

The Brackett News

"If a man had half as much hindsight, as he has insight, he would have twice as much foresight"

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Commissioners Regular Session

Commissioners Court met in Regular session Feb. 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Kinney County Court House. All members were present.

Some of the items on the agenda has to be tabled due to the absence of County Attorney Tully Shahan and County Auditor Betty Deason. Both officials were absent due to illness.

Below are the unofficial minutes of that meeting.

Judge Withdraws From Cases

Judge Tommy Seargeant at the request of Attorney Shahan withdrew from 4 cases stating, "I have a problem with some of these cases, Tully has asked me to excuse myself because of conflicting interests, I'm making \$36,000 a year off of one of these fellows." Commissioners accepted the withdrawal and Judge James Simmonds from Val Verde County was recommended to handle the cases.

Extension Agents

Commissioners gave words of praise to County Extension Agent Alan McWilliams for having a hand in the first time ever for Kinney Co. to win a Grand Champion award at the Stock Show and Rodeo in San Antonio.

Commissioners also considered the appointment of an Extension Agent - Home Economics. They asked McWilliams how he felt about this appointment, McWilliams stated that they were operating without one, an Economic Extension Agent could only benefit the community if hired.

Minimum Wage Increase

It was reported that the minimum wage increase of \$3.85 would go into effect April 1, 1990.

Sheriff demands Justice

Sheriff Norman Hooten was placed on the agenda by Judge Seargeant questioning the authorization of Joe Baily's use of the county radio channel.

Seargeant asked the Sheriff if he would want to discuss this matter in executive session. The Sheriff said he did not and that he did not care if the public heard what he had to say.

The Sheriff explained that he had already told the Judge that Bailey was legally authorized to use the radio and that this item did not belong on the agenda. The Sheriff questioned the motivation of the Judge in putting it on the agenda. Since he already had his answer. The Sheriff proceeded to read to the court a list of persons authorized the use of

the radio channel. He further explained that the border patrol had approached Bailey and in turn they approached the Sheriff asking for the needed authorization in efforts to catch illegal aliens in the area. It was also clarified that Bailey did not have a phone.

The Sheriff read the by-laws of radio use and showed that his dept. had complied.

The Sheriff then stated, "I'm going to be very candid with the commissioners court, I've been up here several times, to defend my actions, because of items placed on the agenda by Mr. Seargeant, most of those things shouldn't have been on the agenda in the first place. I think it's a vindictive, political and personal vendetta by Mr. Seargeant against me, it has no place in commissioners court and is a waste of Tax payers money."

Seargeant then asked if the Sheriff had any other ranchers on his list. The Sheriff said he did not.

The Sheriff then added that he was tired of coming to court on Mr. Seargeant whims and political vendetta, he asked the court to serve notice on Mr. Seargeant.

Seargeant stated that the Sheriff knew why he put it on the agenda, the Sheriff said that he did not.

The Sheriff listed the different times the Judge had attacked his credibility, and stated, "He's attacked the character and credibility of myself, and my associates, he's attacked, Chief Fritter, Chief Deputy Luna and Tax Assessor Collector, Smallwood, and I'm tired of it."

Judge Seargeant then stated, "You wrote a letter to the paper calling me a stumbling blundering, commissioners court," you have tried your attacks.

The Sheriff replied, he did not do it at Tax payers expense. The Sheriff stated there are laws against harassment.

Engineer Hired

Commissioners approved the hiring of Joe Hild to give estimates on 2 low-water crossing repairs on Tularosa Rd. and the Pinto Bridge on Standard Lane.

Stock Trailer repairs

Commissioners approved the repairs on the county extension's stock trailer commissioner Bizzell said that he thought they should repair it with new metal and not to just cover it over. This was passed.

Road repairs

Mayor La Gioia approached the commissioners asking for financial help in repairing the roads, commissioner Bizzell informed the Mayor that they could only help in the repairs of a city street that runs from one Hwy to another Hwy. La Gioia then asked for the use of the road grader. He said he had checked into the use of it several times but it was reportedly at one of the ranches.

Fire Dept. Circus request

Commissioners approved the use of the area behind the old jail for the fire dept. to put on a Circus in March.

Baseball in Brackettville

Sonny Harrison, a representative for the Little League teams, approached the Commissioners with an update on the needed repairs for the ball park. He stated that there were 5 items that needed attention, one was to correct the flooding problem in the park, others were, repairs on the stands because of rotting boards, dirt needs to be distributed evenly throughout the field, materials are needed to repair the electrical wiring in the concession stand and a first class sprinkler system.

Sonny informed the court that there would be 120 children participating in the sport this year. Commissioners honored Harrison's request and allowed \$2,500 towards the ball park development.

B.I.S.D. Baseball

Superintendent Bob McCall approached commissioners in hopes to encourage the county to participate in what he hopes will be a community project in fixing up the Kize Field for school hardball teams. McCall informed the court that students would be participating in U.I.L. Hardball competition this year.

The school is presently developing a practice field, McCall explained to commissioners that there was a limited amount of money available to the school for this endeavor because the practice field was on land not owned by the school.

What we need initially is some fill dirt and some sand, we hope to eventually add bleachers and lighting.

"I think that if people give young adults a place to play it could be a community involvement during the summer months", stated McCall.

Several Commissioners and citizens in the audience offered help for this endeavor.

onto their property. The city supplied the labor needed.

Radio Review

Councilman Brodrick asked that the city look into the purchase of radios for city employees so they may keep in contact with one another more easily. Several radio options were evaluated. No decision was made at this meeting, but Brodrick said he would look into other possibilities that would match funding available.

Landfill Update

It was reported that the sewer plant permit was up in July. The city is also working to correct 10 violations cited at the dump by Health Dept. officials. The city has until April to comply with the violations. Some of the violations are, tires need to be cut up, Sludge from septic tanks needs to be buried, meat from local grocery businesses needs to be separated from the regular garbage and buried.

Hands-on Program

Parents and other interested community members are invited to attend a program at Brackett I.S.D. Library (location) on Thursday, Mar. 1, from 5 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. (local time). This presentation, "Dealing With At-Risk Students: From Losers & Fakers to Movers & Shakers," will be broadcast live over TI-IN Network and will feature Mark Towers.

This program will present several "hands-on" strategies and classroom activities for teaching at-risk students. The objective of this presentation is to help educators create a more positive and productive school for

Mr. Joe York Jr. owner of the property the dump is on met with city council and stated that new guide lines must be established before he was ready to renew the lease with the city.

Mr. York stated, "We need an outline in writing, when we started the dump 12 years ago I didn't know but I heard about living by a dump, I've had to learn the hard way, since you stopped burning the stench out there is worse than ever. I don't want to be talked about as putting a stench place out there. I'm not opposed to leaving it out there but I want more policing out there. The road towards the dump is terrible and several nights driving home almost missing debris can be a little un-nerving. If one of the plastic bags blows out a cow can eat it and die."

The Mayor said they would work on enforcing stricter guidelines.

at-risk students and, in turn, lower the drop-out rate.

TI-IN Network is a satellite broadcasting network serving more than 950 school districts in 29 states. All of TI-IN's programs are live and interactive. Participants can call in on a special telephone and talk, not only to the presenter, but to other participants as well. The Network remains on the air year-round and offers a wide range of staff, teacher, student, and community programs. For more information, contact Ms Pauline Hilliard (local coordinator) at 563-2491 (phone number.)



Jenifer Shahan put Brackettville on the map at the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo by being the first person ever from Brackettville to win Grand Champion!

Kinney County 4-H members did an outstanding job exhibiting lambs in the 1990 San Antonio Junior Lamb Show. The show is billed as the largest junior lamb show in the world. This year there were 1,970 lambs entered in the show.

Jenifer Shahan had the Grand Champion Overall of the Show. Jenifer has the distinction of having her heavyweight finewool crossbred lamb being selected as the best lamb over all the other breeds entered. The lamb was bred by Hadley Wardlaw. The winning did not stop there. Justin Coates won both the middle weight and light heavy weight classes

in the finewool cross classes. Both lambs were bred by Hugh Coates. Justin also will be showing Angora Goats in the junior breeding show. Kinney County raised lambs placed well through all other classes as well. The county had 36 lambs in San Antonio and 15 lambs placed and are eligible to sell this coming Friday in the junior lamb auction sale.

Official placing for all Kinney County 4-H members include the following:

Finewool Division
Jenifer Shahan-17th place-Class 2
Stephanie Ahrens-10th place-Class 4
Crossbred Division
Jenifer Shahan-1st-Class 4 & Champ-

Jenifer

Shahan

Takes Top Honors

at San Antonio

Stockshow

ion Cross.
Justin Coates-1st-class 2
1st -Class 3
Stephanie Ahrens-3rd-Class 3
Kimberly Ahrens-4th-Class 1
Wil Shahan-7th-Class 1
Lacey Esser-19th-Class 1
Walt Esser-17th-Class 2, 6th-Class 4
Richard Esser-8th-Class 2
Medium Wool Division
Stephanie Ahrens-6th-Class 3
7th-Class 2
Kimberly Ahrens-10th-Class 1
Kinney County 4-H'ers will be participating in the Houston Livestock Show February 26-March 3 and the San Angelo Stock Show March 5-10.

"Harvey" To Premiere Tonight

Sometimes what we don't see can be just as interesting as those things in full view, and a lot more fun. "Harvey", a sparkling comedy in which the star never appears, has been entertaining audiences worldwide since it was first performed on Broadway in 1944. Residents of this area will have an opportunity to share the problems of Veta and Myrtle Mae Simmons as they contend with Veta's brother, Elwood P. Dowd, and his unusual companion. After a succession of hilarious escapades, the evening ends happily for everyone, including, I suppose, Harvey. If you ever see him, you can ask.

