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



James, in wheel chair, is joined in their front yard by his family, top row from left, his mother, Mary Lou and his sister Beatrice; second row from left, twin brother Ray and older brother Jesse.

This Is James' Story

James E. Smith, Jr. was born with fibrous dysplasia. He was diagnosed approximately four year ago.

His mother, Mary Lou, is a native of Brackettville, and has lived here a little over two years.

James has an older sister and brother and a twin brother. His sister, Beatrice, is fifteen years old and attends Brackett Middle School. His older brother, Jesse, is ten years old, and his twin brother, Ray, is nine. All three boys attend Jones Elementary. The family resides at 108 N. Brown Street in Brackettville.

James is scheduled to have surgery on June 19 at Santa Rosa Children's Hospital in San Antonio.

What is Fibrous Dysplasia? Typically, it first appears in childhood. The cause of fibrous dysplasia is unknown. It may affect

one bone or several bones. Fibrous dysplasia is only diagnosed and confirmed with xrays, or with a bone biopsy.

This particular bone disease is not curable; however, fibrous growths may be removed surgically from affected bones. Bone grafts may also be necessary.

In James' case, during surgery, fibrous growths will be removed from his hip and a bone graft will be necessary.

On Sunday, April 30, his family and friends will hold a benefit barbecue at the Kinney County Aging Services from 12:00 noon until sold out. A \$3.00 donation, per plate, will be asked to help defray expenses that the family will endure before, during, and after his surgery. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Easter Sunrise Service
Sunday, 7 a.m.
Amphitheatre
Fort Clark

Hall Selected Outstanding In Home Economics

Wednesday, April 12, 1995, Karla E. Hall of Brackett High School was honored by the Department of Human Sciences at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. (Chuck) Hall of Brackettville. Her home economics teacher is Mary Lee Haby.

"Shining Today for a Brighter Tomorrow" was the theme for the recognition program as a part of Human Sciences Recognition Day. Some 45 outstanding high school senior home economics students from throughout South Texas were recognized on the A&M-Kingsville campus.

HAPPY SHAHAN DAY



In Texas

To

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April 12, 1995

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You Are Cordially Invited To A REPLACEMENT BLOOD DRIVE For CHARLES HADSELL

Blood donations to help offset the cost of any blood Charles Hadsell may receive during the course of his treatment will be held.

April 14, 1995 (Good Friday)
2:30 through 6:30 p.m.
Rio Grande Electric Coop Lineman's Room
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED



Meeks Speaker For Rotary Club

Thursday, April 6, 1995, Brackettville Rotary president Taylor Stephenson, right, welcomed Gene Meeks, Patrol Agent in Charge, U.S. Border Patrol, Brackettville Station, to a noon lunch meeting.

Mr. Meeks, who has been in his current position since January 8, shared information about himself - he was born in Edinburg, graduated from Pan-American College, was a classroom teacher, and 24 years ago entered the U.S. Border Patrol in Eagle Pass.

In 1976, he transferred to Brackettville. His wife, Angie, is a teacher in the Brackett school system. They have two children, Brandy and Jerritt, who are students at BISD, and a son who graduated from BHS and is now a college student in Oklahoma.

He related comparisons of procedure "then and now" such as the Border Patrol' first surveillance apparatus was a string of tin cans tied to a tree...now they have the most sophisticated detection devices. In 1976, this sector had six agents, today it has 27 with hopes of

that number reaching 50 by the end of the year. Apprehensions of aliens have soared from "just a few" to in excess of 600 some months, a large portion of them taken from the train that runs through Spofford. In the dirt runway strips along roadsides, one week-end 60 persons were tracked and caught from their foot prints, however, 180 sets of prints were counted.

The importance of the Border Patrol and its mission was emphasized when Attorney General Janet Reno visited the area earlier in the year, a first time visit from an AG to this area.

This sector - eight miles of river front on the south to Rocksprings on the north, from Uvalde County to Val Verde County east and west - can be assured that its leadership is equal to the task. Mr. Meeks exerts confidence yet humbleness. He is capable, dedicated, trained, skilled, ethical, and a man very much in charge. He is a credit to the Border Patrol and the unique security they provide for Kinney County.

Tiger Golf

Boys A Team Advances To Region
Boys B Team Advances To Region
Girls Team Advances To Region
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Gross Is Saying No To Drugs

By AGAPITO SAENZ

Larry Gross hopes to completely conquer his problem with drugs and alcohol. During his younger years, he started using narcotics to the point where he was addicted to them. Hardly anyone could stand his behavior, not even his parents, so he decided to turn to God for help.

He constructed the cross he is shown carrying and put the words "Jesus Loves You" on it.

Gross started to venture to different parts of Texas, Mexico, and some other areas carrying the cross on his shoulder giving advice to anyone who would listen.

He talked about the harm drugs can do to your life.

I met this man two weeks ago five miles east of Sabin heading toward Brackett. He remembered coming through Brackettville four years ago and recalled he was well received by the people he met here.

Before our encounter, he stated he that he had the opportunity to be the guest of a group of Spring Break students in Padre Island where they listened to his talk about the use of drugs.

He said, "Anyone with this problem, there is hope, just try and kick the habit out of your system. Keep on 'Saying No To Drugs'."



Members of the award winning Tiger Band are Brandy Meeks, Cherrise Ward, Michelle Villarreal, Jerritt Meeks, Patty Lopez, Wendy Goodloe, Alfred Rodriguez, Valerie Jimenez, Lisa Dalton, Alexandra Arreola, Angela Childress, Matthew Foster, JoLee Jones, Melissa Terrazas, James Burks, Brian Hooker, and Renee Miller, Chris Cantrell is director.

