

## Desert Storm Launched

Brackettville, Fort Clark, Spofford, Kinney County, and Camp Wood, Texas

January 17, 1991

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

## I AM THE FLAG

By L.E. 'Jack' Driscoll

I'm a piece of cloth with colors three, And in the wind I wave so free, To stand for peace and liberty, Iam the flag.

I've seen the mountains and the glen, At Valley Forge the freezing men, And the Bunker Hill where it began, Iam the flag.

And on the deck while burning bright, I heard, "I've just begun to fight," While cannon crashed throughout the night, Iam the flag.

When the brothers shed their brother's blood, The nation split but there I stood, To ease the pain as best I could, Iam the flag.

To many lands I've had to go, I've seen the bodies in the snow, And touched those you will never know, Iam the flag.

I've waved from ships and tents and trees, In the hurricane and gentle breeze, And lain gently folded on a widow's knees.

Despite the wars in which I've flown, And the victories that my history's shown I stand quiet o'er one whose name's unknown, I am the flag.

Inever protest where I'm sent, I try to always represent, The spirit of my government, Iam the flag.

I've been cast aground and set on fire, Been spat upon in times of ire, But I've always hoisted that much higher, Iam the flag.

For God and country here I stand, For peace among my fellow men, I may fall but I will rise again, Iam the flag.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Sheriff Driscoll has graciously allowed us, The Brackett News, to share his copyrighted poem with our readers.

## Commissioners Open With Prayer For New Year

By LES ROPER

Brackett News Editor

COURTHOUSE--The Commissioners Court met in regular session Monday morning at 9 o'clock in the county courtroom.

County Judge, Tim Ward, requested that everyone stand while he led them in the pledge of allegiance. Tully Shahan, county attorney, led the court and the visitors in prayer.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established with the presence of Commissioners Joe Garza, Plunker Sheedy, Ruben Fuentes, and Alvin McClure.

County clerk, Dolores Raney, read the minutes from the last regular session and the special called meetings. When Judge Ward asked for an approval, Commissioner Sheedy asked for a clarification on the names of the low water crossings that were being repaired by the county. County attorney Shahan asked the clerk to please make note that the action taken by the commissioners court during the December 31 meeting when they appointed Bill Bizzell to the unexpired term of county constable was wrong. Shahan was very adamant when he told the court that the vacated commissioners position should have been filled before the court appointed a replacement for the constable's job.

The clerk noted the additions and the minutes were approved.

Judge Ward called for reports or comments from the various county offices starting with his office. A report from the County Clerk, Sheriff, Attorney, Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Assessor-Collector, Justice of the Peace, Road Supervisor, and Ambulance Administrator was made. Newly appointed constable, Bill Bizzell, was not present nor was the county

Sheriff Norman Hooten cautioned the court to prepare for a request for additional personnel for his office. After an an inspection by the state he teels as though it is going to be mandatory for him to separate the duties of his jailers and his dispatchers. One person will no longer be able to do both jobs.

Smith,

administrator, brought a very interesting report to the commissioners in regards to the ambulance service that is provided by the county.

A holiday schedule was established by the court for county employees starting with January 21, Martin Luther King day; February 18, President's Day; March 2, Texas Independence Day; March 29, Good Friday; May 27, Memorial Day; June 19, Emancipation Day; July 4, Independence Day; September 2, Labor Day; October 14, Columbus Day; November 5, Election day(Maybe); November 11, Veteran's Day; November 28 &29, Thanksgiving; December 24, Christmas Eve; December 25, Christmas; December 26, Christmas; and January 1, 1992, New Years Day.

The Court chose the First State Bank of Brackettville to handle their banking needs and services.

A salary grievance committee was selected and all county officials were placed on a salary basis.

The names of the Historical Commission were read by Judge Ward and Mrs. Agnes Vondy was selected by the commissioners to serve on the committee..

David Esparza, city manager, met with the court and a presentation of the new swimming pool was made. It was explained that the grant acquired by the city would not cover the entire expense of the new facility and a plea to the county to cooperate was made. It was decided to pursue the project further and take a look at the financial aspect after it had progressed a little further. A discussion on the landfill was opened and Esparza reminded

the court that the present dump could not last more than one to one and a half years more. The feasibility of a joint venture will be discussed at a later date.

The Judge and his court all agreed that they would attend the 33rd Annual Conference that would be held in College Station. It was noted that they would receive credit for attending this convention.

The budget was amended for the Sheriff's line items.

Lee Lawson presented a progress report on the low water crossings across the Nueces. He told the court

that Earl Baker was getting ready to pour concrete on the crossing he is now working on. Commissioner Sheedy expressed a concern over the amount of concrete being used on the

Commissioner Alvin McClure reported to the court that he had investigated the work that was necessary on the old front end loader and the estimate he received was \$1000 which would cover the cost of a cooling system. He reported that the cooling system was the only thing wrong with the old machine.

Commissioner McClure told the court that the roads in Spofford were in dire need of attention and he would like for the county to relieve this condition. Attorney Shahan reported that it is perfectly legal for county equipment to be used for city work. The commissioners voted to work

The bills on labor, materials, equipment rental that has been paid out of county funds and grant money on the Nutrition Center were reviewed by the court. The contracts let by the county were also reviewed. Bids on the remaining work on the Nutrition Center will be advertised

Commissioner Sheedy reported that he had inspected the back part of the building that is now serving as the J.P.'s office and it is in need of some minor work. After describing the work needed the commissioners voted to proceed with the improvements.

A resolution to prohibit hazardous and radioactive waste in the county was re-ratified.

Judge Ward explained to the court that a need for a dump that would serve 8 or 9 counties was becoming a necessity and possibly a reality in the near future. He continued by explaining the way it would function under the control of an Anti-Dump Commission that would monitor everything that was dumped. It was a very interesting presentation and it attracted the attention of the commissioners.

The use of the Civic Center two days a month by the State Health Department with Mrs. Dodson overseeing the project was approved. These two days would be devoted to

free testing, shots, etc. The court agreed to allow the commissioners use of a telephone and the services of a secretary through the county Judge's office.

The work load on the Janitor was reviewed. It was noted that he had a

heavy schedule. A discussion on the inventory list of County property that is now in the possession of the Department of Public Safety was entered into. Sheriff Norman Hooten indicated a need for the radar equipment that was not being used by the D.P.S. It was agreed that the Judge would investigate the county owned equipment and work a deal with the D.P.S. to have it transferred to the Sheriff's department.

Kay Smith, ambulance supervisor, was questioned on the reports and the billing of patients she transported to and from the hospital. She carefully explained the laws of picking up sick patients and transferring them. She explained to the court that she turned in a weekly report and notified the Judge's office of the charges.

Commissioner McClure presented a list dating back to 1985 of delinquent charges for ambulance service. He felt as though an attempt should be made to collect them.

Attorney Shahan suggested to the court that a more sophisticated billing system should be instigated. He feels as though it has been the fault of the county in not collecting these bills. Shahan continued by stating that regardless of the reason for not collecting a better system should help. It was agreed a special effort would be made to correct this

The final item on the agenda pertained to the installation of the storm warning system on Fort Clark Springs and Spofford. Judge Ward explained to the court that the system had been approved by the old commissioners but they had neglected to include it in their budget. Judge Ward and Shahan met with the Fort Clark Board of Directors and are now in the process of proceeding with the project. The legal obstacles and the research on the efficiency of the sirens is now being pursued and a solution to the lack of communication on the venture should be forth coming in the

## **\*\*\*\*** City Council Accepts Swimming Pool Plans Enter Race For Seat On Board Of Directors

#### Martin Luther King Day Observed By City

By LES ROPER Brackett News Editor

CITY HALL--Mayor Larry Moore called the monthly meeting to order Monday night as the city council convened in regular session. With Dave Broderick, Julie

Fuentes, and Richard Terrazas present a quorum was determined. The Mayor extended a welcome to

the visitors at the meeting and then called for the minutes. The minutes were reviewed by the council members present and

approved as read. A review of the city utility department financial and operational reports was made and they were

Mr. Ron Barbutti, Director of Architecture for Groves and Associates, Inc. presented the plans and blueprints on the new swimming pool that is now being planned. Mr. Barbutti's presentation was explicit and well presented. He established good contact with the council as he led them through the construction of the pool and what to expect upon its completion.

David Esparza, city manager, reported to the council that he had the contacted County Commissioners and after talking to them he felt comfortable they would assist the city in the event help is needed. He told the council that the Commissioners wanted a little more detail in regards to the dollars needed.

A motion was made to accept the plans for the swimming pool and after a second it passed.

A second motion was made to immediately post bids in the local newspaper for construction work on the pool. It was agreed to leave the bids in the paper and let them run for 15 days before a decision is made.

Richard Schafer and Tom Faulkenberry attended the meeting as representatives of the local Masonic Lodge. The city voted unanimously to declare the local Masonic Lodge building tax exempt.

The inter-local agreement with M.U.D. and the city over the sewer plant worked satisfactorily last year and according to David Tillery, it should work equally as well this year.

A motion was made to continue the agreement and it passed.

Mr. Louis Dimery, council member, requested the observation of Martin Luther King as a city holiday on the agenda and it passed unanimously.