Members of the excellent cast are:

Cynthia Williams-Polley and her husband are stationed at Laughlin AFB. Her husband is an instructor pilot. She is the administrator of the undergraduate and graduate program with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University at Laughlin. She is a graduate of U.T., Austin with a BA in English and an MA in Literary Criticism. Her background is theatre includes a Shakespeare Fellowship with several Shakespearean plays, The Curious Savage, Annie Get your Gun, among others.

Harrell Floyd is well known to audiences in both Del Rio and Brackettville for his work in the historical drama "The Glory Road", "The Odd Couple", "Pajama Game" and others. He also played uncle Henry in the successful musical drama "Texas" for 7 years in Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

Molly Schroeder and her husband, Dick, have been residents of Fort Clark Springs for 15 years. Her many interests include golf, bridge and a love of nature. She previously was in the production of "The Queen Bee", directed by Mary Curcio.

Don Parks, retired postal inspector, and his wife, Pat, have been residents of Fort Clark Springs for 9 years. He has been active in community theater for 40 years and recently returned to college to obtain a BA in Communications at Sul Ross SU, Alpine, Texas. There he had roles in "Death of a Salesman", "Night of the Lone Star" and "The King and I".

Warren Outlaw retired to Fort Clark in 1983 and opened the Frontier Gun Shop in Brackettville. His is very active in the local theatre group, having performed in "The Glory Road", "The Odd Couple" and "Night of Jan. 16th".

Bob Barnett and his wife, Patti, a talented, professional artist, have lived at Fort Clark Springs for 4



Action Shot from the Sparkling Comedy "Harvey". Tickets are on

sale today!

years. Bob's first experiences in theatre were in "The Odd Couple" and "Night of January 16th". He enjoys golf and poker. Patti paints and golfs. She painted both of the pictures used in this play.

Betty Inman, a resident of Fort Clark Springs since 1983, was a professional director and has done work in theatre wherever she has been. Here at Fort Clark she has directed the youth theatre, Performed in "The Glory Road" and is a past president of the Old Quarry Society.

Carol Benfield from Walker, MN, has been a winter Texan of the Fort, since 1983. She is a retired hair dresser and this is her first experience at community theatre.

Sandy Green is a freshman at SWTJC in Uvalde, majoring in Journalism. She has been in "Ransom of Red Chief" and "Never Trust a City Slicker".

Cecilia Foster, a junior at Brackettville High School, has been in "Never Trust a City Slicker" and "Ransom of Red Chief". Her major interests are history, writing and theatre.

Scott Simms is a sophomore at Brackettville High School. He has performed in "Glori Mundi" and his group reached area qualification in U.I.L.

Lynn Floyd, son of Janice and Harrell Floyd, is a freshman at Brackettville High School. Floyd has been in several shows, melodramas and "Night of January 16th". As a child, Lynn was a cast member of the

musical drama "Texas" in Palo Duro Canyon.

Rozetta Pingenot is trying her hand at directing for the first time. She has performed in "The Queen Bee", "The Night of January 16th" and "The Glory Road". She and her husband, Ben, have lived at Fort Clark for 10 years. Her interests are theatre, bridge, reading and nature. She has been an active member of the Old Quarry Society Board for 10 years.

Louis and Betty Schlatterer come to us from Los Alamos, NM, where he was a master glass blower and his wife a registered nurse. For 25 years they have been acting, directing and are professional set designers, builders. This is their third year at Fort Clark Springs. Louis is the set designer for "Harvey". He was assisted by Dean Admas, Harrell Floyd, Warren Outlaw, Charles Descheemaker and wife Betty.

The people working to make "Harvey" a success are: Director, Harrell Floyd; Assistant Director, Rozetta Pingenot; Costumes, Dot Burrow; Programs, Jewel Robinson, Marie Sofaly; Sound Effects Prompter, Margaret Holt, Linda Sharp, Don Crowder; Tickets, Dorothy Haga, Betty Inman, Marge Love; Lights, Larry Sofaly, Lou Sofaly; Stage Manager, Greg Sharp; Stage Hands, Lesly Floyd, Luis Gonzalez, Albert Coronado; Artist, Patti Barnett; Flower Arrangements, Nelda Archer.

City Council Minutes

City Council met in regular session Feb. 12, 1990 at City Hall. Below are the unofficial minutes of that meeting.

Reports Rassed

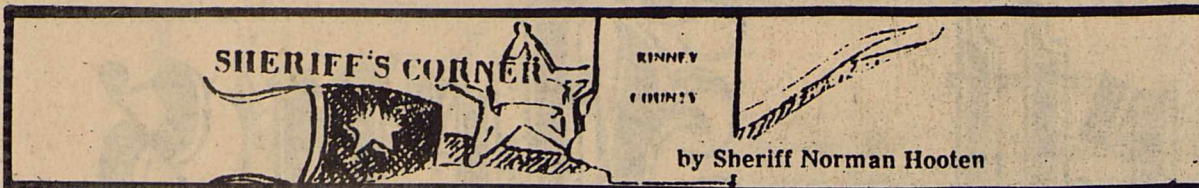
City and Utility dept. financial and operational reports were passed.

Road Paving Discussion

Cordialla Mendeke and Mayor La Gioia engaged in a lengthy discussion on the road repairs that are being made throughout the city.

Mendeke stated, "I did not ask to be on the agenda, I just asked you office down stairs and Mr. Saenz about the priority list on street repairs, I want to know what it will take to match up Fulton St. with our business, I asked before and was told there was not money available. I then noticed several areas being paved. I asked if the city had paid for it, then I asked when the city would have the time, money and materials budgeted to match up Fulton St. to our pavement. I was concerned that the money would run out before you got to it."

Mayor La Gioia responded in stating, "These streets have not been paved in 15 to 18 years. What we had talked about was paving the whole street. We looked at the whole street because it is a business street and receives more traffic than other streets. He then informed Mendeke that the city was responsible for paving the streets, and they were doing so as money was available. He also explained that several businesses such as Frontier Guns and the First Baptist Church had paid for the materials to pave the city easements



I don't want to keep beating you over the head about the nationwide drug problem, and I don't want you to feel that it's tiresome to keep hearing about a problem we can't seem to get under control. However, I do feel it is important that the readers of this column are aware of some of the related facts that you might not otherwise be aware of, or, if you are aware of them, well, maybe it won't hurt to be reminded.

There is developing across the United States a dangerous trend of thought that maybe we should legalize drugs and drug use. This idea as described by proponents of it would free the millions of dollars now being used in drug enforcement and that money could be channeled into drug treatment centers for addicts and users seeking help with their drug problem. Millions upon millions of dollars are already being spent on drug treatment centers and those centers surely have their place within the framework of our efforts to combat drugs. However, to support the idea of withdrawing the battle lines of drug enforcement activities and efforts would be in similar mentality as that of a weary parent tired of fighting a spoiled child and telling that child, "Well, alright, do what you want to do, even if it's bad for you. There are no more rules, just stop crying and if what you want to do makes you sick or breaks your bones I will take you to the doctor to make you well."

Of course this is an exaggeration and the nationwide drug problem is far more severe than problems with a spoiled child. The way to control a spoiled child is simple: Set rules and regulations, educate that child as to the reasons for those rules, strictly enforce those rules and administer punishment when those rules are violated. The same policy should be (and in most cases is) administered in most of our law enforcement situations. The idea of ceasing our attempts at drug enforcement is deeply disturbing to most law enforcement officers, educators, parents, and for now, most of the general population.

Sure educators, parents, and law enforcement officers sometimes grow weary of the struggle and sometimes in the darkest moments we may sometimes ask ourselves "What's the use?" The frontline warrior against crime, the common peace officer, sure as -- asks himself that question from time to time and especially when he hears of yet another officer being killed in the line of duty. Example: According to preliminary information received by the F.B.I., 5 city, county, and federal law enforcement officers were killed due to criminal action during the month of January, 1990. Three of the officers were slain in the southern region of the U.S., and 1 each in the northeast and midwest. Two officers were killed in unprovoked attacks, 2 during arrest attempts, and 1 during a robbery investigation. Four were killed with

handguns and 1 was stabbed. All 5 killings have been cleared by law enforcement.

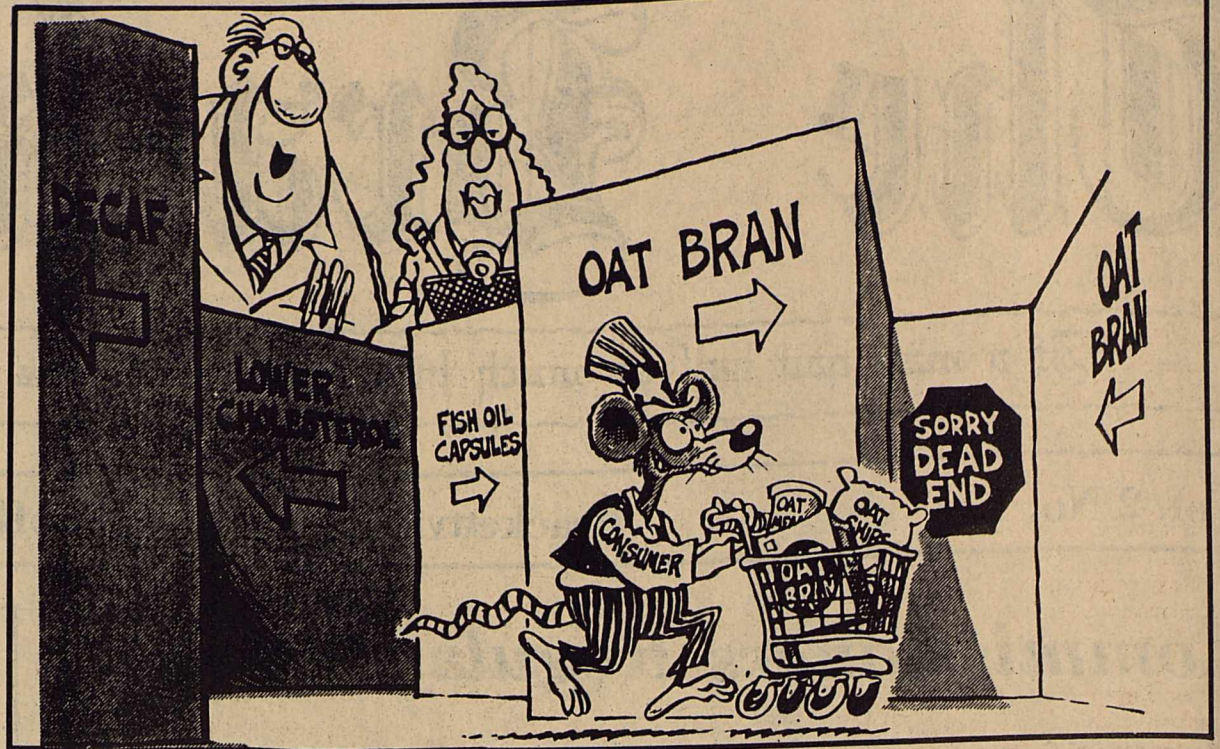
We must keep up the fight against crime, and most especially against drugs. Without education and rules, regulations, and laws our society would soon revert to the law of the jungle where the biggest, strongest, and meanest would dominate and civilized society would cease to be.