Tiger Band Earns Top Honors

1 In Concert - #1 In Sight Reading

The Brackett High School Band competed in the UIL Region 11 Concert and Sight Reading Contest at John Jay High School Monday, April 10, 1995. They received First Division Honors (1) in both Concert and Sight Reading, earning the best ratings of all the schools in the district.

The Brackett Band received a I in Concert competition in both 1991 and 1992, however, the only evidence of previous I in Sight Reading is from 1968.

Band Director Christ Cantrell thinks the students have done an excellent job this year of rising to meet the challenge of being musicians.

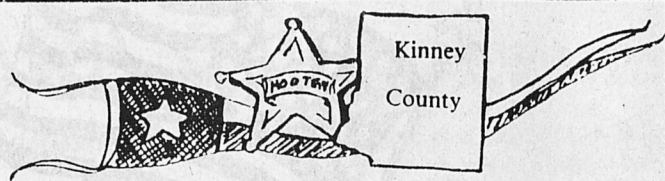
Next year's Marching Band Show is already being planned with the addition of more players, new uniforms, and a goal of state level competition.

Graduating seniors from this year's band are Lisa Dalton and Matthew Foster. Both have given six years of quality service to the Brackett Band and will be missed next year.

The Band now looks forward to its Spring Concert on May 11, 1995, at 7:00 p.m. in the Brackett High School Gym.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



In these days and times of increasing criminal violence we see the resulting reactions of lawmakers and law enforcement agencies to compensate (perhaps in many instances, over-compensation) and there is no viable middle ground for the common man, the honest, law-abiding citizens of this country.

They seem to be caught in a three-way squeeze being perpetrated by the criminal element, law enforcement, and the radical elements such as the Ku Klux Klan, the Skinheads, and newly formed "state militia" groups. As a result of all this the common man loses more and more of his constitutional rights while those of the criminal element still benefit from a lack of hard enforcement by the courts for their crimes against society. The common man, while suffering the loss of his property, his constitutional rights, and in far too many cases, his life, seems to have no recourse.

It has long been my steadfast opinion that more laws does not mean more and better law enforcement because most of the new laws passed are to satisfy the insatiable, every growing demands of the "special interest" groups such as the anti-gun groups, etc. who use increased violent crime as a catalyst to gain support for their self-serving desires. We have more than adequate numbers and types of laws on the books already throughout this state and nation that can, and should be, used to protect and serve the law abiding citizens and to punish the lawbreakers convicted of their crimes against society if only the law enforcement agencies and the courts would attack the "real" crimes and punish the offenders accordingly. "Swinging Door" prison sentences do nothing to adequately deter the burglars, robbers, rapists, murderers, etc. from their continued, and most often repeated, criminal

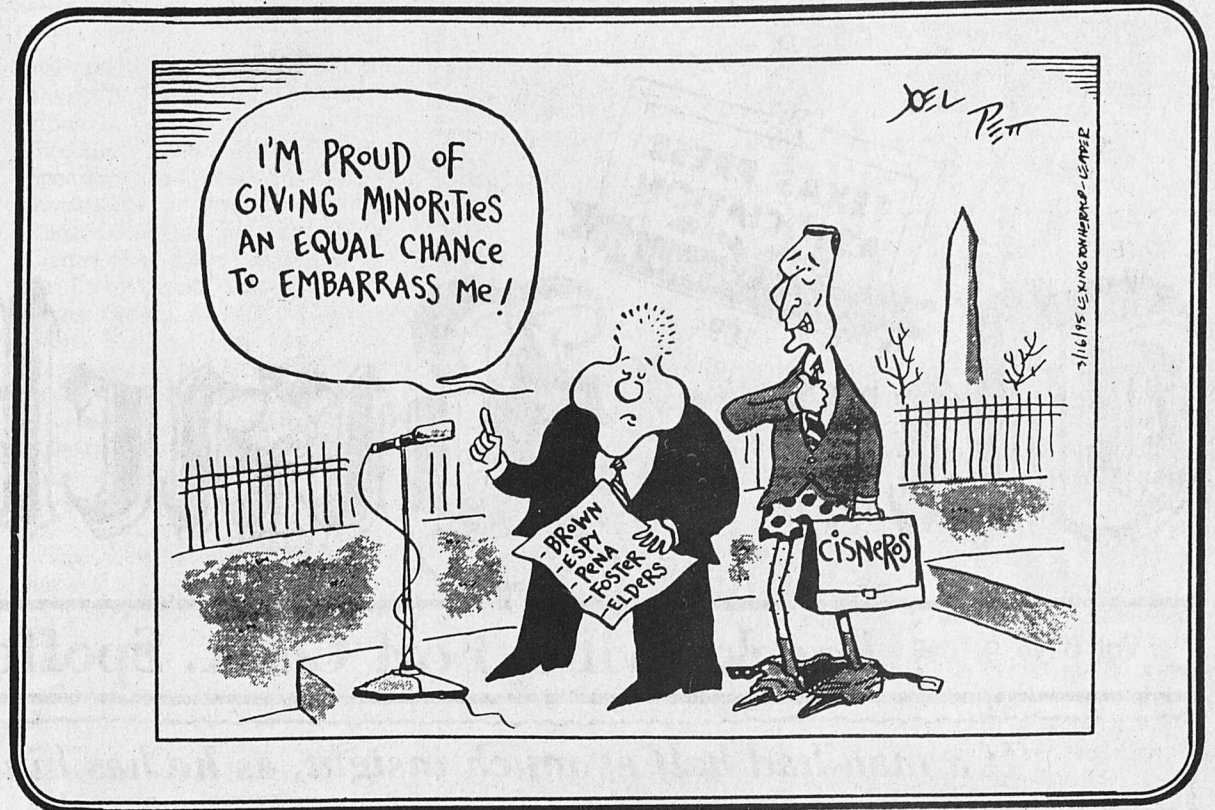
ways. The passing and enforcement of "special interest" laws, though politically favorable to professional politicians trying to appease the big money behind most "special interest" lobbyists, and in every way far easier to enforce on otherwise honest, law-abiding citizens who are NOT professional criminals by any stretch of the imagination, do nothing whatsoever to decrease violent crime. This is a tactic of appeasement that is used as a political smoke screen.