The city manager notified the council that Blue Cross/Blue Shield would accept the employees of the city and give them the coverage they have been seeking. It was noted that the coverage would not be a group policy but individual policies. The Blue Cross representative told Mr. Esparza that individual coverage would work better for the employees. If one employee used his policy excessively it would not create a blanket increase for all of the holders. Mayor Moore cautioned Mr. Esparza on the importance of notifying all employees that only one insurance company would provide them coverage and that would be Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

The Mayor called for a ten minute break and then notified the visitors that the council would be going into executive session when it reconvened.

# Six Fort Clark Members



Jessie Herndon

**Ray Kurtz** 



**Rod Smith** 



**Billy Joe Walker** 



**Marge Love** 



**Andy Anderson** 

#### Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten

According to preliminary information received from the FBI, 63 city, county, state & federal law enforcement officers were killed due to criminal action during January thru December, 1990. Sixty-six were killed during the same period in 1989. During 1990 26 officers were slain in the southern states, 7 in the northeastern states, and 5 in Puerto Rico. Eleven officers were killed while attempting to apprehend robbery suspects, 4 were slain in drug-related situations, 1 while attempting to apprehend burglary suspects, and 14 while attempting arrests for other crimes. Eleven were slain upon responding to disturbance calls, 8 during traffic stops, 6 were ambushed, 5 while investigating condition. suspicious persons, 2 while handling mentally deranged persons, and 1 A crime that occurs far too while handling a prisoner. Handguns were used in 45 killings, rifles in 7,

authorities. . The Chicago Illinois police department has reported the death of a 28 year old police officer with over 4 years law enforcement experience. On January 7, 1991 at approx. 4:45 pm the victim officer and his partner, who was in the

and shotguns in 2. Three officers

were stabbed to death, 3 were killed

with blunt instruments, 2 by personal

weapons (hands, fists, feet), and 1

was struck by a motor vehicle. Fifty-

six of the 63 killings have been

cleared by law enforcement

driver's seat, were questioning suspect, 23, who had his hands handcuffed in front of him and seated in back seat of unmarked squad car. It is believed suspect had weapon hidden in boot. Both officers shot in back of head with small caliber weapon. Suspect took one of the officers' .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol and handcuff key, freed himself, and fled the scene. Suspect subsequently apprehended and charged with captial murder, possession of controlled substance, and escape. Murder weapon and the officer's weapon were recovered in possession of the suspect. The 28 year old police officer died at the scene, his wounded partner is hospitalized in critical but stable

regularly in our community is that of bicycle theft. We receive numerous reports of stolen bikes each year and though many of them are found abandoned later and are returned to their rightful owners, many are never seen again. We have "busted" several loosely organized "bicycle chop shops" here in the past whereby young thieves were stealing bikes and taking them apart and rebuilding bikes from the parts making it extremely difficult to identify individual stolen bikes. Though we have no evidence that such an operation is currently in effect, there has been an increase in bicycle thefts

Help us to help you by developing habits of safety and security regarding your bikes and those of your children. The large percentage of theft crimes are crimes of opportunity, if you are careless about your property and allow a thief the opportunity, it will eventually be taken from you. If you lower the opportunity for theft, you lower crime in our community. If you must leave your bike (or any other property) unattended, take steps to see that the property is as secure as you can make it. Might save you some money, and will surely lower the time, effort, and cost of our having to investigate your loss. We are here to serve you, but, as the old saying goes, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.'

As you may recall, the actions of the Commissioner's Court in appointing Bizzell constable were questioned as unconstitutional by County Attorney Tully Shahan on the day in question. He further advised the court that they would be acting improperly, if not illegally, in appointing one of their own as constable without first appointing and qualifying a successor to the vacated office of county commissioner, brought about by the accepted the resignation of then Constable Gregorio Juarez.

Several Attorney General Opinions and various case laws relating to the actions of commissioners courts in similar circumstances adequately back up the allegations made by County Attorney Shahan in his brief presented to District Judge George Thurmond on Monday, January 14, 1991. Based on the assumption of facts related to the resignation of Bizzell as county commissioner and subsequent immediate appointment of him as constable, Mr. Shahan feels confident that the appointment of Bizzell will be held null and void as it is illegal and unconstitutional for anyone to hold two elective offices in Texas at the same time. That issue must be settled in court, however, though no date for the hearing has been set as of the time of this writing. THAT'S ALL!

## Big Mama



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County

A class action suit on behalf of Kinney County and the State of Texas was filed against Bill Bizzell in District Court Tuesday, January 15, 1991 by County Attorney Tully Shahan. The suit alleges that the actions of the Commissioners Court in appointing Bizzell as constable to fill the vacancy in that office left by the resignation of Gregorio Juarez on December 31, 1990 was improper and in violation of articles in the Texas Constitution relating to vacancies and appointments in and to

resignation of Mr. Bizzell, which came immediately after the court

#### From the **Editor's Desk**

The Brackett News considers writing the Golf News on a weekly basis a privilege and an honor. We are most fortunate to have Dee Curry, a gifted and most talented writer, providing this service for us.

However, we would like to apologize for deleting the golf news from our paper for the past three weeks but we do not feel obligated to do so. Mrs. Curry has notified this office that she has failed to receive

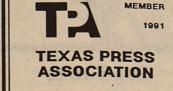
any results for quite some time. Mrs. Curry has also notified all of the associations that it is imperative that she receive the results from week to week. She cannot print results from the Ladies' Day, Men's Day, Couples', and other tournaments if she doesn't receive the results.

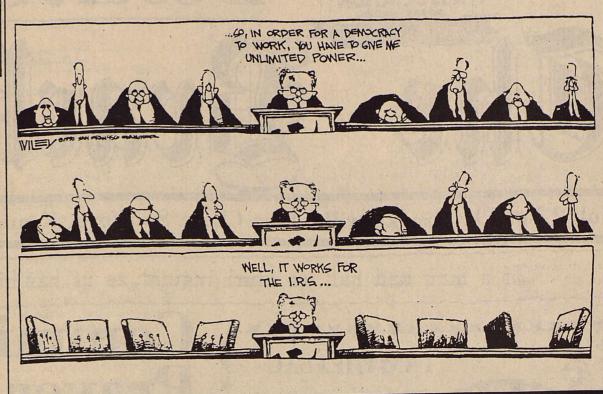
The News is sending a plea to some responsible golfer to assume the duty of making all game results available to Dee. She enjoys writing about her friends and we do not want to lose her. Won't someone please come to the rescue of the Golf News?

Our big loveable writer of the Grapevine is leaving us to further his education. He will be sorely missed by, not only his readers, but his friends here at The Brackett News as

Gus, we wish you well and we thank you for all of the happy moments you brought to us.

Remember, as you go through life in search of a pot of gold at the end of your rainbow, ... VAYA CON DIOS.







January 26, 1837 Michigan became the twenty-sixth state, and the thirteenth free state. About 175,000 immigrants, mostly from New York and New England, came when the Erie Canal was opened in

January 16, 1844 Secretary of State Abel Upshur asked the U.S. representative to the Republic to assure President Houston that there is <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>'s majority support in the Senate for an annexation treaty.

January 25, 1845, by a vote of 120 to 28, the House of Representatives voted to annex the Republic of Texas in a joint Resolution.

January 5, 1846, the House of Representatives passed a resolution to end the Anglo-American joint occupation of the Oregon Country, saying it is the right of our manifest destiny to spread over the whole

January 27, 1846 Captain John C. Fremont reached Monterey, in Mexican California, in another western expedition. It was suspected that he was under secret orders to prepare the Territory for acquisition.

January 13, 1847 At the close of the Mexican War Kearny & Stockton retook Los Angeles. The Treaty of Cahuenga was signed giving

generous terms to the defeated Mexicans and was signed in the San Fernando Valley with Captain Fremont representing the United States and Andres Pico, of Mexico.

January 24, 1848 Gold was discovered at Sutter's Creek, a branch of the American River in the lower Sacramento Valley.

January 31, 1848 John C. Fremont was court-martialed for his conduct in California. President Polke approved the sentence, but cancelled the penalty and restored Fremont to duty but Fremont resigned his commission.

#### Winner



#### **Bernie Cervantes**

Brackett News Reporter

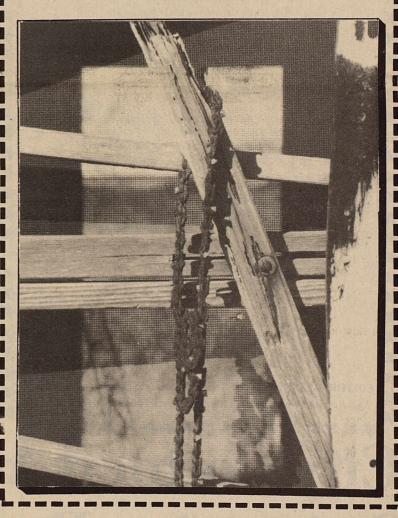
Winner of the Brackett News cap for correctly identifying the picture in last week's newspaper was Bernie Cervantes. Bernie is a local building contractor who has identified two of our pictures in the past but always just a little late. When he walked in the office this week he flashed his famous smile and said, "Don't tell me I'm too late again."

He was not too late in identifying the picture as the bridge across the Las Moras draw.

Congratulations, Bernie, and may your Brackett News cap bring you

#### **Identify** The Picture

The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will be given a Brackett



## Letter To The Editor

Among the thousands of people who will remember Ben "Doc" Murray, the Dimmit County sheriff in Carrizo Springs who was brutally murdered by two men from Carrizo Springs, according to news media, I take this means of informing your readership that Doc Murray was a man who stood tall, lying his life on the line countless times, as do all law enforcement officers.