We need, desperately need, to educate our children, their parents, and the general public as to the dangers of illegal drug use and abuse, including alcohol. But we also, somehow, need to educate our judges and lawmakers of the criminal justice system and somehow convince them to take a harder stand in support of law enforcement in general and drug enforcement in particular. Each cog in the wheel of criminal justice must be heat-treated and hardened to stand up under tremendous pressure, it must do its part or the wheel slowly grinds to a halt. We must not let that happen!

Ironically we see judges and lawmakers take extremely hardcore stands on emotional crimes such as a deranged person going into a school with a rifle and killing and wounding children. The lawmakers scurry about passing laws making it illegal for the general law-abiding public to own guns similar to that used by the killer. These emotional actions do not really affect the criminal element of our society nor do they really have any effect on those who would perform such an act. What these irrational acts by judges and lawmakers do accomplish is to satisfy the judges and lawmakers, and in some degrees, the general public that SOMETHING is being done. This is by no means the answer to the problem. Making and passing laws that in actuality make "outlaws" out of already law-abiding citizens in order to soothe the outrage of the public against heinous crimes is like sticking your head in the sand and hoping it will all go away. We already have strict laws on the use and abuse of firearms. Law abiding citizens obey these laws so why place more restrictions on them? Why not go after the criminal that uses a firearm in the commission of his crime and bury him or put him in prison for the rest of his life so as to prevent HIS committing another similar crime?

How in the name of common decency can judges set up there in their ivory towers and turn loose drug dealers, murderers, and other criminals on some vague technicality or because their "rights" have been violated? Rights? How about the rights of the hundreds of victims who die or have their lives ruined each year at the hands of criminals? How about the hundreds of law enforcement officers wounded or killed in action by criminals each year?

Yes, we do grow confused, and yes, we do grow weary of it all sometimes. And yes, in the still of the night we sometimes lie there, staring into the darkness and ask ourselves "What is the use?" But we always, somehow, reach way down inside and find the courage and the will to rise up with the dawn to try "just one more time. We must not waver, and we must not weaken. Society as we know it needs us. Don't they?"



Letter To The Editor

Once again the voter is faced with the task of electing officials for positions of responsibility in our county administration. This is not a simple matter if one is to make a selection of the best qualified. As a relative newcomer, with less than four years residency, we find it difficult to make our selection based on the printed work in the newspapers, or word-of-mouth representations from friends, old-timers or the candidates themselves. Some voice their appraisal with obvious prejudice, negative, because of some error or indiscretion of years ago, or positive, because of family relationship, or church, or club affiliation.

In our viewpoint, several major considerations must be evaluated about each candidate, if one is to properly select the best qualified:

- What working knowledge and experience can they cite that would most likely contribute to effective and reliable performance?
- Have they resided in the county at least five years whereby they have demonstrated by word and deed that their concern for economic and social matters is genuine and above their self-pride and satisfaction?
- What pattern of success can be confirmed by noteworthy academic achievement, business growth and prosperity, civic accomplishments, and respect for law and order? What have they contributed of lasting value?
- What degree of servanthood (apart from self-serving aspirations) have they demonstrated by past public service? What real concern have they displayed for the socio-economic hopes and fears of the people, especially those who bear most of the burden for school and property taxes?

Undoubtedly, there are other personal attributes of which we should take note--if they are brought to light. This is especially important for the key positions of County Judge

and County Commissioner, whose performance affects our tax load and economic development most of all.

Perhaps our newspapers should compile a list of questions on citizens' concerns--or prerequisites for these positions--and strive to obtain an honest and candid response from each candidate, for repeat publication. Here are some concerns that we and many others may have:

a. How can we reconcile a radio-active waste dump in Kinney County with sound and continuing economic development and protection of our clean air and water environment?

b. How can we overcome the detrimental effect such a waste dump would have on property values, attraction of new "clean" industry, and a stable economy dependent on ranching, hunting, tourism, small business, and the Fort Clark Springs recreation/retirement community?

c. What concrete proposals can be made for reduction or elimination of programs, property, or proposed projects that could soak up tax dollars without providing over-all county benefits?

d. What economic guidelines should be observed for future planning and development? What controls do they propose to avoid the crunch of increased taxation to satisfy personal pet projects of elected officials? What degree of public information will they provide?

If we could answer these questions to our satisfaction, along with our personal evaluation of the candidate, then we just may elect the best person for each top office. Our newspapers should assume responsibility for a full and unbiased disclosure of the candidates views and qualifications. Thus, the voter will make a better selection and hopefully be more satisfied with future performance on the part of those they helped put in office.

Dick & Huguette Hirsh.

From The Editor

Mr. Hirsch, When we began composing the "Meet the candidates" issue, our main concern was that the candidates be represented fairly and impartially, yet, be informative. The best way to accomplish this (in my opinion) was to let the candidates represent themselves.

They had a free hand, I suggested that they may want to enlighten the public with past experience records, changes they may want to see if elected to offices, changes they had seen and progress they were proud of while serving in office, I also asked if they would give a little bit of information on their private lives such as family members ect.

You brought up some very good questions, and I hope the candidates answer some of them through advertising in our paper.

I do not however think the "Meet the Candidates" issue was a flop. Having each candidate represent themselves gave me much insight into their thinking and priorities.

In a small community it is always easiest to vote for your neighbor or friend, though they are a good person does not mean they will make a good leader of the community. Think about a persons experience, background and accomplishments, also what if any changes they may make in our community if elected.

The person that pushes for new businesses and that tries to get a company in Brackettville offering jobs to the area will get my vote. This can be done by cutting taxes and offering land at a good price to potential businesses thinking to relocate or expand. We need this in our community if we are to prosper and grow. The candidate that is for this and works toward this is in my opinion the candidate that cares about our town.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Pasanski



Winners of the Knights of Columbus free throw competition are left to right, Moses Hernandez, Regan Spring, Joey Avila, Olga Aguirre, Kelly Henrich, and Doug Spring.

Bi-District Playoff

The Brackett Tigerettes will travel to San Antonio on Thursday, February 15, 1990, to meet the Three

Rivers Lady bulldogs for Bi-District basketball playoff. The game will be at Southwest High School at 7:00 p.m.

Financial Aid Week

The fourth annual Financial Aid Awareness Week will be held February 12-18 with the Financial Aid Hotline opened February 17 and 18 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

"The purpose of Financial Aid Awareness Week is to make students and parents more aware of what is available through their financial aid office," said Ismael Talavera, Southwest Texas Junior College Director

of Student Financial Aid. Keeping pace with the rising cost of education isn't easy and Financial Aid Awareness Week is the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators way of providing information.

The Hotline is a toll-free number, with bilingual assistance, and interested persons are urged to call 1-800-253-8989.



Mary Koch enjoyed a visit from her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones of San Antonio.

Its glad to see Mrs. Adams back at school from a short hospital stay. Mrs. Adams says that she is doing just fine.--Glad to hear it!!

"Big Mamma" was visited by Naomi Smith and Sandy Bartkowiak from Houston.

A surprise birthday party was held for Dorothy Roberts at the Catholic Church Wednesday night. German Chocolate cake and punch were served. "Sunny Girl" made the cake and all the students were involved.

Gloria Samaniego is also in the hospital, she will be in until Friday, when she will be released. Hope to see her well soon!!

Regina Ann Pena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Pena of Bay City, celebrated her 2nd Birthday, with a Pinata and games party in San Antonio on February 11, 1989. Attending her party, included. Mrs. Serpio T. Cardenas, Raquel and Ruby Cardenas, Rebecca, Ricky and Marlena Moore of Del Rio. Also, Mrs. Atanacio Pena, Martha, Beau and Mathew Smallwood and her grandmother, Maria Elena Pena.

Congratulations to Myrna Gonzalez and Emily Potter for receiving I, a superior rating on their Class II solos. The girls competed at the district Solo & Ensemble last Saturday at Eagle Pass.

Letter To The Editor

Since the burning of our home on December 22, 1989, we have experienced the love of God and answered prayers by the outpouring of gifts... furniture, linens, houseware, money and most of all, prayers in behalf of our family from this community.

This love has transcended both Christmas and Valentine's Day. May God return to you all "100-times" what you have so compassionately poured out to us. (Your know who you are.)

God Bless You All
Bob, Charolette,
Cary and Heather Corey

Freeze Aid Available

So far seven applicants have qualified for the freeze disaster aid available at the Kinney Co. court house.

The program will continue until Feb. 24 so persons that think they may be eligible should apply. Also available through this program is a chance to sign up with the Texas Employment Commission, your name will be entered and kept on file.