Then you have the radical, often militant, groups such as mentioned above, the Ku Klux Klan, Neo-Nazi groups such as the "Skinheads", Aryan Nations, and some of the hardcore anti-government groups that take advantage of the mixed up signals that the government and the courts are sending out to try and build support for THEIR interests which most often deteriorate into racist, hate-groups that are as bad if not worse than the common street criminal whose violent actions caused all the misguided political activity in the first place.

All the government, law enforcement, and the courts have to do is stay within the Constitution and enforce affirmatively the criminal laws already on the books designed to protect the law abiding citizens and to provide punishment for the criminal element convicted of their crimes. They should clear the books of all the misguided "special interest" laws that have been put there to appease the "special interest" groups and throw out their representative lobbyists the next time they show up. This country needs desperately to go back to the basics and fight crime with good law enforcement and stern courts.

More "law" does not, and never has, meant better law enforcement!

That's All!



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



One of the most arrogant acts of the U.S. government is called to the front this week.

Five years ago Pakistan ordered military aircraft in the amount of one billion dollars. They paid for them. The U.S. then seized the money and stopped delivery of the aircraft. The reason given, fear that Pakistan was



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or would build atomic weapons and the all powerful U.S. government could not allow that.

We give millions of taxpayer dollars to Russia and they sell materials and equipment to other nations such as Iran that can be used to make atomic weapons for potential use even against Pakistan or even the U.S.

It's alright to make and sell fighter aircraft to Pakistan but because of the tyranny of power the U.S. must dictate what nations who have no design as enemies of the U.S. can do in their own nation. The perfidy deepens when the U.S. impounds one billion dollars and keeps it for five years and maybe even longer.

The interest on the money held mounts daily into the millions which means a total loss to Pakistan.

If the U.S. wants to refuse to sell the aircraft that's fine, just block the sale. It is not honest to impound that much money and hold it as hostage because of an idea or fear.

It's inconceivable that this could occur and even reprehensible that it continues.

For a nation that professes to have integrity and be the leader of the world, this action undercuts both. Such insidious action smacks of a bloated arrogance and overfed display lack of integrity.

A freeing up of the money to either pay for the aircraft or return it to its rightful owner is long overdue.

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Appointment To Influential Committee Post

State Representative Pete P. Gallego has been appointed to the influential Conference Committee on the Appropriations Act. The appointment represents the second consecutive term that Representative Gallego has served on the Conference Committee. He is the lone member from West Texas and border regions serving on the Committee.

The Conference Committee consists of five House members, and five Senators, responsible for deliberating and agreeing upon the budget for the State of Texas. For the next several weeks this committee will meet to resolve the differences between the budget passed in the House of Representatives, and the budget passed by the Senate.

Rep. Gallego said, "I am honored to be chosen for this notable assignment. The Conference Committee is a great opportunity to make an impact on the fiscal issues of importance to my constituency and the entire state."

Representative Rob Junell, D-San Angelo will chair the Conference Committee; Senator John Montford, D-Lubbock, will serve as vice-chairman. Other House Representatives on the Committee include Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, Diane Delisi, R-Temple, Steve Ogden, R-Bryan. The Senators on the committee include Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, and Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

RGEC Brings Home Safety Awards

The employees of Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc. received recognition for their safety efforts at the 49th Annual Job Training and Safety Conference held in San Antonio in March.

Shirley Hadsell, Member Services Advisor from the RGEC headquarters office in Brackettville, received an award for working 35 years for Rio Grande Electric Cooperative with no lost time accidents.

The RGEC Fort Stockton Operating Area and the RGEC Dell City Operating Area received awards for three years with no lost time accidents.

The RGEC Marfa Operating Area received an award for one year with no lost time.

Texas electric cooperative employees retiring in 1994 were given recognition at the conference. The retiring RGEC employees were Richard Olvera, Francisco Moreno and Joe Castro of the Brackettville office and Iris Dufner from the RGEC Carrizo Springs Operating Area.