I lived in and raised my two sons in Carrizo Springs 24 years. Doc Murray was a lawman dearly loved by so many citizens, both as a respected citizen and as a dedicated

When I spoke with Doc during the Christmas holidays, we laughed over an incident that happened about 20 years ago. I and two more mothers decided, in view of the fact of the La Raza movement in Crystal City and the talk of drugs running rampant and the common problem of teenage drinking, that we would give our teenage sons and this problem

My friends and I talked with Doc, saying in essence, "Doc, if you ever see my son or sons drinking or being closely associated with anyone using drugs, bring them home to me. Doc's smiling eyes got a twinkle, he grinned and agreed to do so. We also told him, "We're going to tell our sons just what we have told you,

"I don't think any of you has a problem, but I'll keep that in mind, ladies!" Doc replied. Doc had not forgotten the incident.

Both of my sons today are feeling the unfairness and the brutality of such an act, along with thousands of others. Doc Murray stooped low for a handshake with the youngsters . . and he lent a helping hand to many Dimmit County teenagers. He has been a father figure and has helped more than one youngster to turn his life around.

I have written a Letter to the Editor in Carrizo Springs with the suggestion that somesone needs to spearhead a movement to build a monument, so that all the criminals and murderers in our world will know that Doc Murray STOOD FOR SOMETHING . . . AND THAT WHAT HE STOOD FOR SHOULD NOT SOON BE FORGOTTEN!

Any of you readers who would like to join such a movement, may write to me at the address given below. If we do not build a monument for Doc, we could possible compile a scrapbook and make a video of his friends telling what Doc has meant to them and keep this on file at the Sheriff's office . . . to make our voice known in deep appreciation to Doc Murray, who spent the greater part of his life being a lawman and a father figure to so many. Our prayers, thoughts and sympathies go out to his family members in their time of

> Sincerely, Lou Thomas, Box 13 A Vance Rt. Barksdale, Texas 78828

Our prayers go out to our troops in the Middle East.











## Scoring Machine Shut Down

Brackett News Reporter

TIGER GYM--Coach Ken Campbell's Tigers looked as if they had spent the day in a walk-in freezer after taking the floor against the Lackland Eagles in a 29-AA district basketball game. The boys from Brackett, who have made a name for themselves with their run and shoot offense, went completely flat this past Friday night and their cold shooting fit right in to their opponents' game plan as they fell to the Eagles 72-53.

The Tigers hit the floor running with the taller Eagles and matched them shot for shot while scoring 14 points. The Lackland boys edged ahead by 4 as the first quarter ended 18-14. From there on the icicles started forming and the Tigers couldn't find the basket. The Eagles held them to just 11 points while they hit from all over the court for a total of 21 points, with 6 of their points coming on 3 point plays.

The half ended with the Tigers trailing the big boys from San Antonio by the score of 39-25.

Brackett outscored the Eagles by 1 point in the third quarter but it did not help close the gap. It was obvious the Tiger scoring machine had been shut down by the end of the third quarter as their two big point makers, Tevin Senne and Clay Hunt, had just scored 6 points each.

W.T. Hunt, the other half of the Hunt scoring machine, found the range and hit for 21 points but his solo effort just wasn't enough. The Eagles, led by Scott Beaudry with 21 points, and followed by Jeremy Gatewood with 12 and Thomas

Gardner with 11 proved to be too much for the Tigers. The Eagles defense held Brackett's top scorers, Tevin Senne, Lesly Floyd, and Clay Hunt to single figures.

The Tigers had been galloping through the season shooting 55% from the four line and 40% from the field. Tonight they hit 22% from the field and 33% from the line as they were held to a slow trot.

The Lackland team did not bring their Junior Varsity team with them so that game had to be cancelled.

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## Tigerettes Snare Lady Wolves

First District Win

Brackett News Sports

DILLEY--Tiny Tigerette, Theresa Terrazas, led her teammates to victory Tuesday night against the Lady Wolves of Dilley with a dazzling display of basketball wizardry seldom seen at the high school level. The petite little sophomore scored 10 field goals with five of them 3 pointers for a total of 25 points as she led her team to victory 51-34. Wendy McDaniel continued rebounding at a record pace and contributed 12 points of her own toward the

Tigerette victory. The Brackett girls' fast break and superior ball handling was just too much for the Dilley Ladies.

The first quarter of play had all of the earmarkings of a blowout by the Lady Wolves. They outscored the Tigerettes 14 to 6. Coach Greg Nowlin's "Frisky Females" overcame their complacency and scored 7 points in the second quarter while holding their opponents to 2 points. The half ended with the Lady Wolves leading 16-13.

The second half started out pretty much the same as the two teams traded shots, with the Dilley girls holding the edge. After three quarters of play the game was tied 25-

Coach Nowlin huddled his girls together and, though no one heard what he said, it must have been a "doozie." You would think he offered to buy each of his wards a new red Jaguar convertible if they played the last quarter well. Play well, they did!!

The Tigerettes brought the crowd

DILLEY--When the Brackett

Tigers travel to Dilley and play the

Wolves, whether it be football,

basketball, track, baseball, or

whatever, fans can be assured of a

knockem-sockem good contest. The

faithful supporters who made the trip

to the Wolves' gym Tuesday were

certainly not disappointed as the

Tigers captured their first district

Just two Tiger players, Tevin

Senne and W.T. Hunt, scored in

double figures but the defensive

game was good enough to shut the

big guns from Lytle down. Clay

Hunt, the Tiger play maker who is

known for his shooting accuracy, was

the first quarter to the Tigers 10. It

The Wolves racked up 16 points in

Brackett News Sports

win of the season 47-44.

held to 4 points.

to their feet as they hit the floor running and shooting. They forced the game throughout the fourth quarter causing the wheels to come off the Dilley scoring machine. Theresa, gaining confidence with every basket, hit for 20 of her points in the final quarter and when the whistle blew marking the end of the game it appeared as if the little "Mitey Mite" was just getting warmed up. The game ended with the Tigerettes claiming their 4th district game and moving to 4-1 in district play.

was an uncharacteristic slow start for

the young Tigers as they are usually

known for their runaway tactics early

in a game. With the second quarter

equally slow the half ended with the

The half got underway with the

Tigers playing a much better game of

ball control. They held the bigger

Wolves to just 6 points in the third

quarter while cranking up for 12 big

points as they began to find the range

on the basket. The Tigers surged

ahead by the end of the third quarter

and began to show the grit and

determination that has won the

contest between both teams with the

Brackett boys winning the battle and

The boys are now 12-6 overall and

hearts of their supporters.

The fourth quarter was a

the game by a score of 47-44.

1-3 in district play.

Wolves leading the Tigers 25-21.





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#### Voluntary Drug Testing

BISD--The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees gave tentative approval for a Drug Testing Program to be implemented at the Brackett Independent School District for the 1991-92 school year. Administration was given instructions to develop specific guidelines for the voluntary program and present it to the Board at a later

#### School Board Meeting

BISD--The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees agreed to meet Monday, January 21, 1991, during a special meeting to discuss plans for additional classrooms. It was brought to the Board's attention by Mr. McCall and Mr. Mills about possible classroom needs for the 1991-92 school year. Projections for the 1991-92 school year for Jones Elementary include three sections of grades Kindergarten through second grade.

#### **Board Grants** Tax Exemption

BISD--During the regular meeting of the Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees on Monday, January 14, 1991, Mr. Bruce Clements addressed the Board on behalf of the Las Moras Masonic Lodge. It was explained to the Board that extensive research had been completed by the Masons which

showed the building currently owned by the organization originally built in 1879 as the first courthouse of Kinney County. The site was recently recognized by the State of Texas as a historical site.

The Board of Trustees unanimously agreed to exempt the Las Moras Masonic Lodge from school property taxes. The exemption was approved due to two circumstances; 1) the building is designated as a Texas Historical Site, and 2) the Las Moras Masonic Lodge functions as a eleemosynary institution that donates all proceeds to charitable works.

#### Concern over lack of discipline...

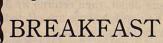
BISD SCHOOL BOARD--Several school board members expressed concern over student discipline in the secondary grades. Mr. Sims, high school principal, explained the discipline management plan to board members. The concern of the board was that the dress code and hair policy needed to be enforced. Also, student tardies needed to be eliminated. Mr. Sims will present proposed changes in the discipline management plan at the January 21, 1991 special board

It was noted during the discussion by Bob McCall, superintendent, "We are fortunate to have the kind of students and school where we can afford to worry about hair length and tardies. Ideally, we want students to dress as if they were going to work. Tardies and absences are a concern because employees won't tolerate absenteeism in the work place.' McCall also noted that the persistent problems remained with a very small percentage of students.

## **School Menu**

Terrazas

Ties Record



Brackett News Sports

DILLEY--There is an old adage

that says records are made to be

broken. Tuesday night in Dilley, as

the Tigerettes engaged the Lady

Wolves in a highschool basketball

game, Theresa Terrazas didn't quite

break a scoring record for 3 point

plays but she did tie one that had been

established by Sheri White a few

years back. She scored 15 points via

the 3 point route to tie the record and

etch her name in the Brackett

Sports history book for all time.