Businesses interested in hiring should also take advantage of this program. (For further information contact the County Judge's Office 563-2401)

Correction

In the "Meet the Candidates, we incorrectly printed that Rose Mary Slubar had adopted her autistic grandson, she did in fact adopt one of her grandchildren but not her autistic grandchild. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

It was also brought to our attention that we did not state which office Mary Seavers is running for, she is running for the office of Tax/Assessor Collector, our apology Mary.

Your Information

Newspapers reach the most politically active citizens. One or more newspapers a day are read by: ***69 percent of those who voted in an election. ***72 percent of those who wrote to an elected official. ***70 percent of those who visited an elected official. ***71 percent of those who worked for a political party or candidate. (Source: Simmons Market Research).



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Golf News by Les Roper

The Golf Course Management Committee will be meeting Thursday morning, February 15, 1990 at 10:00 a.m. in the Bugle Room for their regular monthly meeting.

Progress is still being made in golf course improvements and this is primarily due to the cooperation of the membership.

A reporter from the Guinness Book of Records has been visiting the golf course lately and he is trying to come up with some records to enter in to this very prestigious book.

these feathered gladiators that were such gallant fighters and excelled in these battles that he had been hearing about.

Everything points to another landslide victory for Colonel Viestenz, Lou Schlatterer, Charlie Descheemaeker, and Harold Kauffman as they continued their winning ways this past Wednesday during league play.

Point standings are Now: 1st..Gobblers...80 pts. 2nd..Horned Toads...62 pts. 3rd..Rattlesnakes...38 pts.

themselves as much as they did on Friday. The scoring was very close with first place being claimed by Ralph and Hilda Viestenz and Lee and Eleanor Herron posting a net score of 38.

As the "Old Golf Committee" move into the last few days of their regime they continue to sponsor good golf tournaments. Saturday, 72 players signed up for a scramble and had more fun than a group of fourth graders visiting Brackenridge Park in San Antonio for the first time.

win second place while Clem Melve, Ken Kenerson, Red Udy, and Marti Isenberg birdied number ten to claim third place.

Recreational director, Sondra Meil, continues to launch very big groups of golfers out on the nine hole par three course and as to date not one single explosion on the launch pad.

big course on Monday".

This past Tuesday morning, which was Ladies Day, found 33 "Fort Clark Beauties" rearing and ready to get started in a game of golf as only they can play.

After concluding play some of the ladies were concerned over the format. Ronnie is experimenting with several different ways to approach the situation and with a little patience and understanding a solution will be found that will not only benefit the golf course but assist the ladies and the men in their quest for a fun day.

On An Average Day: 36,910 cars are sold..of these 16,241 are sold to women. 12,630 light trucks are sold. 2,147 are sold to women.

Words of Wisdom: The persons hardest to convince they're at the retirement age are children at bedtime. Infant care has to be learned from the bottom up.

Baseball Registration Set

Registration for the 1990 Kinney County Little League Baseball season will be held on February 17, 1990 in The First Baptist Church on Ann Street from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

- T-Ball - Boys and girls ages 6-8
- Little League Baseball - Boys and Girls ages 9-12.
- Little League Softball - Girls ages 9-12.
- Senior League - Ages 13-15.

for the upcoming season should bring the registration fee of \$5, their birth certificate, and a guardian to sign for them.

This will be the first year for the Kinney County Little League to offer Girl's Softball and the Senior League. Coaches will be needed, and Applications are available at the Following Locations: •Super S •Rob's Mini Mart

For more information on upcoming registration, please contact Sonny Harrison at 563-2136.



Sports...

Tigerettes Win District

by J.J. Guidry

HONDO-The Tigerettes defeat Lytle 53-49 on Monday in Hondo for the district 31-AA championship.

The game began as an offensive battle inside. It was neck-and-neck throughout. With Brackett leading only by three at the end of the first quarter.

In the second period, the Tigerettes

took a 27-18 lead as Tanya Frerich scored a lay-up at the 3:08 mark. Lytle pulled within three but Brackett pushed back it's lead to six as they led 33-26 at the half.

Brackett dominated the second half. They increased their lead to nine at one point, and continued to lead throughout.

Tigers Victorious

by J.J. Guidry

BRACKETTVILLE-The Junior Varsity Tigers won their last home game of the year with a 63-47 victory over the Cotulla J.V. Cowboys last Friday afternoon.

Four of Brackett's J.V. players scored in double-figures to lead the Tigers to the win. W.T. Hunt earned

high scorer honors with 14 points, while Peter Perez and Refugio Martinez had 11. J.J. Sandoval made 10 points, Scott Sims tallied up 9, Arturo Falcon had 5, and Lynn Floyd scored 3.

Danny Nieto and Jesse Charo scored 10 points each for Cotulla. Alfredo Valdez and J.C. Zamora scored 8, Frankie Garcia had 7, and Juan Solis made 4.

Sandoval Recognized

During a Junior Varsity basketball game last week, J.J. Sandoval sank a 24 foot three point shot.

Coach Gregg Nowlin held a baseball meeting last week. 18 athletes attended. Brackett I.S.D. hasn't had a baseball team in over 20 years. This years team will play a Junior Varsity schedule.

Coach Frank Taylor will be in charge of the tennis team this year.

The netters have three regional qualifiers returning. They are Clay Hunt, Tevin Senne, and Shelley McDaniel.

Other students who signed up to compete this year were Vivian Luna, Kasey Hall, Valerie Talamantez, Michelle Brandt, Wendy McDainel, Peter Perez, W.T. Hunt, Lynn Floyd, John Hernandez, Victor Sanchez, and J.J. Guidry.

Rough Time On The Road

by J.J. Guidry

NATALIA-The Tigers had a rough time on the road against Natalia Tuesday. The Mustangs defeated Brackett 79-63.

Billy Thompson scored 17 points in the first quarter to put Natalia up 22-19. Before halftime the Mustangs upped their lead to 10. The score was 41-31 at the halfway mark.

Natalia secured the victory by outscoring Brackett 23-6 in the third stanza.

Thompson led the Mustangs with 30 points, while Jeffery Lefevre had 25.

Jerry Guzman and George Campos had 6 each, Luke Swenson made 5, Henry Booth scored 4, Eric Teague made 7, and Robert Jaurez added 1.

Mitch Frerich was the Tigers high scorer with 22 points, while Eddie Garza connected with 10 points, Armando Talamantez made 9, Clay Hunt had 7, Lesly Floyd scored a three-pointer, and John Hernandez had 2 points.

The Tigers are now 7-6 in district. They will finish their season in LaPryor on Friday.

One for the Road

by J.J. Guidry

BRACKETTVILLE-The Tigerettes finished their regular season with a 64-48 victory over the Cowgirls.

They ended the season with only two district losses, both on the road and in overtime.

Brackett was led by Yvonne Luna, who scored 25, and Stephanie Ahrens with 23 points. Wendy McDaniel and Dorothy Ward scored 6, while Theresa Terrazas and Vivian Luna made 2 points a piece.

Rosa Ramirez scored 23 for Cotulla, while Cindy Rodriguez had 10,

Janette Malicoat scored 7, Sylvia Mora made 2, and Jennifer Javens and Izelda Cassiano scored 1 point each.

Brackett began the game with a 13-0 run, and held on for a 17-8 lead at the end of the opening period.

Cotulla woke up in the second quarter and pulled within three, but the Tigerettes regained a 28-22 lead at halftime.

The Tigerettes outscored Cotulla 24-7 in the third period to hold on to their undefeated district record at home for two straight seasons.

Super Superlatives

by J.J. Guidry

The high school classes at Brackett High School recently voted for superlatives. Here are the 1989-90 superlatives:

Freshman

- Most Likely to succeed-Wendy McDaniel and Charles Frerich
- Most Popular-Myrna Gonzalez and Lynn Floyd.
- Funniest-Myrna Gonzalez and J.J. Sandoval.
- Most Beautiful and Handsome-Theresa Terrazas and Adrean Pena.
- Friendliest-Wendy McDaniel and Lynn Floyd.

Sophomore

- Most likely to succeed-Jenifer Shahan and W.T. Hunt.
- Most Popular-Veronica Barragon and Lesly Floyd.
- Funniest-Diana Castillo and Lenny Wardlaw.
- Beautiful and Handsome-Veronica Barragon and Lesley Floyd.

Friendliest-Maria Duran and Lesley Floyd.

Juniors

- Most likely to succeed-Shelley McDaniel and Ernest Esparza.
- Most Popular-Shelley McDaniel and Steve Clementz.
- Funniest-Melinda Sandoval and Clay Hunt.
- Most Beautiful and Handsome-Nancy Mendoza and Clay Hunt.
- Friendliest-Shelly McDaniel and Ernest Esparza.

Seniors

- Most likely to succeed-Bonnie Frerich and Fidel Hernandez.
- Most Popular-Yvonne Luna and Armando Talamantez.
- Funniest-Terry Castillo and Ed Garza.
- Most Beautiful and Handsome-Yvonne Luna and Mitch Frerich.
- Friendliest-Yvonne Luna and Gus Garcia.

Sports Bits

by J.J. Guidry

Say What? No way! Mike Tyson, knocked out?

Iron Mike Tyson was defeated for the first time in his professional career by James "Buster" Douglas on Saturday evening in Tokyo, Japan. Douglas is the new world Boxing Champ...or maybe not.

Many of the governing officials in the boxing world are not yet recognizing Douglas as the champ. They are questioning because they claim the referee had made a mistake in the count when Tyson sent Douglas to the canvas in the eighth round. Douglas wasn't counted out and came back with a TKO two rounds later.

The east defeated the west 130-113 in the 40th annual NBA all-star game Sunday in Miami. San Antonio's David Robinson scored 15 points and

grabbed 10 rebounds. Magic Johnson, who was playing in his tenth all-star game, earned MVP honors.

A future Tigerette entered the World this past week. Late Friday night, February 9, Daphney Brooke Hunt was born in Uvalde. Proud parents are H.C. and Mollie Hunt.