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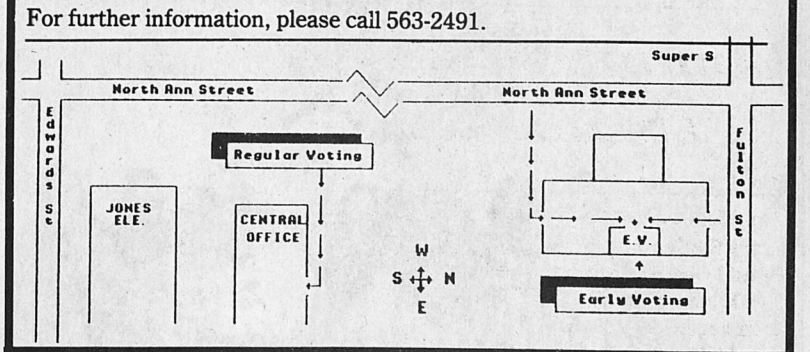
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Early Voting will be held in the High School Principal's office located in Building 700, High School Annex, SE Corner of Ann and Fulton. Early Voting will be conducted from April 17 through May 2, 1995, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Address for Early Voting is:
 Mrs. Beth Ann Smith, Early Voting Clerk
 Brackett I.S.D.
 P.O. Box 586
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Library Notes



By Sara Terrazas

Library Hours 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Closed Tuesday

We are still looking for volunteers to help out with our literacy program. We also need volunteers to help rearrange and label books. If you have some free time on your hands and would like to spend some time in a cool place, we can sure use the help.

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

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Staff and Volunteers

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



Several years ago a fine lady moved to Brackettville and became associated with the school system. She holds a very important position dealing with and assisting students. She has made many fine contributions to the lives of individual students. She is well liked by her students.

She is a dedicated person whose beneficent actions are not limited to her responsibilities at school but spreads out in many directions to others.

She is a devoted wife. She is a friend to all who know her.

She definitely is an asset to the school system and our community.

Surely Dee Curry is an "Unsung Hero."

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



Seven tables played Duplicate Bridge on a stormy night, Tuesday, April 4.

Lamont and Marie McCandless won first place in the N/S direction. Nita and Fred Clayton won second with Vern and Betty Ebert coming in a close third.

Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford won first place in the E/W direction. Arnie and Gerti Trauwein won second place with Ray Kurtz and Mary Edgar taking third.

Agreement In Principle Reached In CPL South Texas Project Rate Matter

Central Power and Light Company has reached an agreement in principle with four major parties to pending regulatory proceedings involving base rate, fuel and prudence issues relating to the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station.

A final agreement is expected within several weeks. The agreement then will be presented to the city councils in the CPL service territory and the Public Utility Commission of Texas for approval.

Under the agreement CPL will provide customers a one-time base rate refund of \$50 million. CPL also will not charge customers for \$62.25 million (plus interest) in fuel replacement power costs associated with the 1993-1994 South Texas Project outage and as a result will refund an additional \$15 million to its customers. There will be no ongoing change in base rate levels; however, CPL has agreed to reduce future fuel billings by at least \$15 million annually.

The agreement additionally resolves all STP prudence issues through June 30, 1994, and all other claims for the five-year period ending December 31, 1994, a period in which CPL's rates were frozen under a prior settlement agreement.

Central and South West Corporation, CPL's parent corporation, does not expect a material effect on its 1995 earnings because of several accounting provisions contained within the agreement and the use of several reserves established previously.

"We believe this agreement is a good one for customers of CPL," said Corpus Christi City Manager Juan Garza, representing the largest of the cities that last year initiated a rate review of CPL with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. "The company will refund to customers \$65 million. The company will not pass on to customers \$62.5 of added fuel costs incurred during the lengthy South Texas Project outage. The agreement also has several provisions which will limit future rate levels."

Jim Darling, City Attorney for the City of McAllen and Chairman of the CPL Cities' Steering Committee, added, "This agreement is fair for consumers because it contains over \$180 million of CPL concessions. The average residential customer will see a refund of approximately \$52 in summer bills this year."

CPL President Bob Carey said, "This agreement caps months of intense negotiations. It has been our goal to avert costly regulatory proceedings as well as the costs of litigation that might follow those proceedings. Upon implementation, the agreement will bring to an end the months of uncertainty relating to the costs of the South Texas Project outage. In addition, the agreement includes several accounting provisions that support CPL's economic viability."

Other parties to the agreement besides CPL and the CPL Cities Steering Committee are the Public Utility Commission of Texas General Counsel, the Texas Office

of Public Utility Counsel and the Texas Industrial Electric Consumers.

CPL has operated with its current rates in effect for more than four years under a previous rate freeze agreement. That rate freeze expired December 31, 1994. Under the new agreement in principle, CPL agrees not to file for a change in rates before September 28, 1995.

CPL owns 25.2% of the South Texas Project, Houston Lighting & Power Co., which owns 30.8%, manages the facility. City Public Service of San Antonio owns 28%. The City of Austin owns 16%.

TS&GRA Responds To Closing Of Lamb Processing Facility

Responding to last week's announcement that Monfort is closing its San Angelo lamb-processing facility, the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association has initiated a dialogue with key industry leaders about bringing a new packer to the area.

"Texas has the lamb numbers, the feed, the feedlots and established marketing system to complement and sustain a packing company on a year-round basis," TS&GRA President Allen Turner said in a statement released April 5. Monfort plans to close its facility, the only major lamb-processing plant in the nation's largest lamb-producing state, June 1.

Texas produces 1.2 million lambs each year, according to the Texas Agricultural Statistical Service, and about half of those go through a Texas packing facility. The freight charge alone on 600,000 head costs Texas producers 1.8 million dollars annually. That is a cost producers cannot afford to bear, Turner said, making it critical for the industry to find a way to replace the loss of the plant, which currently processes about 450,000 lambs each year.

Plans for a replacement facility are in the very early stages, Turner said. As to when and what form or structure this company will reflect is not clear. What is clear is that Texas produces over 20% of the nation's feeder lambs. If each lamb produced in Texas has a \$2.75 to \$3.00 freight charge assessed to it to have it transported to a packing facility in Colorado or other far-off destination, then it is time to examine other alternatives.