MONDAY Dry Cereal - Toast Fruit-Juice-Milk TUESDAY Muffins-Juice Fruit-Milk WEDNESDAY Peanut Butter Toast Fruit-Juice-Milk THURSDAY Pancakes Honey/Syrup Fruit-Juice FRIDAY Sweet Rolls - Juice

Milk

LUNCH

The little point guard scored only

one field goal in the second quarter of

play and a 3 point field goal in the

third quarter. Her scoring acrobatics

took place in the final quarter as she

dropped the ball in the basket for four

3 point plays and four 2 point field

goals, scoring a total of 25 points for

more years of eligibility and at the

pace she is now setting she is a sure

bet for all-district honors before her

career in high school sports is over.

Maybe, higher ... who knows?

Theresa is a sophomore with two

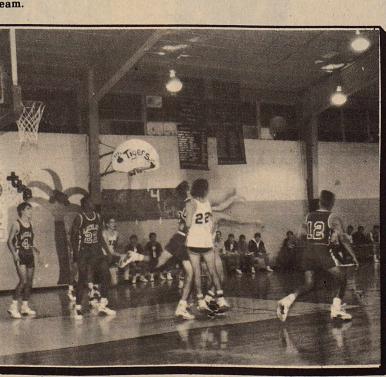
MONDAY Salisbury Steak Whipped Potatoes Seasoned Veg. - Roll - Milk TUESDAY Corn Dog - Vegetarian Beans Fruit - Peanut butter cookie - milk WEDNESDAY Hamburgers - Burger Salad French Fries - Pudding - Milk THURSDAY Tacos-Taco Salad Spanish Rice - Pinto beans Milk FRIDAY

Rotini W/meat

Seasoned Veg. - Fruit - Roll - Milk



Tevin Senne and W.T. Hunt go high for rebound against taller Lackland



Tevin Senne outnumbered by Lackland Players-Eagles dominated board to defeat Tigers.

#### **Teachers Are Served**

Brackett News Contributing Writer BISD--The Brackett I.S.D.

administrators cooked breakfast for all the Brackett I.S.D. teachers and staff Thursday, January 17. Thursday was work day on the school calendar where students were not in attendance. Teachers were in

attendance all Thursday to complete semester work.

The administrators furnished and cooked ham and pancakes for the staff. It was served in the school cafeteria. The breakfast was a way of saying "thank you" to the teachers and staff for a job well-done.

#### Grandma's Kitchen

By Grandma

Let's see, where were we? Oh, on the subject of herbs. One of my favorites. I need to finish telling you about them, while antibodies or clot dissolving drugs can be appropriate in acute situations, drugs taken for long periods of time seldom cure anything. They may suppress symptoms, but always at a cost to the rest of the body. Why are they prescribed for months, even years? Because modern medicine knows no other path. When your only tool is a hammer you treat everything as if it were a nail. The one alternative to restoring your body to health is the use of herbs, and remember, it's not easy to change, and it (the feeling good) won't happen overnight.

Over the centuries, mankind has developed an endless list of herbal remedies which help remove the cause of the problem or supply the body with elements needed to restore its natural balance. However, there are some cautions. If it were as simple as finding the right herb, few mainland Chinese would ever be sick. While certain herbs, like certain prescription drugs, are effective for specific problems, herbs should be considered as just one tool in the

healing process. Chiropractic or osteopathic spinal adjustments, diet, exercise, eliminations, and a positive attitude are, at times, very essential to restoring good health. You must remember, herbs don't act the same on everyone. Every one is different. What works for you might not work for me. One friend takes camomile tea to soothe her jangled nerves. It works for her, but does nothing for her husband. Reminds me of Jack Sprat and his wife, the basic premise is that anything that can do good can also do harm. Herbs should not be seen as harmless.

Socrates drank hemlock tea and joined the great philosophers in the sky. What you need to do is experiment (No, not with hemlock) to determine what works best for you. It's a slow process. It also helps to read some good books to get distilled wisdom. It's taken me nearly 5 years and I'm still learning, every day.

Time to turn my thoughts to the kitchen, here's a couple recipes that won prizes, a few years ago.

COLDOVENPOUNDCAKE 2 sticks butter or margarine ½ cup crisco - 2 cups sugar

5 large eggs - 3 cups cake flour 1/2 tea salt - 1/2 tea baking powder 1 cup milk - 11/2 tea vanilla

2 TBS lemon extract Cream butter (or margarine), crisco and sugar well. Continue creaming and slowly add eggs (beaten together well). Sift flour and add salt and baking powder. Mix well. Add dry ingredients alternately with milk to the creamed mixture. Begin and end with the flour. Add both extracts and blend well. Pour into a well greased and floured large tube pan. Place in a cake oven on the lower rack. Turn oven on at 325 degrees and bake for one hour and fifteen minutes. Do Not Open Oven

If you like lemons, as I do, you'll love this winner:

LEMON BARS 2 cups flour

½ cup confectioners sugar 4 eggs - 1 cup butter or margarine 2 cups sugar - 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice

1/4 cup flour 1/2 tea baking powder Mix 2 cups flour and confectioners sugar, cut in butter (or margarine)

until mixture resembles fine crumbs.

Bake in a pre-heated oven at 350 degrees for 20 minutes, while crust is baking, beat eggs until foamy. Gradually beat in the 2 cups sugar and lemon juice until smooth and fluffy. (Note: Real lemon may be substituted for lemon juice). Sift 1/4 cup flour with baking powder and stir into egg mixture. Pour over baked crust and bake an additional 25 minutes. Sprinkle top with additional confectioners sugar, cool and cut into Did you know that one serving of

Press into bottom of a 13x9 in. pan.

cooked spinach has only about 20 calories but provides the average adult with 100 percent of the vitamin A that he needs daily. When washing utensils that are

dirty or smelly (this goes for clothes too) add a few tablespoons of white vinegar to the wash water. It will cut grease and remove the odor.

My though for this week is - Live each day so you are neither afraid of tomorrow, nor ashamed of yesterday.

Have a safe week--Big hugs and Special love Grandma

#### Library Notes

this project thus far.

which could be offered to the citizens

of Kinney County and their visitors

by providing proper facilities for

valuable historical documents.

Additionally, it would provide a quiet

work room for those wishing to do

research. Well, with the recent gloomy weather, we were again so

glad we have our new lighting. One

patron said she remembered when

you had to bring your own flashlight

if it was a cloudy day. We've come

far, but our journey is not ended. We

now have Juarassic Park on the best

seller list in our Library. Call and



Beyond The Horizon By Dorthy Payne

Jim Bridger, grizzled and illiterate was nevertheless a real mountain man. He knew the country from Idaho to New Mexico. He was born in Richmond, Virgina on March 17, 1804, was an orphan at thirteen. In 1882 he answered an ad in a newspaper for trappers along the Missouri. Over the next twenty years Bridger trapped and roamed all over

the west In 1824 he discovered the Great Salt Lake and later explored the Yellowstone Region. Their wonders were hard to believe and although Bridger embellished them a little they were true.

When the demand for beaver hats slowed up, it ruined the fur business. Bridger established Fort Bridger in Wyoming, which became a way station on the Oregon Trail.

At Fort Bridger he was sought by travelers because of his hospitality, story-telling and knowledge of the surrounding area.

He ws hired to lead Johnston's expedition against the Mormons after the Mormons drove him from Fort Bridger in 1853.

So he quit being a government scout to lead the expedition against the Mormons in 1857-8

When Bridger finally retired in 1868 he had led a full life of adventure and guiding scores of exploring parties. At the time of his retirement he had three Indian wives and four

Bridger was known as the "Daniel Boone of the Rockies," and in his life time explored the mountainous areas of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah and the Dakotas.

Until his stories were verified they were known as "Jim Bridgers lies," but they all proved to be true.

He was truly, "a legend in his own time." Bridger died near Kansas City in 1881.

#### Bridge Anvone

On Tuesday, January 8, five and one half tables were in play at Duplicate in Fort Clark's Sabre Room, using Mitchell movement. At North-South, Fred and Nita Clayton

had high score, with Mollie Schroeder and Carol Benfield in second place. At East-West there was a tie with Tina Bauguess and



Helen Lynch being tied with Ruth

Wilks and Mary Butler. Sunday, January 13, found six

tables playing Mitchell. At North South Mac and Marie McCandles had the top score. Close behind were Rozetta and Ben Pingenot. Carl and Queenie Mumma had the top score at East-West. Anita Korbel and Norma Gould were runners-up.

### Grapevine \_\_\_

by Gus Garcia

Hey, folks, it's been great weather we have been having!

Things have been so busy for me lately that I haven't had time to do anything, and I am sorry that I don't have much to report on our great

I have some bad news, after two years with working with The Brackett News, I have to step down from my job. Due to my busy school schedule I must practically give up everything I have my hands into. I will not live in Brackettville anymore, I am moving to a far place, very far ... Del Rio, yes, I am finally leaving home for the pursuit of furthering my education. I do regret having to give up my job

here. It was very wonderful to have worked with such beautiful, kind and loving people. They will always be in my memories, and so will you, the

I was employed for The Brackett News during the second week of its infancy and have stuck by it strongly and proudly.

I would like to thank Jewel Robinson for giving me the opportunity to work for her. To the rest of the gang, I say thank you and

Keep in mind all the fun times and pray for peace.