Speaking of the Tigerettes, they won their second district championship on Monday in Hondo over Lytle. On hand was former Brackettville citizen, Charles Koch. Mr. Koch was Jones Elementary principal from 1962-1982.

The Tigerettes will play Three Rivers tonight for Bi-District honors, while the Tigers end their season tomorrow in LaPryor.

John Madden has his All-Madden football team, well next week the first All-Guidry basketball team will be announced!!!

Garza Leads Tigers

by J.J. Guidry

BRACKETT-Five players scored in double figures on Friday to lead the Tigers to a 94-68 victory over the Cotulla Cowboys.

The Tigers only led by a one point at the end of the first period, but scored 26 points to earn a 41-30 halftime lead.

Brackett didn't get tired as they went on to score 26 again in the third period and 27 during the final stanza for their highest scoring game of the year.

Eddie Garza led the Tigers in scoring with 20 points, while Mitch Frerich followed with 18. Clay Hunt started for the injured David Flores and tallied up 13 points. Tevin Senne, who came off the bench, also scored 13. Steve Clementz hit four three-pointers for 12 points. He also contributed 14 assists.

Armando Talamantez scored 8 points, John Hernandez had 6 points, four of which came on tip ins, while Lesly Floyd and Cary Haynes both added 2.

David Perez led the Cowboys with 34, while Randy Ramirez managed 10. Jose Ramirez and Joe Perez both scored 8, while Todd Zenner had 5 and Rodney Alvarado added 1.

Tennis Schedule

March 2,3 - Southwest Texas Jr. College Inv.

March 8,9,10 - Sabinal Invitational

March 16,17 - Open

March 23,24 - Uvalde High School Invitational

April 2,3 - District meet at Sabinal

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Unsung Hero

It is always good to see a local boy do well. An outstanding example is a young man who finished school in Brackettville and then went on to College and earned his degree.

He followed family tradition by

being a rancher. He has been active in his service club and in his church. He has contributed much in his efforts on behalf of the Health Clinic. He served well as a county

commissioner. He has a lovely wife and fine family. He is warm hearted and friendly to all. Truly Tim Ward is an "Unsung Hero."

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Methodist Church Announces Installment of Officers

Pastor J. Roland Cole announces that the INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS of First United Methodist Church, Brackettville, will take place Sunday, February 18, during the morning worship service. A listing of church officers will be published next week.

Mrs. Leola Finger, Chairman of the Mission Committee, announces the following:

The Mission Committee of the

First United Methodist Church of Brackettville is planning a rummage sale for March 2, 1990. The money derived from this sale will be used in our local mission work, to help, as much as possible, the great need of the poor in the Brackettville area. If you have any rummage items, have no prior demand for them, and would care to donate them to this cause, we would appreciate receiving them for our mission work. If you

have anything you wish to donate we would be glad to pick it up, you may either call the Methodist Church at 563-3823, Leola Finger at 563-2565 or Helen Peck at 563-9352 for pick-up. Thank you.

The public is invited to attend the third Sunday evening session (6:00 p.m., 109 W. St. James St.) on What United Methodist Believe. After a short review of the previous two sessions (What UM Christians Have in Common with Other Denomina-

tions and The Distinctive Emphases of United Methodism) those present will consider the traditional United Methodist approach to ethical and Christian decision-making. This approach passed down from John Wesley, the founder, utilizes four

criteria: Scripture (primary), Tradition, Experience and Reason. While it is not true that "Methodists can believe anything" (at least, not when true to the United Methodist heritage and identity), it is true that the church is not creedal in the historic sense and that there is room for many different kinds of "thinking in faith" or theologies.

Thus United Methodism is known for tolerance, charity, and a balanced

(as opposed to a narrow) approach to the larger issues of the faith. The February 18th session will also consider "Our Theological Task," reflecting upon the need to appropriate the witness and treasures of the past, "translate" for our contemp-

orary situation, thereby making a relevant witness. All are welcome and encouraged to come at 5:30 p.m. for snacks and refreshments before the class begins.

Last Sunday, the class considered John Wesley's "order of salvation" and his emphasis on three aspects of

God's grace (grace prevention, justifying, and sanctifying). It reflected upon the balanced beliefs and practices the "Methodists" have

long divided, knowledge and vital piety" (education and faith); is concerned both to Nurture the Body of Christ, the Church, corporately and individually, and be the Body of Christ in Mission in the world; is known for knowing and showing the importance of Faith and Good Works, Personal Assurance and Social Witness."

Church School is at 10:00 a.m. Public Worship begins at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. The public is invited. (For more information call 3-2823.)

been known for. It explored the truth in the assertion of Pastor Cole: "When United Methodist is true to its roots and heritage, it is both Protestant and Catholic; Evangelical and Reformed; unites "those two so



Public Support Important in Fighting Drugs

"Public support and involvement is one of the most important crime-fighting tools of today's law enforcement", Sheriff Norman Hooten said in a recent interview. "In Kinney County and throughout our State, the public must be on our side in the fight for effective law enforcement."

According to the Sheriff, his department must work in an extremely complex environment and deal with a growing, highly sophisticated criminal element in the war against drugs, organized crime and commercial vice.

"There are many things which the concerned citizen can do to help us," the Sheriff added. For instance, simple precautions can help protect you and your property, such as:

Burglar proof your home
Know where your children are at all times

Stay alert and report all crimes to the law enforcement agency serving you.

Citizens are also encouraged to get involved. "The Sheriffs' Association of Texas works to upgrade law

enforcement and ensure public safety throughout the State," the Sheriff added.

"Our goal is to professionalize Sheriffs' Departments statewide through better training and to increase public awareness of the problems which we face in our everyday work," he added.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas is a 103 year old organization and has always been a strong advocate for more advanced instructions for Texas peace officers, because we want to provide the kind of protection to our citizens that they need and deserve," Sheriff Hooten concluded.

The Sheriff emphasized, "With the increasing crime rates and difficult economic times, the public cannot afford to look the other way and leave law enforcement to only a handful of people in our State. The support and concern of each and every law-abiding citizen of Kinney County and every other county is needed in the fight for good, professional law enforcement in Texas."

Summer Food Program

AUSTIN-The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) announces the availability of the Summer Food Service Program to eligible organizations next summer.

The program provides meals to children from needy areas when schools are closed for vacation. About \$7 million, appropriated through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is available to operate the program in Texas. The program is to be offered without discrimination due to race, color, national origin, sex, age or handicap.

Service institutions eligible to sponsor the program include public or non-profit private schools, residential summer camps, and local, municipal or county governments. Service institutions must contact DHS by Feb. 28, 1990, for more information.

Applications should be received by April 15, 1990.

Service institutions may also subcontract with food service management companies to provide meals. To be eligible to bid for contracts for the Summer Food Service Program, these companies must be registered with DHS. Applications will be mailed to companies that were registered in the last two years. Applications for registration must be received by March 15, 1990.

Organization interested in sponsoring the program should call David X. Chavez at (512) 450-3737 or write: Texas Dept. of Human Services Contracted Services 651-W P.O. Box 149030 Austin, Texas 78714-9030 Attn: David X. Chavez

R.G.E.C. Appoints Manager

On February 7, 1990 the Board of Directors hired Dan Laws as General Manager of the Cooperative.

Dan is 36 years of age and comes to RGE from Texaco where he has been Electrical Foreman for the Midland District the past eight years. In this position, Dan was responsible

for electrical construction, maintenance and system design for forty counties in West Texas.

Dan and his wife Darlene are parents of three sons, ages 14, 10 and 7.

Dan is looking forward to working with the Member/Consumers of RGE.

Adult Literacy Program

The Del Rio Adult Literacy Council successfully completed their second Tutor Training class Friday and Saturday, February 2, and 3. Seventeen new tutors were certified. As a result of your publicity, one of the tutors is a resident of Brackettville and one is from Fort Clark Springs.

These tutors are qualified to teach non-readers on a one-to-one basis. An estimated 7,000 plus adults in this area are unable to read. If you know

one of these people, encourage them to call 775-1692 to arrange for this confidential program.

NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

On the 1 day of FEBRUARY, 1990, I impounded the following estray:

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and, on the 7 day of FEBRUARY, 1990 I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Kinney County, Texas. I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Kinney County, Texas, for the owner of said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 1 day of MARCH, 1990, said estray will be sold at public auction at SOUTHWEST LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE, UVALDE, TX.

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THE GRAPEVINE



BY GUS GARCIA

Howdy!! How you folks doing? Just fine on this side of the paper.

The Brackett F.H.A. and F.F.A. attended the 41st Annual Livestock Show and Rodeo last weekend, Saturday, February 10. Members had a great time at the carnival as well as the rodeo. Mrs. Mary Lee Haby, F.H.A. sponsor, Mr. David Carroll, F.F.A. sponsor, Mrs. Sylvia Garcia, Mrs. Melody Carroll, and Mr. Clyde Hepline charperoned the trip.

Students just got over the ACT blues as they took the test last weekend. "It was a killer," was the popular response of test takers.

Pete Abrego will also celebrate his birthday on the 10th of February.

Happy belated Birthday to J.J. Sandoval who celebrated his birthday in late January.

The F.H.A. sold over 700 balloons. They would like to thank everyone who made it a success. And a special thanks to "The patient ones" Also a huge thank you to Clyde Hepline, and Chip Haby.

Congratulations Tigerettes!!! The Tigerettes are the 1989-90 District 31-aa Champs! They face Three Rivers tonight (Thursday) Good Luck!!!

Tickets are still available for the suzuki four-wheeler that the C.C.D. students of the Catholic Church are raffling off.

Happy Birthday to Mr. Hall, He'll be --- on the 10th.

A hearty congratulations also goes out to all those who participated in the U.I.L. practice meet in Del Rio

last Saturday. Bonnie Frerich won 3rd place in the accounting category, and Gus Garcia (that's me) won 2nd place in Headline writing. Congrats/

Jenifer Shahan won Grand Champion for her fine wool lamb, at the San Antonio Livestock show and Rodeo.