"Texas sheep and goat producers are anxious to have a packing plant for their production in the state and will work diligently to ensure this becomes a reality," Turner concluded.

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by Linda Luckhurst

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2. Academy Awards: What Oscar category became extinct in 1929?
3. Campaigns: What was John Kennedy's 1960 campaign song?
4. Sickness and Health: What disease was called "The White Plague"?
5. Early Professions: What famous comedian once boxed as Packy East?
6. Dem Bones: What is the longest bone in the human body?
7. Games People Play: What do you play conkers with?
8. Unexpected Cameos: On what Paul McCartney album cover did James Coburn appear?

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1. San Diego; 2. title writings; 3. "High Hopes"; 4. tuberculosis; 5. "I Wanna Be Like You" from "The Sound of Music"; 6. "I Wanna Be Like You" from "The Sound of Music"; 7. acorns; 8. "Band on the Run" by Paul McCartney and Wings.

TRIVIA TEST ANSWERS

I can imagine no more comfortable frame of mind for the conduct of life than a humorous resignation.

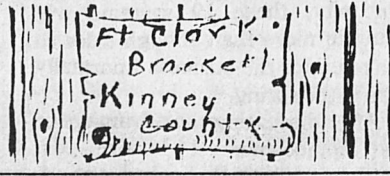
—W. Somerset Maugham

Answers to Super Crossword

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Community Calendar



- Las Moras Masonic Lodge 444: 2nd Tue. 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
- Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room
- Beta Sigma Phi
- R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m.
- Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m. Adult Center
- Kinney County Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thurs, 7:30 p.m., FC Rest.
- City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m., City Hall
- K.C. Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon
- San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Service Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.
- FC Duplicate Bridge: Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.
- FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Palisado Building.
- FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m.
- FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Make reservations at Adult Center.
- FCS VFW #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, 6 p.m. Pot Luck, 7:00 p.m. Meetings, Service Center.
- FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Adult Center.
- Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for info.
- K.C. Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.
- KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Service Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Order of Eastern Star 204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio.
- FC Shrine Club: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slator Hall, Please make reservations.
- Kinney County Heritage Museum: 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m., Filippone Building.

Home Tips

HANDY TOOL — I use a large seam ripper to remove can labels and to remove seals on bottles. Rita K., Omaha, Neb.

DURABLE BOOKMARKS — As an avid reader, I came across an idea for a durable bookmark.

I bought a vinyl binder, cut it into strips and made myself 20 bookmarks. I've mailed a few to relatives already, and they love them! Kitty R., Fort Hood, Texas

BACON SUBSTITUTE — As I am on a low-sodium diet, one of the things I miss the most is bacon with an egg. I have found a pretty good substitute.

When I break the egg in the cup to steam, I sprinkle a few imitation bacon bits on the top. Try it; you'll like it! Jill G., New Ulm, Minn.

REMOVING CORN SILK — Recently, someone suggested using a toothbrush to remove corn silk when preparing an ear of corn.

For many years, I have used a vegetable brush under a faucet stream, working downward from the narrower top of the ear. It is much quicker and easier than using a small toothbrush. Sally T., Roswell, N.M.

SOFTEN IT UP — I found a really quick way to soften hard brown sugar. Just put it in the microwave, in the plastic bag, for a minute and it softens it immediately. Wanda C., Kirkland, Wash.

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT — A simple and super way to soften brown sugar when it is as hard as a brick is to just put a piece of bread in the package or airtight container. The sugar will become soft and stay that way. Laverne P., Salem, Ore.

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QUERRECHO FLATS
 By Curt Brummett

Some Things Picked Up - Some Fell Off

Well folks, things in Querecho Flats has picked up a little in some ways and fell off in others. The gossip has calmed down some since old Marthalean ran off with her politician boyfriend.

Juan Padilla didn't even come close to getting nominated for county commissioner. And I've been banned from the court house. (That isn't all that bad.) I haven't been called for jury duty since all that political mess took place and I'm not complaining.

However, the good ladies (?) of the Church of the Better Than Thou and Pert-Near Perfect People did get together and have a church social (so to speak) in order to try and get the community back together.

Actually, they did it so they could find out just what the hell really happened with Karl and Marthalean as well as all of the major political pole cats in Kortman County.

They (the good ladies?) advertised the social as a sort of pot luck supper. Every one was to bring a covered dish of some sort and Garlan and me was to fix a couple of briskets.

Louise and Thelma as well as Hortense made it very plain that there was to be no fooling around and we were to act like we had manners even if we didn't want to. (No problem.)

Well, the evening of the big event came right on time and Garlan and me had done one fine job on the briskets. Juan had donated a goat he cooked just for this occasion and the cakes and pies was more than plentiful.

The little get together was held at the community center and it seemed like the evening was going to go fairly smooth.

Silly thought... Karl got there just a little late and a lot crocked. He had doubled his business since old Marthalean had run off and he was working pretty hard.

Juan and me figured he had a

drink or two after he closed up the Konstant Kitchen and Kar Kare Salon in order to kind of relax and get ready to go out in public for the first time since his "not so lovely" bride had run off.

Wrong... Karl got to drinking because one of them ornery welders mentioned to 'im that Marthalean had sent word that she was gonna come to the supper because she was still part of the community and she still had friends in Querecho Flats.

Wrong again. Well, Karl took it serious and he decided that if she showed up, he would run her off. Now old Karl ain't no complete dummy. He knew he couldn't whip old Marthalean when they were living together and he probably couldn't whip her now that they weren't living together.