## Can You Design?

By MARJORIE LOVE Brackett News Contributing Writer

FORT CLARK--We're having a fashion show February 21st at the Town Hall and we need your costume or dress, designed and constructed by you alone or as a group. We want twenty, total, to show, and the theme will be "The most Unlikely Fashions." You will also furnish your model to show your finished work of art. We want everyone to enter, and we will have a showing at the Town Hall February

on February 21st. These very special dresses or on the slate.

18th and 19th 6 to 9 p.m. with our

judges who will select the best

twenty to be shown to our audience

costumes must be made out of special material i.e.; Plastic bags, and/or tabloids, newpapers, string, card, tape, paste, glue, staples pins or any garbage items.

You cannot use any commercial materials or cloth, buttons, ribbons, bows, beads, jewelry, etc. designed for decoration. NO PAINTS!

You may sew, paste, glue, crimp, bend, fold, crease, cut.

Can it be done? Many top designers are doing just that, and their designs are attractive. So come join in the fun. Start now. Present your original design.

No age limit. All welcome. You must phone Marjorie Love, 563-9543 ATTENTION! We do have rules. to register your name and place you

Your book donations to the Desert reserve the book for yourself. We Shield Read project has enabled the wish, again, to remind everyone of library to send to date three boxes of the upcoming Friends Of The Librarbooks to our troops in Saudi Arabia. y meeting to be held in the library on January 15 at 7:00 PM. This meeting We have had donations for postage will have as its purpose the electing of from the Lions Club and from Jewel officers for the upcoming year. Robinson. The library has received Remember, if you are not sure if you word from one service man that the books have been received and were wish to serve in some capacity, better be present. If you wish to serve, it is most welcomed. They are going to an important that the Nominating army tank unit just a short distance Committee is made aware, give them from the Kuwait border. Thanks to all of those who have contributed to a call. We wish to thank Mr. Robert Young for his assistance to us with new computer software. He is We received word of a grant possibility for the expansion of the assisting in getting our computer programs more user friendly so that Library and are very hopeful that this project will become a reality. It would our volunteer can continue to assist add a new dimension to the services us in updating our card catalogues

and book inventory If you haven't been to the library recently, we invite you to come in, see the changes and just visit. There are many who join us daily just to read the newspapers, look at the latest magazines, or just shop for an interesting looking book. Come on

friendliest, warmest little library in Kinney County! Kinney County

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Mrs. Scott Wardlaw

#### **Hooten And Wardlaw Exchange Vows**

SAN ANGELO-Ginger Renee Hooten of San Antonio and Scott Warren Wardlaw of Oxnard. California, were married December 24, 1990 at St. Luke United Methodist Church in San Angelo, Texas, with Rev. Larry Altman

officiating. Parents of the bride are Joyce Fuentes of Brackettville, Texas and Lamar Shamblin of Baytown, Texas. The bride was given in marriage by her stepfather Ruben M. Fuentes.

Serving as matron of honor was Deborah Dodds of Lockney. Best man was Jonathon Wardlaw,

brother of the groom.

Ushers were Mitchell Whitney of

Richardson and Steven Wardlaw, brother of the groom.

Mrs. Wardlaw is a graduate of Brackett High School in Brackettville, Texas and received a bachelor's degree from San Angelo State University. She is presently employed in San Antonio as a financial aid officer with a technical institution.

Her husband is a graduate of San Angelo Central High School and is presently serving in the United States Navy as an air traffic controller.

The couple will reside in Oxnard Beach, California after a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe.

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#### Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar; Rev. Bill Koons - 563-2071.

St. John Baptist Church: West Crockett St., Sudnay School 10:00 A.M., Sunday morning worship 11:00 A.M., Wed. prayer & Bible study 7:00 P.M. Rev. Walter A. Johnson, Pastor 563-9551.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church(: Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening service 6:00 P.M. Joe Townsend, Pastor 563-2158.

First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann Street. Sunday School 9:45 A.M., Worship service (Sun) 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., Worship Service (Wed) 7:00 P.M. Rev. Preston A. Taylor 563-2245. Church of Christ: Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study (Sun) 6:30 P.M., Bible Study (Wed) 7:00 P.M.

Community Church: Corner of El Paso and Gove Streets. Sunday, Praise and Worship Service 10:45 A.M., Wednesday, Prayer Service 7:00 P.M., Charles Belknap, Pastor.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Mon. & Fri. 7:00 A.M., Wed. and Sat. 6:30 P.M., Sun. (Spanish) 8:00 A.M. reg. 10:30 A.M. Confessions Wed. and Sat. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wed. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Sun. 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wed. 7:00 P.M. Father David G.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Morning Fellowship 9:30 A.M., Church School Classes 9:45 A.M., Service of Worship 11:00 A.M., Choir Rehearsal Wed. 5:00 P.M.

## St. Mary | Gwartney

As always, come visit the By DORTHY PAYNE Brackett News Staff Writer

> ST. MARY MAGDALENE--Father Jim Schellenberg will celebrate the Mass on January 20, in Father David's absence. Father David will spend three days visiting his family in Guadalajara and next week on the annual retreat for all priests in the San Antonio

## Magdalene Graduates

ALPINE--Kristy G. Gwartney of acksonville was among 130 graduates who received degrees and certificates from Sul Ross University on Dec. 22, 1990. She was formerly from Brackettville and a graduate of Brackett High School in 1986. Kristy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Gwartney of Jacksonville.

She earned a bachelor of science degree in Animal Health Management.

### **SWTJC Preparing** For Spring Classes

Brackett News Contributing Writer

UVALDE--Following registration at the Eagle Pass and Del Rio Centers, officials at Southwest Texas Junior College are preparing for registration on the main campus in

Most students who will be entering SWTJC for the first time must complete a basic skills assessment in reading, writing and mathematics. The test will be administered until January 25. Monday through Friday, at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily in the Developmental Studies offices located in the Sterling H. Fly Sr. Memorial Building.

Off-campus registration will be held Monday, January 21 at Nueces Canyon High School and Pearsall High School. All off-campus registrations will begin at 6:00 p.m. For more information call 278-

4401 in Uvalde; 773-9238 in Eagle Pass; 775-1612 in Del Rio; 374-5531 in Crystal City (Monday and Friday).

## All Aboard

Brackett News Contributing Writer

RUSK--Reservations for the steam-powered Texas State Railroad will be taken beginning Feb. 1. The spring season begins March 23 with weekend runs.

Texans can call 1-800-442-8951, while out-of-state callers must dial (903) 683-2561. Reservations will be taken from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. Reservations also can be made in person or by mail to Texas State Railroad, P.O. Box 39, Rusk,

Vintage engines pull the restored, 19th Century train along a 50-mile round trip between Rusk and Palestine through the East Texas Pineywoods. Turn-of-the-century style depots provide the experience of times past at each end of the line where visitors climb aboard for the four-hour trip.

The train makes weekend trips until Memorial Day, then it begins running five days a week - Thursday

through Monday. In the fall, it again operates on weekends until it closes for winter in November. A train departs from each depot at

11 a.m., stops for lunch at the opposite depot, then returns by 3 p.m. Engine cab tours are offered before the 11 a.m. departure. The railroad originated in 1896

when the state prison system began construction on the track as part of a plan to support the state's ironworks at Rusk with rail transport to Palestine.

Advance reservations are recommended during the spring when the old steamers are completely booked on weekends.

In addition to the train with its concessions and souvenir shops, the Rusk-Palestine State Park is located near each depot and offers picnicking, hiking, camping and playground facilities. Both locations are adjacent to U.S. Highway 84, one is 21/2 miles west of downtown Rusk, the other 3.2 miles east of Palestine.

#### Fishing Report

AMISTAD--Water clear, 64 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass are fair to 6 pounds on dark worms in 30 feet of water around dropoffs; striper are fair to 20 pounds on roadrunners; crappie are slow; white bass are good in Zorro and Caballo Canyons on 1 ounce white slabs; catfish are good in 90 feet of water in baited holes on cheese baits.

BRAUNIG--Water clear, 55 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair in numbers on cranks; striper are good in the 6-8 pound range on nightcrawlers and chicken livers; redfish are good to 10 pounds on cranks and Rat-L-Traps.

CALAVERAS--Water clear, 56 degrees, 8 inches above normal level; black bass are fair to 7 pound on plastic worms; striper are good to excellent to 5 pounds on chicken liver; crappie are slow; catfish are good on shrimp and liver in the 11/2 to 3½ pound range; redfish are slow; corvina are slow to 10 pounds on a silver spoon.

CHOKE--Water clear, 51 degrees, 13 feet low; black bass are slow; striper and white bass are slow; crappie are fair on minnows in 25-35 feet of water; catfish are fair on rod and reel in 25-35 feet of water on cheese and blood baits ; trotline and jug lines are producing catfish to 40 pounds on cut bait and live bait.

COLETO CREEK--Water clear, 1 foot low; black bass are fair on spinners and topwaters early in Turkey Creek, Coleto Creek just above keeper size; striper are good to 7 pound on shrimp and spoons; crappie are poor; catfish are good in the 2-3 pound range on cheese baits.

CORPUS CHRISTI--Water clear, 54 degrees, 4 feet low; black bass are slow; striper are slow; few fishermen on the lake due to north winds and rain; a few crappie and white bass have been hitting minnows from the state park piers; blue catfish are fair to 8 pounds on shad along with pan sized channel catfish at the state park; limits of ducks and geese over

FALCON--Water clear, 59 degrees, 8 feet low; fishing has been fairly slow due to poor weather and lack of fishermen.