Seniors have already been measured for caps and gown. Time sure flies when your having fun doesn't it?

Congratulations to Mrs. and Mr. Clay Hunt. Mollie gave birth to Daphne Brooke on February 9. Mrs. and Mr. Lloyd Lee Davis had their baby girl on Valentine's Day. Congratulations!!!

BETWEEN US



BY JOE TOWNSEND

While eating breakfast one morning a man's neighbor came in and asked to borrow his axe. The man replied, "No I guess not, I'm going to shave after a while." After the neighbor left the man's wife said, "Now that's ridiculous, what does your shaving have to do with lending your axe?" The man sagely replied, "Wifey if I'm not going to lend him my axe it doesn't make any difference what excuse I use. The modus operandi of the crusader seems to be, "If I'm going to be opposed, it doesn't make any difference what excuse I use!"

In a letter to the Editor I find some quite whimsical writing. Since the letter was not signed, I must assume from the content it was from O'Rourke Realty.

To quote, "A licence may be suspended or revoked when it has been determined that a licensee has made misrepresentation," has been completely ignored by O'Rourke Realty.

Since there is no valid or probable evidence the dump "may prove a health hazard, a public nuisance or in other ways have a detrimental effect on property use or value", the selected 'lakes of sulphuric acid and radioactive dirt' shows an attempt to hype negative emotions. These statements serve but to stir fears in the unthinking.

Anyone caring to know the facts knows the "dump" possibilities cover a very limited area due to geological factors. At no point could it be within 10 miles of Brackettville or Fort. Clark.

It would be interesting to have documented and affirmed who and how many have "abandoned immediate purchase plans."

If O'Rourke is truly as conscientious as it is desired to convey, I have some questions to pose...

Have you ever told a potential customer that deer pose a definite health threat. Have you told them it's almost impossible to grow roses freely and unprotected because deer delight in eating them? Have you ever told a potential buyer most

shrubs are at risk because of marauding deer. Have you told buyers deer come into every area of Fort Clark and Brackettville during the night. Have you told buyers they are at risk even walking because deer may have dropped "deer ticks" and they may be better and get "limes disease?"

Have you told patrons that upwards of 20 transports of gasoline and jet fuel roar through Brackettville at roughly 40 to 45 mi. per hour daily and come back through empty and hence potentially more dangerous. Do you tell them that not long ago one transport caught fire not far from Brackettville and Hiway 90 was blocked several hours until it burned out? Do you tell buyers our bank was robbed? Do you tell people Fort Clark Springs was severely flooded recently? Do you tell people a part of Ft. Clark Springs was recently ravaged by a tornado? Do you tell buyers we've had hail storms that

wiped out windows and roof in Brackettville and Fort Clark? These are facts that are incontrovertible and hear upon Brackettville and Fort Clark Springs-not some supposed, maybe, possible, problem ten miles away.

It remains a fact that property sales are still being made. Where sales are slow it's not because of "possible potential nuisance" 10 miles away. Apparently O'Rourke Realty is concerned about, "out of town customers wanting to locate in this small resort retirement community."

Since the regulation you quote speaks of "omitting" facts; have you told prospective buyers how much taxes the "dump" will put in the county treasury? Have you told them how many jobs will be provided? In a county with such a large percent of people on welfare and some people fussing about taxes, such an addition deserves consideration.

Library News

Your Kinney County Public Library is happy to report that wall shelving is now firmly secured to the walls, with no more danger of books or cases of magazines sliding off, or shelves toppling over on unwary patrons. Thanks go to County Judge Tommy Seargeant for his help and supervision in getting this work done.

Have you ever wished for the address or telephone number of the manufacturer of a product which has a problem, so that you could ask for a replacement in part or in full? Your Library has a copy of National Directory of Addresses and Telephone Numbers. Other frequently used reference books include AT&T Toll-free Telephone Numbers; Consumer Report's Buying Guide; Complete Consumer Car Guide; Business Telephone Directories for San Antonio,

Dallas, and Houston; Guide for the Family of the Alcoholic; Living with a Parent Who Drinks Too Much; Games and Scams of Cash Value Life Insurance. Also available are free copies of a brochure with information about Financial Aid for College Students. Ask our Librarian Irma Perez, her assistant Maria Sanchez, or Library Volunteer Earlene Thurbur, to show you the shelves where these materials are displayed for your use.

Each month a rotating selection of books printed in Spanish is received. Come in and enjoy improving or practicing your Spanish with novels, romances, Zane Grey Westerns, etc. For serious readers, we also have serious books in Spanish, such as Dealing with Anxiety and Depression, for example...

Thursday and Friday of next week, February 22nd and 23rd, will be official holidays. County offices, including you Library, will be closed in observance of Washington's Birthday.



Happy Birthday

Regina Pena of Bay City on the 12 of Feb.
Catarins Gomez of Brackettville on the 13 of Feb.

Renae Pena of Spring on the 17 of Feb.
Reggie Pena of Bay City on the 19 of Feb.

Wedding Anniversary

Reggie and Cecilia Pena of Bay City on the 21st of Feb.

Voting Update

February 21, 1990 is the first day of absentee voting by personal appearance for March 13 Primary Election (County Clerks Office)

March 9, 1990 is the last day of absentee voting by personal appearance for March 13 Primary Election.

March 13, 1990 is Primary Election Day.

April 10, 1990 is Runoff Primary Election Day.



Evelyn Mary Tartt, Age 64, Died February 10, 1990 in San Antonio, Texas. She resided at 501 East El Paso St. in Brackettville, Texas where she had lived most of her life. Born in San Antonio December 11, 1925.

Funeral Services were held Monday February 12, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. in the St. Mary Magdalene Church with David Zumaya officiating the services. Burial followed at the Catholic Cemetery in Brackettville. Survived by Husband - Roy L. Tartt of Brackettville.

Sons-Michael Lee Roselle of Brackettville, Lance Thomas Roselle of San Antonio.

Daughters-Lisa Roselle Gelperin of San Antonio, Tracey Loraine Nino of Del Rio.

Step-Daughters-Maxine J. Tartt of Los Angeles, Sandra Isbell of Austin.

Step-son-Ronald A. Tartt of Austin.
Granddaughters-Stephanie Michelle Nino & Shannon Lynn Nino of Del Rio.

Step-Grandson-T.J. Tartt of Austin.

Sisters-Virgina Wiggins of San Antonio, Marcella Greathouse of Abilene, Krysta Shirosky of Austin, Dianna Dail of Mason.

Brother-Alex J. Schubach of Boling.

Numerous nieces and nephews
Pallbearers were - Paul Henrich, Bret Trant, T.R. Martin, Lingo Sandoval, Alfred Pena, Kirk Wiggins, Steven Wiggins.

Honorary PB - William H. Riley, William Whitworth, Glenn Deason. Any donations may be sent to the American Cancer Society.

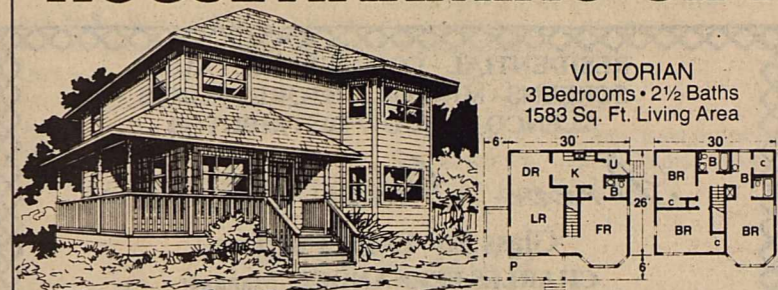


by Dot Burrow

Duplicate Bridge was played at Fort Clark Sabre Room on Sunday afternoon February 11. There were five tables in play using the Howell movement. First place went to Anita Korbel of Del Rio, playing with Norma Gould. Carl and Queenie Mumma took second.

On Tuesday evening Feb. 13 there were six and one half tables in play. Michell was the movement. North-South honors went to Norma Gould and Ben Pingnot. In second place were Anita Korbel and Eileen Voracek. Our visitors from Odessa, Oscar and Ernie Wright, scored highest at East-West, followed by Gene and Mary Britton.

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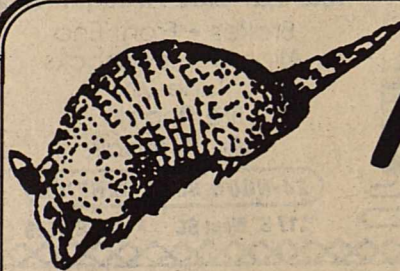
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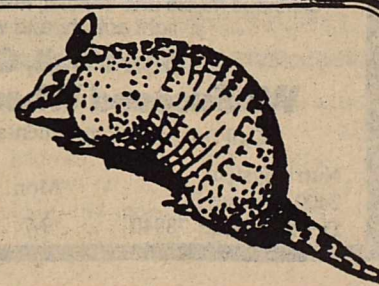
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The groom is a 1983 graduate of

Leakey High School and attends SWTJC and is employed with Mesa Equipment Co.

The bride is a graduate of Richard King High School and UTSA, she is a teacher at John Glenn Elementary School is San Antonio.

The couple will make their home in San Antonio.

Birth Announcement

Walt and Tina Bauguess became great grandparents Feb. 7, 1990. Andrew Bauguess weighed in at 9 lbs. 2 oz.

Parents Dave and Pam Bauguess grandparents David and Barbara Bauguess of Montrose, Colorado.