His thinking was pretty simple. He would just tank up on some of Garlan's semi-world precious home brew, get brave and bullet proof. (Something you need to know about Garlan's home brew.) This bottled bravery would make a mouse think he could whip a mountain lion. After 5 or 6 drinks, that mouse would have one hell of a good chance of getting it done. (Stout stuff.)

We all had our plates filled and had sat down when old Karl fell through the door screaming for Marthalean to show herself and get ready to be humiliated like she had never been humiliated before. (Karl didn't realize that he would have to really out do his self in order to out do what Marthalean had done did.)

Garlan and Juan got Karl by the arms and was taking 'im out the door. Thelma, Hortense and Louise was grinning something fierce because they had managed to set up a situation that made some one look worse than them. I was assuring every one that Karl was not quite over the loss of his loved one when it happened.

Marthalean showed up.

(Continued next week)

Moncus' Musings
 MIKE MONCUS
 Park Ranger, Interpreter
 Bastrop State Park

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Not Available This Week

County Agent News
 by Alan L. McWilliams

Growing Turf Grass In High Shade Areas Is A Never-Ending Problem

I receive calls every year from homeowners wanting to know why the grass is not doing well under their live oak, mulberry or ash trees. The other calls deal generally with asking what type grass will grow if any.

Shade is very desirable in the landscape, but it is the number one problem in growing turf grass. There are many people who simply do not understand that grasses do not do well in shade as they do in full sunlight. There are areas that will not permit grass to grow and do well in the environment that exists in a particular landscape.

Environmental changes caused by shade have a major effect on grass. Reduced light, less extreme temperatures, increased humidity, restricted air movement, competition from trees, increased disease problems and shallow root systems are all products of shade.

Additionally, grass in shade has less ability to use nitrogen, less photosynthetic activity, less growth, less wear tolerance, more susceptibility to preemergent herbicides and less tolerance to cold.

The problem is not fertilizer or water, it is light. To grow turf in the shade, you must have a shade-tolerant grass. Although you can keep a grass alive in the shade, you will lose it the first time it encounters adverse conditions.

Bermuda grass and buffalo grass have very little shade tolerance. St. Augustine is probably the most shade-tolerant warm season grass, followed closely by centipede and zoysia. Tall fescue, a cool season grass, will grow in moderate to heavy shade where St. Augustine fails.

For any success at growing grass in filtered shade, you may want to try these practices:

1. Start with a grass variety suitable for shade
2. Raise the mowing height
3. Water deeply and infrequently
4. Apply nitrogen moderately in fall and spring
5. Avoid high nitrogen applications in the summer

In many heavily shaded areas, it is best to use ground cover plants or other landscape materials rather than wasting time and money trying to go against the effects that nature dictates in a particular area.

Let There Be Light...

For It's Good For The Plants

The term "spring" brings many different pictures to the gardener's mind. Some may remember last year's garden. Others anticipate the warm temperatures that in turn bring new green foliage and life to our surroundings.

Have you ever wondered what tells plants to get going in the spring? Or why some plants flower only in the spring while others wait and flower in the summer and still others in the fall? Although there are many complex processes that together answer these questions, one of the key elements to this phenomenon, and to life itself, is light. Warm, wonderful sunlight.

Scientists have known as early as 1779 that sunlight played an important role in plant photosynthesis (the manufacturing of food). The role is so important that, without it,

Whoever absorbs a work of art into himself goes through the same process as the artist who produced it—only he reverses the order of the process and increases its speed. —Friedrich Hebbel

animals and ultimately man, would perish. With the importance of light understood, researchers then began to experiment more with it. Artificial light was found to speed up the maturity process.

It wasn't until 25 years later after artificial light was used in plant research that the real key to how light effects flowering was discovered. Photoperiodism, the response of plants to varying durations of day and night, was discovered in 1918 by a scientist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The terms short-day and long-day plants refer to plants whose flowering is triggered by a short day length, like those that flower in the fall and winter, and those triggered into flowering when the days are long, like spring and summer flowering plants.

Researchers thought these terms were the key for quite a long time, although, eventually it was determined that the length of darkness or absence of light is actually the key. It is important, however, for indoor gardeners to realize the importance of the night period, as a streetlight shining into a window can be enough to cause a short-day plant to perceive a long day. This ultimately effects the plant's flowering habits.

The quality of light is also important to plant growth. Light quality refers to the wave length or color of the light. We rarely see the colors of light unless we are lucky enough to catch a rainbow. Plants use almost the same light we see, but the important wave lengths are the red and the blue. Blue light alone would cause shortened growth and dark coloration; red light causes soft growth and tall, leggy growth. Balance of the two colors is vital. Commercial growers and indoor gardeners are keenly aware of this, as different types of lights supply different wave lengths.

Three categories of light sources are commercially available; fluorescent, high-intensity discharge (HID) and incandescent. Fluorescent lights are used extensively by professionals and amateurs alike, as they emit a mixture of red and blue wave lengths that plants need. High-intensity-discharge lights include the high and low pressure sodium, high-pressure mercury and metal halide. These are used by commercial growers. They provide a mixture of light qualities but are not used as widely as the fluorescents.

Incandescent lights are not used extensively, as they are high in red wave lengths and low in blue wave lengths. Another disadvantage of incandescent lights is that they generate excessive heat.

