authorize the State of Texas to operate lotteries and to enter into a contract with one or more legal entities that will operate lotteries on behalf of the State of Texas.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a state lottery."

PROPOSITION NO. 12
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 34 proposes a constitutional amendment that would increase the total amount of bonds that may be issued by the Texas Water Development Board to provide wholesale and retail water and wastewater facilities to economically distressed areas of the state. The proposed amendment increases the maximum principal amount of the bonds from 20 percent to 50 percent of the \$500 million amount authorized by article III, section 49-d-7, of the Texas Constitution. The proposed amendment would increase the maximum aggregate dollar amount of bonds that the Texas Water Development Board could issue from \$100 million to \$250 million.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to increase from 20 percent to 50 percent the percentage of Texas water development bonds previously authorized by Texas voters that may be issued for economically distressed areas."

PROPOSITION NO. 13
ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 2 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to pass general laws authorizing Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board or its successor to issue and sell up to \$300 million of general obligation bonds to finance education loans to students. The maximum net effective interest rate to be borne by the bonds would be set by law. The amendment would also authorize the legislature to provide for the investment of bond proceeds and to establish an interest and sinking fund to pay the bonds and provide for the investment of such fund. Bonds authorized under this amendment would be paid from the first money coming into the treasury in each fiscal year that is not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, less any amount in an interest and sinking fund established at the end of the preceding year that is pledged to the payment of the bonds or interests.

The proposed amendment will be described on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$300,000,000 to continue existing programs to provide educational loans to students, with repayments of student loans applied toward retirement of the bonds."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitucion que aparecen en la boleta el dia 5 de noviembre de 1991. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podra obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8888 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

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