Sunday, Feb. 18 - 1:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
Monday, Feb. 19 - 8:00 p.m. A-A - Slator Hall, James St.
Monday, Feb. 19 - 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon - St. Andrew's Episcopal Parish Hall.
Monday, Feb. 19 - 7:00 p.m. Civil Air Patrol Cadets (13-21) yrs. Tower building, east side of Uvalde airport. Call Birdie Ward at 563-9416 for info.
Tuesday, Feb. 20 - 7:00 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
Thursday, Feb. 22 - 7:30 p.m. Kinney County Kickers NCO Club
Thursday, Feb. 22 - 12:00 p.m. Rotary Club - Las Moras Inn
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Betty Boop

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Prof. Phumble

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King Crossword

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ACROSS

- Blank look
- Misrepresent
- Namely
- Unfair bet; swindle
- Undersized
- Winglike part
- Tramp
- Buddy
- Prospector's gear
- "Your Majesty"
- Gyre
- Over and above
- Jose's "aunt"
- Tasteless fare
- Certain horseshoe
- Pasha's headwear
- Back talk
- Old-Borgnine TV series
- "Butterfield 8" author
- Hailey novel
- Debbie Reynolds' role
- Mountain crest
- Draw toward
- the-minute (fashionable)
- Burmese knife
- Slapstick prop
- Rainbow river
- Netherlands
- Stumbling block
- Race-course circuit
- Guidonian note
- Snake
- Japanese coin
- Team race
- Bring joy to
- Girder
- worker's item
- Cultivate
- Howard or Ernie
- Witticism
- Oriental tea
- Noah's youngest
- Shinto temple
- And not

Top Video Rentals

- "When Harry Met Sally..." starring **Billy Crystal** (Nelson Home Entertainment) Last Week: No. 1
- "Road House" **Patrick Swayze** (MGM/UA) No. 3
- "Ghostbusters II" **Bill Murray** (RCA/Columbia) No. 2
- "See No Evil, Hear No Evil" **Gene Wilder** (RCA/Columbia) No. 4
- "Star Trek V: The Final Frontier" **William Shatner** (Paramount) No. 7
- "Lock Up" **Sylvester Stallone** (IVE) No. 9
- "K-9" **James Belushi** (MCA) No. 11
- "Batman" **Michael Keaton** (Warner) No. 5
- "Great Balls of Fire" **Dennis Quaid** (Orion) No. 8
- "Renegades" **Kiefer Sutherland** (MCA) No. 21
- "Weekend At Bernie's" **Andrew McCarthy** (IVE) No. 19
- "Scrooged" **Bill Murray** (Paramount) No. 6
- "Say Anything" **John Cusack** (CBS-Fox) No. 15
- "Three Fugitives" **Nick Nolte** (Touchstone) No. 12
- "A Nightmare On Elm Street 5: The Dream Child" **Robert Englund** (Media Home Ent) No. 14
- "Working Girl" **Melanie Griffith** (CBS-Fox) No. 13
- "Adventures of Baron Munchausen" **Eric Idle** (RCA/Columbia) No. 10
- "Licence To Kill" **Timothy Dalton** (CBS-Fox) New Entry
- "Rain Man" **Tom Cruise** (MGM/UA) No. 17
- "Major League" **Tom Berenger** (Paramount) No. 16

Trivia Test

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

by Charles King Cooper

WEEKLY TIP: Sidestep trivial concerns and concentrate on career goals.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Expenses may be high. Still, you'll make progress on the job front. Be alert for new money-making opportunities. Use initiative. You and a close tie may decide to travel together. Downplay ego if you wish rapport with others.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You may wish to spend time by yourself, but close ties may take this the wrong way. Important research projects go well now. Socializing may cause you to neglect responsibilities. Get your work done. A gathering could lead to new romance.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Cut back on flamboyant tactics. The only way to get ahead now is through hard work — but it will pay off. Nix showy schemes. A relative gives you a disapproving glance, but social plans should work out well. Multiple options stem from distant interests.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't get sidetracked by trivial interests. Now's the time to make long-range plans on security and home improvement projects. If you keep expenses down, the way is clear for happy times with close ties. Money could be an issue. Conserve.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Stick to one important task and finish it. Resist tendency to become involved in too many projects at once. Discriminate. A direct approach is best in dealing with children or romantic interests. Beating around the bush only complicates matters.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Catch up with unfinished tasks around the house. Interruptions from friends are likely. You'll function best in private. Business agreements are likely to be tricky. Hold off on signing papers. Be skeptical about half-baked ideas. Think before you act.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It's too soon to launch a new idea concerning funds. Meanwhile, financial matters seem complicated. Watch disagreements. Others seem downright contrary. You'll need tact and diplomacy to get through the week without a row. Don't insist on your own way.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You seem indecisive. Find out what's bothering you, so the pieces of the puzzle come together. Use time constructively. Utilize ingenuity on creative projects. Strain among close friends puts you in the mood for solitude. Try to relax.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Utilize ingenuity on creative projects. It's a good time for you to pay attention to fitness and health. Relax. Close ties are your best bet for satisfaction at this time when career complications are likely. Plan ahead now for summer vacations.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your mind's on distant places, yet the here and now afford great satisfaction. Don't let worry about the future make you discontented. Don't spend on nonessentials now. Local visits are favored over distant travel. Moodiness could spoil an otherwise good time.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Plans are subject to change. Partners expect extra attention yet may be edgy. Avoid arguments about expenses. Distractions interfere with work performance. Enjoy private satisfactions. Don't count on help from others at present.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Watch tendency to overdo partying. You could get overtired. Spend time alone to recoup energy before going out. Quiet times with friends are favored over large gatherings. Problems on the home front need attending to. Others may be moody.

IF BORN THIS WEEK, you are community minded and are often found in an administrative position. A born public servant, you may be attracted to law, government and politics.

Vision Teaser

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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This Week In History

On Feb. 15, 1898, the U.S. battleship, "Maine," blew up in Havana, killing 260 people ... Feb. 17, 1913, the N.Y. Armory Show brought modern art to the U.S. ... Feb. 14, 1929, the "St. Valentine's Day massacre" occurred in Chicago in which gangsters slaughtered seven rivals ... Feb. 12, 1955, the U.S. agreed to help train the South Vietnamese army ... Feb. 14, 1962, President Kennedy said that U.S. military advisers in Vietnam would fire if fired upon ... Feb. 18, 1970, a federal jury found the "Chicago 7" innocent of conspiring to incite riots during the 1968 Democratic National Convention ... Feb. 16, 1985, Israeli troops completed their withdrawal from the Sidon area of Lebanon, in the first phase of a long-awaited three-stage pullout.

CHANGING SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Answers to King Crossword

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Rough	Fairway	Eagle	Bunker
Pull shot	Gimme	Course	Birdie
Hazard	Dormy	Chip shot	Drive
Slice	Penalty	Hole in one	

Home hints

HELPFUL DICTIONARY — I work in an office and do quite a bit of typing. Each day, I look up a few words in my dictionary to be sure that I have spelled them correctly. After I find the right word in the dictionary, I then highlight it with a yellow pen. This way, if I need to look up the word again, the yellow color catches my eye and makes this chore a little easier. Ann T., Princeton, N.J.

POSTCARDS — Postcards are great for short letters, notices, reminders, requests for pamphlets and notes to public officials and congressmen. They don't cost as much as first-class mail and very often will serve the purpose better than a letter, which requires stationery and a 25-cent stamp. Leslie V., San Antonio, Texas

CHOCOLATE FRUIT — I had a get-together with some friends and I was trying to find some special treats for the party when I came up with this idea. I cut up all of the fresh fruit that I had on hand: oranges, apples, bananas, strawberries and even some grapefruit. Then I got my fondue pot out and melted chocolate in it. The guests dipped the fruit in the chocolate with toothpicks. It was the hit of the party! Dolores P., Hilo, Hawaii

Sports Quiz Answers

- Ron Darling (Texas Rangers)
- Frank Viola (Minnesota Twins)
- Bob Ojeda (Boston Red Sox)
- Dave Cone (Kansas City Royals)
- Boston, Texas, N.Y. Yankees, Seattle, California, Baltimore, Kansas City, Toronto
- Chris Evert
- Evonne Goolagong (1973-76)
- Tito Fuenteb and Jose Cardenal
- Ralph Houk
- Pittsburgh Pirates (1970-71-72-74-75-79)
- Philadelphia Phillies (1976-77-78)
- New York Mets (1973)
- Houston Astros and San Diego Padres
- Tony LaRussa (1983)
- Randy Jones

Trivia Test Answers

- Tacoma
- Illinois
- Iowa
- Minnesota
- Utica, N.Y.
- Pendleton Act
- Alf and Ralph Monroe
- Hans Christian Anderson
- The late Robert Alda, father of Alan Alda
- Elton John
- "My Fair Lady"
- Bonnie Tyler

Grandma's Kitchen



I remember it used to be the fashion to look down on our primitive ancestors. Then we found the caves with fine objects carved out of bone and walls decorated with animal pictures no one has bettered. As wonderful artifacts in flint and bronze and iron became known, they induced humility in all but the handiest handyman.

Now a professor of engineering science has discovered that the "primitives" who built stone circles in Great Britain 4,000 years ago must have been mathematicians of a high order: They apparently worked out the equipment of the first theorems of Euclid and Pythagoras, used measurements accurate to a fraction of an inch, designed perfect circles and ellipses. One is left with the conclusion that the reason they did not invent the automatic pepper grinder and the collapsible flagpole is that they saw no point in such things. Now lets get serious - how many of you out there have had Migraines? It used to be a way of life for me. I had a headache for so long I actually thought it was a way of life and that everybody else had them too. Migraines are a curse and generally untreatable. Yes, doctors do come up with remedies but rarely do they work for large numbers of people and even more rarely do they cure the problem.

One of the latest rages is "feverfew". It's an herb that has had some success with migraines, but don't bet the farm on it. Migraines are primarily caused by problems in the intestines and bladder. In almost every case the castor oil packs were prescribed, along with dietary changes. Dr Bill Mc Garey treated 101 cases with Castor Oil packs, each one of these gave excellent results in dealing with problems involving the lower level female organs, appendicitis, urinary track infections, headaches, post surgical care and hemorrhoids. If anyone wants to know more, theres a whole book on the Palma Christi, let me know and I'll tell you where to order it.