MEDINA--Water clear, 39 feet low; black bass are slow; catfish are good to 8 pounds on dough bait and nightcrawlers; fishing pressure is very light.

TEXANA--Water murky over most of lake, almost clear in the jungle area, 58 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 3 pounds in the jungle area on dark worms; crappie are slow; catfish are slow in the 2-10 pound range on cut bait.

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### County Agent News

by Allan L. McWilliams Kinney County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show Schedule:

Friday, January 18, 1991 8:00-12:00 noon--All animals weigh in. Note: Scales will close at 12:00

2:00 p.m.--Rabbit Show & judging Saturday, January 19, 1991 8:00 a.m.--Lamb Show-finewools &

Immediately following lambs, pigs wil be shown. Immediately following pigs,

breeding animals will be shown. 12:00 noon--Everyone is invited to enjoy a barbeque brisket meal. 1:00 p.m.--Presentation of stock show awards. 1:30 p.m.--Auction Sale.

All Kinney County residents are invited to come out and look at the 4-H & FFA member's livestock projects. The livestock show will be held in the county Civic Center. This year, there are 123 market lambs, 25 pigs, 6 pens of rabbits, 21 commercial finewool ewes and 27 angora goats entered in the show. There are 63 exhibitors participating in the show.

#### **Internal Parasites Rancher Meeting**

On February 5, 1991, there will be an internal parasites rancher meeting on the Dan Davis ranch east of Brackettville. Ranchers from Kinney and Uvalde counties may attend a very informative program on internal parasite control. A barbeque meal will be provided by the Hoechst-Roussel Agri-Vet Company. All county ranchers should be receiving

#### **Home Gardening** Program!

On February 18, 1991, we will have Dr. Jerry Parsons, horticulture specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, in Brackettville for a home gardening program. Dr. Parsons will address topics concerning home gardens, fruit tree care, variety selections and other concerns of area homeowners. Watch this column for specific time and place for the meeting. Brackettville residents will have an excellent opportunity to visit with Dr. Parsons about questions they may have about their landscapes. You may have seen Dr. Parsons on the "Weekend Gardener" show on KENS-TV in San Antonio. He provides an interesting program for homeowners.

#### Kinney County 4-H'ers Participating in Out-of-Town Stock Shows!

Kinney County 4-H members will be traveling to Fort Worth on January 28--February 1, 1991 to attend the Southwestern Livestock Exposition and Fat Stock Show. Other shows county 4-H'ers will be participating in include El Paso Stock Show on February 1-5, San Antonio Stock Show on February 9-15, Houston Stock Show on February 25--March 2 and San Angelo Stock Show on March 4-9, 1991. A total of 20 4-H members will be representing this county at all major junior livestock shows in Texas this year. We wish them luck with their 4-H

### Take A Tour of Big Bend Ranch

By DOROTHY PAYNE Brackett News Staff Writer

BIG BEND RANCH--The Texas Parks and Wildlife began taking reservations for the first public bus tour of the Big Bend Ranch State Natural area.

Cost of the tour is \$30.00 per person and includes a chuckwagon lunch at the Ranch headquarters. The buses are air conditioned and are equipped with restrooms.

The tour departing from Lajitas will cover 134 miles and take about ten hours. The bus will travel farm road No. 170 west towards Presidio and will stop at Madera Canyon

Overlook before turning on the road to the Ranch. After lunch the bus will stop at Cuevas interpretive area. This tour will be the 3rd Sat. of each month. The tour departing from Fort Leaton will cover 74 miles and take about six hours. It will stop at Las Cuevas, go on to the Ranch Headquarters for lunch and will go on to the Solitario Fresno Canyon Overlook. This tour will be the first Saturday of each month.

To make reservations for the Warnock Center bus tour leaving from Lajitas call 915-424-3327. For the Fort Leaton tour call 915-229-

### **Sheep And Goat** Program to be Held

Brackett News Contributing Writer

BRACKETTVILLE, TX--There will be a sheep and goat program on the Dan Davis Ranch, 8 miles east of Brackettville on Hwy. 90. It is on February 5, 1991 at 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. Lunch will be served.

Sponsoring the program are the Kinney and Uvalde counties extension offices. The subject is sheep and goat nutrition and management of parasites.

Speakers will be Dr. Tom Craig, College of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A&M University, College Station. Dr. Frank Craddock, Extension sheep and goat specialist,

For information contact Darrel Smith, Uvalde County extension agent, at (512) 278-6661; Alan McWilliams, Kinney County extension agent, (512) 563-2442; and Dr. Frank Craddock, (512) 278-9151.

## Library To Apply For Expansion Grant



In above photo: back row (left to right): Jo Lee Jones, Lindy LaMascus and Brandy Meeks. Front row (left to right): James Burks, Sunni Jones, Lisa Marshall and Laura Lee Ballew. Not pictured: Jason Antillon and Cecilia

At a meeting held in the Kinney County Public Library on January 10th, it was announced that the Kinney County Public Library is eligible for consideration of an expansion grant.

Mrs. Mitchell, librarian, explained that she had received the program guidelines which were to expand present small libraries to a minimum of 5000 square feet. She stated that Kinney County Library was in need of additional room for the preservation of valuable historical documents and books significant to the early history of Kinney County, Brackettville and Fort Clark Springs as well as the immediate surrounding

> Place Born: Brackettville, Tx **Favorite Food:** German Food

**Best Book:** 

Best Movie:

Gone With the Wind

My friends say I'm:

I describe myself

If I could go

anywhere in the

If I could be

anything I would be:

If I could change

Brackettville I

would: Try and im-

prove the scenery.

world I would go:

Egypt and Russia

An Attorney

"Texas"

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Said Mrs. Mitchell, "We have visitors from as far away as Michigan working on historical documentation projects for which we can provide invaluable information, much of which is currently in the hands of private individuals because there is no area which can provide the proper atmosphere/care for such documents.'

'Our plan would be to apply for an expansion grant for our library which would incorporate the original plan for the restoration of the Mellifont Building and having it serve as our Archives/Resource Facility.'

"These are federal funds administered by the state and therefore require strict compliance." stated visiting architect Neel Morton.

'It will require that you use Engineers, Architects, Library Consultants and properly bonded builders," Mr. Rodney Mackey informed the twenty-three persons attending the meeting. Ms. Mitchell informed the group that the grant would require equal matching funds to be raised locally. She stated that it was her suggestion that the funds be obtained from private individuals and private foundations. "No monies for this construction project need come from county revenues," stated Mrs. Mitchell.

A committee was elected to develop details for this project so that proper steps in obtaining said funds could be taken. Ms. Elsie Sauer, Ms.

Agnes Vondy and Ms. J. Lee Balentine enthusiastically supported this project. Said Ms. Sauer, "That was the original plan for the library and I think it is the proper thing to do." Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Fritter who were present confirmed that the preservation and incorporation of the building was in the original title transfer provisions. Ms. Vondy offered much information regarding the detail of the original building and offered to furnish pictures to assist in the authentication of the preservation project. This is a project to preserve our history while better serving the present needs of our county and its citizens. Such a project deserves our full support.

### **Brackettville Youth** Compete in Boerne

**By LINDY LAMASCUS** 

Brackett News Contributing Writer BOERNE -- The first-place

winners of the Kinney County 4-H Food Show competed in the District 13 4-H Food Show in Boerne, December 8, 1990. Each participant was judged in several areas: record book, daily menu, food prepared, and a personal interview with judges.

4-Hers participating were:

Sunni Jones--Main Dish (5th place) James Burks--Fruits and vegetables (5th place)

Lisa Marshall--Breads and Cereals Laura Lee Ballew--Nutritious Snacks

and Desserts (3rd place)

Brandy Meeks--Main Dish (5th

LaMascus--Fruits and Vegetables (5th place) Jo Lee Jones--Breads and Cereals Jason Antillon--Nutritious Snacks and Desserts (5th place)

Cecilia Aguirre--Nutritious Snacks and Desserts

Michelle Brandt and Mary Duran both qualified but were unable to attend because of conflicts.

These 4-Hers competed against 14-18 other 4-Hers in their respective categories. With six out of nine placing in the top 5, this speaks well for these young people, their and Congratulations on a great project

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## Fear of Freeze **Never Materialized**

Brackett News Contributing Writer

AUSTIN--The freeze that hit the Texas coast during Christmas triggered memories of the 1989 Christmas freeze, but fears of what might happen never materialized.

Coastal biologists and game wardens with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department have seen only scattered, isolated pockets of dead fish, most notably in the Land Cut, Port Mansfield and Port Isabel areas. Generally, no more than a couple hundred fish were seen in any one area, said Larry McEachron, Rockport biologist. Most of the fish found were hardhead catfish and striped mullet.

A few dead fish also were reported in St. Charles Bay and Matagorda Bay, he said, but evidently the high tide, relatively low wind, overcast rainy conditions and very warm bay waters helped minimize the kill. sampling showed temperatures in the deep bay channels and surf remained high enough for fish survival.

McEachron said these samples were substantiated by excellent reports of spotted seatrout and red and black drum catches in normal winter hot spots and the surf. Also encouraging was that biologists caught live juvenile spotted seatrout (6-10 inches) in routine samples after the first of the year. revealing that fish spawned in 1990 survived the cold.

Anglers are reminded that during cold weather spotted seatrout can easily be exploited because they are restricted to small areas in high concentrations, he said. Populations have not recovered from the 1989 freezes and anglers should only keep what they are going to use. 'Preserving the population today will insure that there will be spotted seatrout to be caught in the future.'