Lights can be used to start seedlings indoors, to provide sufficient light in a room that lacks natural light or to manipulate the flowering of plants. Lights just may be the most important part of our environment. The next time you see the sunshine, consider its importance. Without it there would be no photosynthesis, and we now know what that would mean.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Rambling Around Kinney County
 By THE K.C. RAMBLER

Want a good hamburger? Have lunch at Lopez Bakery across from the Elementary School. And be sure to order it on their own bakery-made hamburger bun. You can't go wrong and certainly the price is right.

The gobblers are wooing their mates and if you keep your eyes open you may see what I saw - three turkeys all with their tail feathers fully fanned. What beautiful sights nature offers. Maybe you'll be able to enjoy such a show this spring. There are many flocks of wild turkeys in our area - and frequently seen.

What ideal days these are for picnicking. Instead of sitting indoors to eat, take your sandwich or hamburger and fries to a local tree and enjoy eating in the clean air and sunshine. Columbus Park has been dolled up by the city in red, white, and blue. You can sit at the colorful cement tables and benches while the children run free or swing in the very high swings.

What a wonderful innovative idea. The FCS Art Club has been invited to draw and paint and watercolor, etc. scenes of Alamo Village. The completed art pieces will be available to the public for viewing

and purchasing at Happy Shahan's Alamo Village. There are many talented artists in this group - this will give their products wider exposure and some of their works will be purchased by folks from all over the world. Alamo Village is visited annually by many, many people who are enthralled with living (if only for one day) in the real Wild West. It is a big drawing card to our county.

Do you have musical talent? An orchestra is being formed in Brackett for those who wish to get together to enjoy playing music. Our school has for years had an outstanding musical program. Where does that talent go after graduation? Now it can be pursued in the local orchestra. Mr. Allen Kreiger, Jr. of Kreiger Insurance here in town is a life-long lover of music and active in the group. Give him a call for details. Call 563-2408.

Are you an antique buff? Agnes Vondy is selling some of her collection. You will see some rare pieces and enjoy visiting with Mrs. Vondy. She is a walking history book of Kinney County. Make an appointment at 563-2196.

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19 Homeowners Left To Buy An Air Conditioner Or Heat Pump With No Payments For 6 Months

*Read on to see how Homeowners can get the Second year free

HERE IS WHERE THIS CONCEPT REALLY IMPRESSED ME

By LIZZ RAMIREZ

For the first time in Brackettville, Mr. Dan Peterson has created a program that will allow 19 Homeowners to buy a new air conditioner or heater and not make any payments for 6 months. Actually, with his program homeowners will probably get the second year free. In a moment, I'll tell you how this works.

Mr. Peterson said "If you are replacing an old system, the money you save on your energy bills in the first two years could be enough to make all the payments in the second year."

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In fact, here is what Mr. Peterson is doing to help homeowners save enough money to make the payments in the second year. He is giving them an Electronic Programmable Thermostat free.

He said this is really in his best interest since the homeowners get a...

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This applies when they are replacing an air conditioner or Heat Pump.

My hat goes off to Mr. Peterson for creating a remarkable program. Just look at everything the homeowner gets:

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*A guaranteed energy savings of 25% during the first year.

*A free electronic programmable thermostat.

THE ONLY WAY HOMEOWNERS CAN LOSE IS IF THEIR CALL COMES IN TOO LATE

Because, according to Mr. Peterson, once the 19 systems are sold this program will have to end.

Homeowners can request more information (or schedule a free survey) by calling Comfort Tech at 800-825-6694. Lic. #TACLA004577.

Here is my advice if you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity...Do not delay calling!

My question when talking to Mr. Peterson was...

WHY WOULD HE MAKE THIS OFFER?

His answer made sense. He said "It won't be long before spring is here. That's one of the times when my sales usually drop off. So I'll be left with a lot of super employees that I will have to keep busy until the hot weather comes.

"I believe that by giving homeowners this tremendous opportunity, these 19 systems will bring in more than enough sales to make up for the business I normally lose in the spring."

After discussing the advantage to the homeowners I believe Mr. Peterson will wish he had enough employees to put in more than 19 systems, and I'm sure many homeowners will, too.

HERE IS HOW THE HOMEOWNERS BENEFIT

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POSTMASTER'S COLUMN
 BY FELIX HERNANDEZ

What Bar Codes Mean To You And Your Mail

You may have noticed a series of lines printed on the front of some of the envelopes you receive. That series of lines are called bar codes, and the height of individual lines give information that can be read by high speed scanners. These scanners use technology similar to that used by the scanners at many grocery and department store checkout counters.

The Postal Service has made a significant investment in high technology equipment to efficiently process and deliver your mail. Machines such as the optical character reader, scan the address of every letter and spray a corresponding nine-digit ZIP Code or delivery point bar code onto the letter's bottom right-hand corner. The barcoded letters then pass through a bar code sorter machine that reads each bar code and directs the letters onto sorting bins for additional processing or delivery.

Automated processing of mail with hand-written addresses has always been a problem. The Postal Service is now applying bar codes to hand-written letters using a process called the Remote Bar Coding System. With this process, an image of the written address is captured by

an optical scanner. This image is then transmitted electronically off site to an operator who views the address' image on a computer screen and manually keys in the street address, city, state and ZIP Code. This information is then transmitted back to a mail processing center, where bar codes are applied to the corresponding hand-written mail pieces.

The Postal Service is encouraging business mailers to prebarcode their mail. This allows mail to bypass the optical scanner and go directly to the bar code sorter for processing. Businesses that prebarcodes their mail are eligible for special presort postage discounts. Software for applying bar codes is available from commercial vendors at relatively low cost.