Time to get back to poultry, lets try this one.

- Chicken Croquettes**
 3 cups cooked chicken, ground or chopped very fine, both light and dark meat.
 1/4 cup melted butter
 1/4 cup chopped onion
 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
 1/2 cup milk
 1/2 cup warm water with 2Tbs of chicken bouillon dissolved.
 1/4 tea pepper
 1/4 tea celery salt
 1/4 tea thyme
 2 Tbs chopped parsley
 1 egg beaten
 1 Tbs lemon juice

1/4 tea grated lemon rind
 3/4 cup toasted, chopped pecans.
 Make a breading mixture with; 2 eggs beaten until lemon yellow, plus 2 Tbs cold water and 2 cups fine cracker crumbs.

Put the melted butter in a saucepan, add the onion and cook over low heat for 5 minutes. Stir in the flour and mix until all is smoothly blended. Add the warm water with bouillon and milk. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until the mixture has become thoroughly blended and thick. Remove from heat and add pepper, celery salt, thyme, and parsley. Stir a few spoonfuls of the mixture into the beaten egg, then add the egg to the mixture. Add lemon juice and rind and mix real well. Add the thick sauce and the pecans to the chicken and mix thoroughly. Press the mixture into a lightly buttered round cake pan, and place in the coldest part of the refrigerator for at least three hours.

When cold and firm, divide mixture into 6 equal pie-shaped wedges.

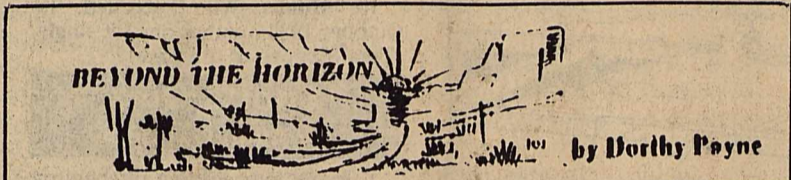
Remove each wedge, dip into the egg and water mixture and then into the crumbs. Press the crumbs into the surface and sides so that you don't lose too many in the frying process.

Fry in deep oil, until the croquettes are a delicious golden brown. Serve at once, serves 6. You can use a 10 ounce of cream of mushroom soup thoroughly heated but not diluted, as gravy over the croquettes. Served with creamed peas.

Note-These croquettes freeze beautifully. Place them in individual plastic bags after they've been breaded and freeze immediately.

Lets face it-not all of us are going to be famous, nor do we want to be, 99.9 percent of us will never make the Six-o-Clock news. It's silly to think that you have this big mission. Even if you do, you won't find it by thinking about it. You'll find it by "doing all the good things you feel motivated to do."

Have a safe and happy week.
 Special Love
 Grandma



One morning in Arizona territory just before dawn, Pima Indians attacked an Apache camp and burned out the camp. Only a few Apaches escaped, one was a six year old boy named Wassaja. He was taken home by a Pima warrior who fattened him up and took him to the white town of Florence. There the people laughed at the Pima who tried to sell the boy captive.

An Indian photographer named Carlos Gentile bought the boy, giving the warrior all the money he had which was thirty dollars. The traveling photographer took him along on his travels. His new master named the boy Carlos after himself and Montezuma for the famous ruler.

In barely two years the Indian boy was leading his class in Chicago. He became an expert in every subject. He had a paper route and went to church. No one knows why but Carlos Gentile boarded the boy with a Baptist minister and left the cattlemen.

With the ministers help Carlos the boy graduated from an eastern University cum laude in 1884, then he studied more and became a doctor. He worked for a short time for the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. Teddy Roosevelt heard about his

crusade to reform the Indian Bureau and called him to work in Washington as head of that very bureau.

He tried to help his fellow Apaches on the Reservation but they laughed at him and considered him weak for trying to help Apaches who had less than he. He went back to Chicago, practised medicine and wrote tracks about the plight of the Indians, and the white man laughed too. Meanwhile he had married a Hungarian woman named Maria.

He became sick and told his wife to stay in Chicago and collect their bills owed him and went back to the Apaches to die. There a missionary befriended him and sent for Maria but she couldn't help him and on Jan. 1923 he died of T.B.

The Masons gave him an impressive funeral. After he died the Apaches accepted him and he would go down in history as their prophet. By 1950 some of his reforms came true and the Apaches became self-supported cattlemen.

It was said, he was an Indian ahead of his time and that he was not just "beating the wind", he was "beating the heart."

So Dr. "Tom-tom, beating-the-wind," as the Apaches had called him earlier became "Dr. Tom-tom-beating-the-heart."

State Railroad Starts Up

RUSK-The steam-powered Texas State Railroad will again take 50-mile round trips between Rusk and Palestine when the spring season begins March 24, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials.

Last year the excursion trains were forced to make shorter trips after spring floods washed out sections of track. Repairs have been completed, and the trains will again be making the scenic 25-mile runs through the East Texas Pinewoods. Turn-of-the-century style depots provide the experience of times past as visitors climb aboard for the four-hour trip.

"Spring is an especially scenic time to ride the train," said Park Superintendent Curtis Pruett. "The dogwoods and other plants usually are blooming and the Pinewoods are beautiful." Pruett said moonlight trips will be an extra attraction during April and May.

The train makes weekend trips between depots until Memorial Day (May 28), when it starts running five days a week from Thursday through Monday. In the fall, it again operates on Saturday and Sunday only until closing for the winter in November.

A train departs from each depot at 11 a.m., stops for a lunch break at the opposite depot and then returns

to the departure point by 3 p.m. Moonlight runs will leave the Rusk depot at 6 p.m. Engine cab tours are offered before the 11 a.m. departure.

Reservations will be taken beginning Feb. 1, and prospective visitors in Texas can call toll-free 1-800-442-8951. Callers from out of state should dial (214) 683-2563. The office is open seven days a week between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

In addition to the train ride, picnicking, hiking, camping, playgrounds, concessions and souvenir shops are some of the facilities offered by the Texas State Railroad and Rusk/Palestine State Park. Both locations are adjacent to U.S. Highway 84. One is 2.5 miles west of downtown Rusk and the other is 3.2 miles east of Palestine.

Morse at it Again!

U.T. Arlington Nursing Scholar and 1989 Tigerette Sara Morse will challenge the 26.2 mile Cowtown Marathon Footrace at Fort Worth on February 24th. Matching stripes in the event with his 19 year old daughter will be 54 yr. old Fort. Clark Resident, Bill Morse, veteran of five marathons between '82 and '85. Can he still "cut the mustard"?

Chamber of Commerce Spotlight Review No., 13

With the beginning of the spring planting season approaching, it seemed like an ideal time to visit the Sunshine Garden Center for a Chamber of Commerce "Spotlight Review."

Sunshine Garden Center, located on Spring Street, across from the Civic Center, is owned by Archie and Jill Woodson. The friendly couple moved here from Houston, Texas in August of 1989. The Woodsons were looking to buy a small business, away from all the problems that surround a big city like Houston. After visiting Don and Linda Woodson, Archie and Jill were pleased to discover the Sunshine Garden Center for sale. Having both been life time lovers of horticulture, the Woodsons were excited about having the opportunity to operate a nursery. The Sunshine Garden Center is open from 9 a.m. to

5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For those Sunday gardeners, the nursery will be open from noon until 5 p.m. during the months of March, April, May and June. The Sunshine Garden Center has a wide variety of indoor and outdoor plants. They also have many beautiful gift plants. The Woodsons carry an extensive line of gardening aids which include fertilizers, tools, pottery and wicker baskets. They also make and sell their own compost.

Archie and Jill provide specialty services as well. They report plants with no labor charge and they do deliver in the immediate area. Archie and Jill will be happy to landscape your yard as well as prune your trees.

Sunshine Garden Center is a clean and interesting place to visit. Go by and pick up your spring planting supplies!

SWTJC News

"Community Colleges: Where Americans Go to College", the theme of this year's Community College Month is evident at Southwest Texas Junior College where 2,598 students are enrolled for the spring 1990 semester.

"The college provides many opportunities not only for the traditional student, but also for the non-traditional student," stated interim President Jerald Underwood. "We literally have something for everyone at SWTJC. We offer quality programs, including associate in arts and science degrees, plus career education and personal enrichment classes."

SWTJC not only offers a full range of academic transfer courses, but also offers twelve vocational/technical programs which may lead to immediate employment after completing one or two years.

The college also has an extensive Adult Basic Education program for adults who want to earn a high

school diploma, with many of them continuing in SWTJC's college programs.

In celebration of Community College Month, the college has several activities planned including PTK: Honors Week which featured studies of the PTK Honors Week topic, "Americas: Distant Neighbors Building Bridges" that featured a talk by State Senator Judith Zaffirini. In addition, the First Annual Transfer Career Day was held last Tuesday with sixteen colleges and universities on hand to provide information on transfer requirements.

The ninth annual Creative Arts Fair and Awards Ceremony is also scheduled for February 22 with Austin artist Reynaldo Gaytan as visual art judge and speaker.

For more information on Community College Month or SWTJC, call 278-4401 in Uvalde; 775-1612 in Del Rio; or 773-9238 in Eagle Pass.

195 lbs. Hammerhead





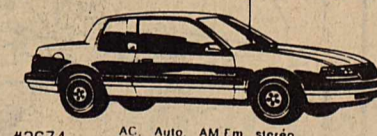
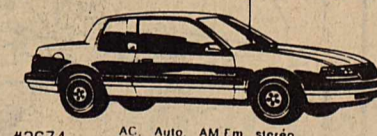


AUSTIN - A 195-pound scalloped hammerhead shark caught in the Padre Island surf during October has established a new species category in the state fish record book.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials said the eight-foot-

10-inch shark was caught by Lonnie Davis of Hico on Oct. 30.

Officials said there was no entry in the records for scalloped hammerhead. The record for great hammerhead is 871 pounds, and the state record smallmouth hammerhead weighed 151 pounds.

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