On the down side, problems continue with "brown water" in the upper Laguna Madre and a "red tide" outbreak in the Brownsville ship channel. Biologists had hoped that cold water temperatures would eliminate the problem, McEachron said. Biologists continue to monitor the bays and "everyone is optimistic that conditions will soon improve."

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#### YOUR HOROSCOPE

by Charles King Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Despite some problems on the job front, you'll meet with a chance to improve overall security. Overcome a tendency to sluggishness. Though the daytime hours could signal problems with a love interest or a child, later on you'll enjoy happy times with others.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Relations with friends are problematic, though you'll be pleased about a domestic or work development by the end of the week. This week could bring a change of plans. Good news comes later, and you'll be in the mood to visit friends or go to a

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Curtail extravagance or whimsical purchases, for by week's end, a chance comes to get something really nice for the home. You may feel stymied in your efforts to get things accomplished before week's end, yet fortunate developments

signal a pleasant occurrence. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't succumb to worry about inconsequentials. Keep happy financial developments confidential for now. Afternoon hours bring tranquility. Though friends bring you assorted problems, you'll still enjoy the fact that you're popular and are the person that others turn to.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You may feel that you're butting your head against the wall in regard to a career dilemma, but a breakthrough comes by the week's end. An oversupply of conflicting advice may make you indecisive, but the encouragement of a friend makes you more sure of yourself.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be careful in making a decision regarding joint assets, though a favorable career development makes you positive about future security. Be willing to meet others halfway when they seek to correct past misunderstandings. You may receive a travel invitation.

LIBRA (September 23 to October

22) Don't let friends distract you from routine. Business lunches bring positive results. Higher-ups are favorably disposed toward you. Mixing business with pleasure can dissipate benefits, yet it's a favorable time to plan for pleasure trips.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Though domestic affairs are highlighted, it's a poor time to receive out-of-town visitors. A close tie may not fulfill expectations. Confusing trends affect financial agreements. Don't make premature Relationships commitments. improve when you express affec-

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Financial good fortune comes now, but you could be careless with funds as a result. What comes in doesn't have to go out. Though you won't make as much work progress as you'd like, you'll surely make a hit with a loved one.

Enjoy wholesome good times.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Sidestep dubious business involvements. The comforts of home should suit you fine now. Curb a tendency to escapist behavior. Friends and family don't mix favorably. You may enjoy romantic intro-ductions soon. Don't loan your possessions unwisely.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You'll make a good impression on higher-ups, but don't be gullible. A tendency to relax and take things easy will work against you. Publishing, education and legal matters are on the plus side now, but you'll have to watch costs. Travel leads to romance.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Consult with advisers about financial matters, but, when dealing with principals, be sure to play your cards close to the vest. Little things could irk you about a romantic relationship, but you'll still have a good time together at a social gathering.

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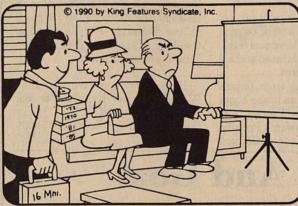
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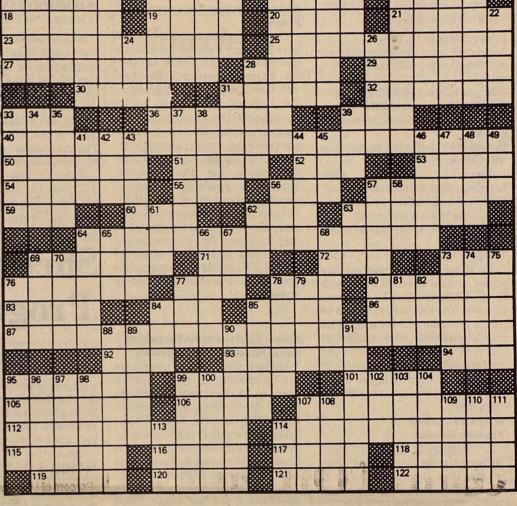
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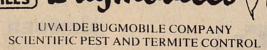
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## Leskovar Accepts Position

Brackett News Contributing Writer

UVALDE--Daniel I. Leskovar hasaccepted the position of assistant professor-vegetables with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, according to Dr. Bill Holloway, resident director of the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center here.

He replaces Dr. Frank Dainello. who resigned to take a position with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in College Station on Jan. 31,

Dr. Leskovar comes to Uvalde from the University of Florida, where he was a graduate assistant in the Department of Vegetable Crops from 1987. There, he was responsible for

Brackett News Contributing Writer

AUSTIN--Alpine attorney Pete P.

Gallego took the oath of office as the

new state representative for District

68 Tuesday, becoming the first

Hispanic to represent the seven-

county southwest Texas district in

Rep. Gallego, a democrat, was one

of the 30 members of the House

of Representatives sworn in during a

two-hour ceremony in the crowded

chamber. Lawmakers of the 72nd.

Legislature will meet in Austin for a

140-day session which officially ends

District. District 68 is particularly

challenging, not only because of its size, but also because of its diverse

needs and characteristics," Rep.

Gallego said. "I'm working

aggressively for the people of the

"I'm honored to represent the 68th

the state House of Representatives.

Gallego Takes

Oath of Office

vegetable transplant research to determine root and shoot growth in greenhouse and their response in the

He will be responsible for conducting research in vegetable production and the development of cultural practices to produce a dependable supply of quality spinach, broccoli, cabbage, onions, cantaloupes and pepper, to fit market windows from the Winter Garden, Dr. Halloway said.

"Our goal is to increase the competitive edge of the Winter Garden by producing stable supplies of high quality produce," he said.

Dr. Leskovar will lead a team effort in conjunction with Dr. Rey Santos at Uvalde and other Texas

district and will continue to do so for

Rep. Gallego is in the process of

opening two district offices. District

68 covers the largest area of any

From Eagle Pass to Presidio, the

district includes almost 45 percent of

In Del Rio, Miri Sotelo will staff Rep. Gallego's third floor office in the

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Penny Nixon of Del Rio, Joe

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Gallego, House of Representatives,

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the Texas-Mexico border.

portion of the district.

the next two years.'

A&M and University of Arkansas

A native of Argentina, Dr. Leskovar holds a Agr. Eng. degree in horticulture from Universidad del Comahue in Argentina, a M.S. degree in vegetable crops from the PH. 512-563-9589, 563-9269, or 563-University of California-Davis, and a 2027. Ph.D. in vegetable crops from the University of Florida.

He also studied management and quality control of hop production as a reasearcher with the Quilmes Brewery in Buenos Aires for seven years and was an agricultural consultant in Rio Negro, Argentina

He and his wife, Celina, have a son, Diego and a daughter, Tania.

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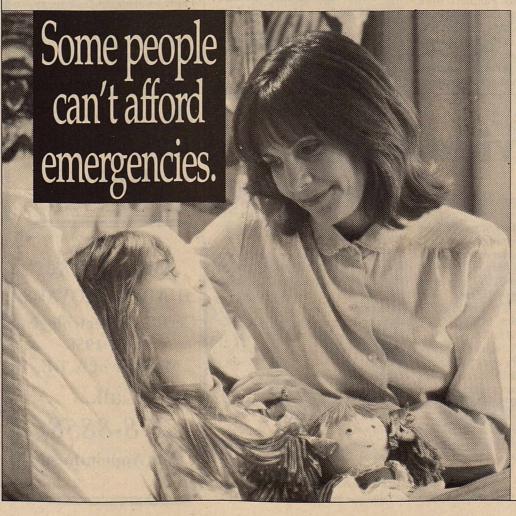
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#### Nueces Canyon News

**By JAMES GREER** Brackett News Staff Writer

#### Prayer Service Held

A special prayer service was held at the First Baptist Church in Camp Wood Sunday evening, January 13 to pray for the situation in the Middle East Crisis.

A good crowd was on hand to attend this special prayer service, and keep on praying for our men and women that are serving over in the Middle East. At this time it is not looking very good.

#### Sick List

We still have a number of people that are still on the sick list. Those that are still sick at this time are: Jean Agy, Idell Allen, Virginia Alston, Mary Craig, Dorothy Doebbler, Jerry Fry, Jackie Fry, Roynell Luce, Joyce McDonald, Bow Ward (Dorothy Ward's grandson) Winchester Wilkerson, and Virgil Williams.

Remember these and any others that I may have missed in your

#### Cold Weather Continues

A cold front and more rainfall were forecast for the Nueces Canyon, already soggy from nearly a week's worth of cool, wet weather.

Rainfall was light over the week with only about a half inch measured here in Camp Wood, but a lot of the canyon experienced only a trace of rain from the continued drizzle.

Temperatures here in the canyon ranged in the high 40's and 50's most of this past week.

While I was writing this column on Thursday, the sun was shining for a change, but the wind was already blowing from the north.

#### Memorial Donated

The Camp Wood Cemetery Association has received a memorial

from the Billy G. Webb Family of Ft. Worth, Texas in memory of Beatrice and James M. Webb who were former residents of the Nueces

#### American Legion Meets

In a short meeting of the American Legion Post 562 at the American Legion Hall in Camp Wood the legion voted to lease the back room of the legion hall to the domino club. They also voted to have the legion sponsored bingo on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. The legion sponsored dances will be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month.

#### New Owner for Drug Store

Vernell Suttles has recently sold the Camp Wood Drug Store to business man Chris Vernor who has already taken over the operation of the

Chris Vernor stated that the business will be known as the Nueces Canyon Drug Store in the future. He said, "It will be an old fashioned drug store complete with soda fountain. The drug store will be open for business from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a. m. until 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays, and closed on Sundays. Vernor said his wife Dolores will assist him in the operation of the drug

HEB Pharmacy of Uvalde has announced that they would deliver medicine purchased at their pharmacy to the Nueces Canyon Drug Store every weekday at 7:00

#### Around the Canyon

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Purdy of San Antonio visited with James Greer one day last week. They have been friends for many years. Purdy was football coach here a number of years. The Purdy's were on their

way to Mexico.

Gwen Dunsworth of Arlington has been here in the canyon recently where she visited friends and relatives. She is sister to Nemo Webb.

We were sorry to hear that Jesse Lockhart, Sr. has been in Memorial hospital in Uvalde, but we are glad to report that he is some better and back at home at this time.

#### New Year's Resolutions

Some of the Convalescents Center residents were asked to make at least one New Year's resolution for 1991. and this was what they came up with. "To be a better boss"--Della

Hutcherson, "To be good and

hopefully get my eyesight better"--Lena Burleson, "Hope it's a better year"--Jerry Scoggin, "Always be a happy person"--Estefana Fuentes, "I'm going to start to love more people"--Loma Richardson, "To look good all year round"--Dimple Speck, "To keep quieter than I am" --Gervus Cummins, "Help more people, if I'm able"--Keith Barnes, "Hope to be like I used to be"--Laura Lacey, "Hope to be in better moods

than I have been."--Kenneth Green, "I'm going to do my best to get along with everyone"--Fred Ross, "To do my best"--Tempest Templeton, "To be a nicer person"--Marjorie Smart, "To bath three or four times a week"--Russell McKee, "To try and get along with everyone, even my husband"--Dorothy Taylor, "Live as well as I can"--Ruby Rosenow, and "To get up early and behave my self."--Zelma Little.

#### New Residents

The Camp Wood Convalescent Center has received several new residents in recent weeks. The latest arrivals at the center are R.S. Cox of Leakey, Arnold Meineke of Leakey, Kenneth Green of Kerrville, Russell McKee of Kerrville, Jewel Hatley, Ruby Carter, Delia Roper and Spurgeon Allen.

We would like to welcome the new residents to the home. May your stay be a good one. This makes 46 residents at the convalescent center. with two of those in the hospital at

#### Alberta Spurgers

Phyllis Alberta Spurgers, 60, died January 6, 1991, at 808 E. Nopal Street in Uvalde.

She was born November 1, 1930, in San Marcos and was married to J.C. Spurgers on October 11, 1969, in Uvalde. He preceded her in death June 12, 1984.

Mrs. Spurgers is survived by a daughter and a son-in-law, Sherry and Michael Jonas of San Antonio; three sons and daughters-in-laws Eddie and Leda Winston of Vance, Jeff and Dorothy Winston of Uvalde and Terry and Marsha Winston of Boerne; another son, Raymond Mangum Jr. of San Antonio and eight grandchildren.

She is also survived by her mother, Phyllis Mae Burleson of Uvalde; and brother Bryan Burleson of Kearney, Mo.

Services for Mrs. Spurgers were held at 2 p.m. Monday in Rushing-Estes-Knowles Chapel with Rev. Homer Stephens pastor of the Baptist Church Barksdale officiating.

Internment was in the Vance cemetery.

Pallbearers were Edmond Winston IV, Terry Wayne Winston Jr. Michael Jonas, Bruce Talley, Don Talley and Josh Talley.

#### Have you ever been to Canton?

This past week the citizens of the Nueces Canyon and area were invited to attend the First Monday Trades Day in Canton, Texas where you can sell or swap anything from china to chickens. During the 19th century, rural folks waited for the "First Monday" to go to town. You can browse, sell, trade and barter with more than 5,000 vendors on 100 acres just for fun! Free admission to this Texas tradition since 1873. For more information on this you can contact the City of Canton, Box 245, Canton, Texas 75103: (214) 567-

## Nueces Canyon School News

#### Congratulations Mr. Grove

By KAREN COLLINS

Brackett News Staff Writer Congratulations to Wayne Grove, NCHS Building Construction Trades teacher, for killing the two biggest bucks reported in the Nueces Canyon

this past hunting season. Mr. Grove kiled an 11-point buck which field dressed at 126 pounds. On December 28, he killed a 10 pointer which field dressed at 105

Both were processed at Country Junction in Barksdale, and both heads are presently at Pickalleo's Taxidaermy in Camp Wood.

Mr. Grove enjoys hunting, and is very proud of these trophy deer. He reported that he saw an even larger one earlier in the season and is making plans to get it next year.

#### Senior Spotlight Steven Haggerton

Featured in the Nueces Canyon Senior Spotlight this week is Steven Haggerton, son of Wesley and Jolyn Haggerton of Camp Wood.

Steven and his family moved to Camp Wood about seven years ago. Steven has played football and basketball while in high school, and is

currently enrolled in English,

government, sociology, computers, home economics, and athletics. He lists his favorite color as blue and his favorite food as vegetable sticks. Phil Collins is his favorite singer, and his favorite TV program is Crime Story. Lethal Weapon II is

his favorite movie. He enjoys watching the San Francisco Forty-Niners on TV and is rooting for them to win the Super

Bowl this year. He wants to become a computer technician after graduating from high school in May.

#### NCHS Basketball News

The NC Lady Panthers were victorious over the Comstock Lady Panthers on Tuesday, January 8th, by a 66-36 score in the first district game of the season. They played in Rocksprings on Friday, January 11th, and lost to the Lady Angoras by

a 10-point margin.

The NC boys teams, both varsity and Jr. varsity, were defeated by Comstock and Rocksprings in hardfought games.

The NCHS teams were scheduled to challenge Leakey earlier this week, and will play in Sabinal on the 18th. Both teams will play in Knippa on the 22nd, and this will mark the end of the first round of district

NC will play each of these teams again in the second round to determine which teams will win the district and advance to the playoffs.

#### One-Act Play Contest

Linda Fish, Nueces Canyon's oneact play director, has announced that auditions for this year's play will be held next week. Students interested in trying out must sign up with Mrs. Fish this week.

The zone contest will be held on Tuesday, March 19th. Two winners will advance to district competition, which will be on March 23rd.

#### Rocksprings wins NC Tournament

Both the Rocksprings boys and girls teams won the annual Jr. High Basketball Tournament hosted by the Nueces Canyon Sports Boosters on Saturday, January 12th.

In the girls division Rocksprings won over Brackettville by one point in the first round, then defeated Nueces Canyon by three points in the finals to win the first place trophy. Nueces Canyon placed second, and Brackettville third.

In the boys division, Rocksprings defeated Brackettville in the prelims, then won over Leakey in the finals to earn the championship. Leakey placed second, and Nueces Canyon third.

The NC boys defeated Brackettville in double overtime to win the third place trophy in one of the many exciting games of the tournament.

The NC Jr. High teams were scheduled to play in La Pryor earlier this week and will participate in the Rocksprings Tournament on Saturday, January 19th. They are open on the 21st and will complete their season on Monday, January 28,

## FmHA To Provide Assistance

**Brackett Newss Contributing Writer** 

TEMPLE--The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) expects to resume approval of emergency loans for farmers who have suffered losses from last year's weather disasters in the near future, Acting FmHA State Director John E. Kirchoff said today.

"We know many producers are reaching the point where they have to make decisions on next year's crops, and we are confident we will be able to provide assistance," he said.

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FmHA was forced to temporarily suspend final approval of emergency loans because of a provision in the 1990 farm bill which, in the end, will benefit farmers and ranchers.

Under FmHA's regular statutory authority, farmers must have crop insurance, if available, to be eligible for FmHA emergency loans, in most cases. The 1990 farm legislation, signed into law on November 28, waived that provision for loans based on losses on 1990 crops.

'Whenever there is a change in our statutory authority, our regulations have to be changed to match up, "Kirchoff said. "I am

informed that the regulation change waiving the insurance requirement is now in final clearance in Washington."

He said applications are being accepted and can be processed up to the point of final approval. To assist in the timely processing of applications, any farmer, in a disaster-designated county who feels qualified for an emegency loan is encouraged to file a completed application with the County Supervisor as soon as possible.

"I have been assured that we will be notified immediately when the regulation change has been published in the Federal Register, and loans can then be given final approval without further delay," he said. "We can and we will help our Texas producers with their c redit



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#### Camp Wood Calendar

Nueces Canyon Band Boosters: First Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce: Meets at noon every second Wednesday of each month at the Old Timer Restaurant in Camp Wood. Camp Wood Convalescent Center Boosters Club: Meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at the Old Timer Restaurant in Camp Wood. Camp Wood City Council: Meets second Monday of each month at City

EMS Bingo: Held at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday night at the American Legion Hall in Camp Wood.

Nueces Canyon School Board: Meets third Tuesday each month at the High School Library in Barksdale.

Nueces Canyon Civic League: Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Elementary School Cafeteria. Real & Edwards County Water Conservation & Reclamation District: Meets second Thursday each month, County House in Camp Wood. Senior Citizens: Meet at noon the third Friday of each month at the

Senior Citizens Center.

Women of the Canyon: Meets the first Thursday of each month.

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