The barcoding of mail, whether by the Postal Service or its customers, has become the key factor in our efforts to efficiently and rapidly process the many millions of letters we handle every day of the year from coast to coast.



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Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated twelfth from the Class of 1879. He was assigned as 2nd Lieutenant of "E" Company 19th Infantry and came West. Following service at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, the regiment moved to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas where Lt French was detailed as the Regimental Adjutant. In December of 1882 the 19th Infantry was posted to Fort Clark.

At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt French began diaries which he faithfully maintained for the next thirty years.

April 1883: Lt French enters his third month in camp, as commander of the Seminole Scouts, at Mayer's Spring (now Meyer's Spring) on the newly completed Southern Pacific Railroad, near present day Dryden. He improves his accommodations by building a frame for his tents; feels the Scouts are being unjustly treated by being kept out in camp so long; participates in a "senseless indian scare;" and by the end of the month is relieved by a troop of cavalry. He starts the journey back to Fort Clark where he "...shall have to obey orders. But there will be pleasant society there which will more than make up for a little brief authority."

Friday, April 13 1883

Started down the river today. The men shot at some deer. About noon noticed two scouts in the lead suddenly stop & hold up their hands. Rode down to them and on looking around a large rock saw about a mile away a number of horses grazing. The men said there were Indians there, and were very anxious to charge them. I thought we were booked for a fight. But we heard a shout and did not see the horses run off as they would have done had there been Indians. So we continued on the trail and were surprised to find Dr. Harmer and 13 of the scouts. They had left Mayers Springs about 11 o'clock last night, camped at Cedar Spring, and had hurried on to intercept me with a telegram from a Division Superintendent of the G.H. & S.A. R.R. saying that 50 Indians had crossed the river at Eagle's Nest. I did not believe this report, but felt under obligations to Dr. Harmer for if it had been true my men would have been easily used up as we were going along never thinking of Indians. Was glad to have the Doctor for company. Continued down the river examined all the crossings and kept a good look out for trails and other signs. Camped near Antonio's Crossing and posted pickets to observe the crossing all night. The trip today was a tiresome one as the wind blew the sand in our faces almost all the way. The Doctor is about used up. In going down a hill he turned his foot and it hurts him very much.

Saturday, April 14 1883

Went four or five miles farther down the river without seeing any signs and then cut across the country to Willow Spring. By doing so I was certain to cut any trail of Indians going over on the Pecos the only place where they would go to steal stock, and would be near the railroad. After putting most of the men into camp, I went on to Eagle's Nest with five men. Saw no trail. Telegraphed to Hall what I had done and learned that on Thursday evening a Mexican Captain and some soldiers crossed the river at Eagle's Nest and said they were trailing some Indians on the other side and thought the Indians had crossed the river. From this came all the rumors. Capt. Randlett came up from Del Rio on a special this morning and had gone up the river along the bank; so I missed him. Camped at Eagle's Nest and spent a rather cold night, as most of my bedding was at Willow Springs.

Sunday, April 15 1883

Sent two men to find Capt. Randlett to tell him what I had done, and then returned to Willow. Dr. H. with three scouts returned to Mayers Springs today as our sup-



FOOTSTEPS ECHO
The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters
of Maj Gen Francis Henry French
Old Fort Clark Guardhouse Museum

Courtesy of Bill Haenn
Curator, Guardhouse Museum

plies were running short. If any more are needed, I can easily telegraph him where to send them. Told him to keep couriers at Thurston in case I telegraphed. Lay around camp reading Zola's "Rene'e" most of the day and was thoroughly disgusted with it. Went to the section house near Willow in the afternoon and found that they had all been frightened by the senseless Indian scare. The Chinamen had been sleeping up in the bush on the hills, a mile or two from their houses. Saw one of them write a letter & heard him read it. Commencing on the right hand of the page he read down a column and then down the next column and so on, seeming to read with a great deal of skill as though he were well educated. Soon after returning to Camp was very well pleased to see the two couriers return from Capt. Randlett's. They said he had found no sign but had not gone up to my trail. He intends to return to Eagle's Nest tomorrow and if nothing new happens to go back to Del Rio. I shall return to Mayers Springs tomorrow, refit and go up to the Pecos as I intended to do. This has been a most tiresome day waiting for news.

Monday, April 16, 1883

Returned to Mayers Springs today. Found railroad people stirred up all along the road. Thought I saw a suspicious character some distance from the road and followed the trail to find it was a Seminole who had gotten ahead. Found Col. Bernard in camp, who had come out to command Randlett and myself. But he had examined the country all along the railroad and seeing no signs had telegraphed to Clark that there were no Indians and intends to return to Clark today. Told him what I had done and was pleased to find that he approved of it. All available cavalry had been ordered out from Clark, but Feche't was ordered back from Spofford. Kauffman has gone out on the Nueces. Stone & Ramsey from the Pecos came in. Ramsey said he had found a horse in his ranch cut on the flank and run down, and had seen moccasin tracks near a spring. Thinks Indians are over there. After consulting with Col. Bernard think I shall go over to Fielder's Ranch & up the Pecos to Ramsey's as by so doing I can be certain to strike any Indians trying to get to the Rio Grande with stock by going down the river. Our visitors left on evening train. Received a telegram from Hall this evening directing me to make a report of this last scout and saying the Seminoles would be relieved by end of month. Very pleasant news. Made preparations for an early start tomorrow. Wrote report and a letter home. Shall send couriers with mail in the morning. Harvey's back is healing splendidly.

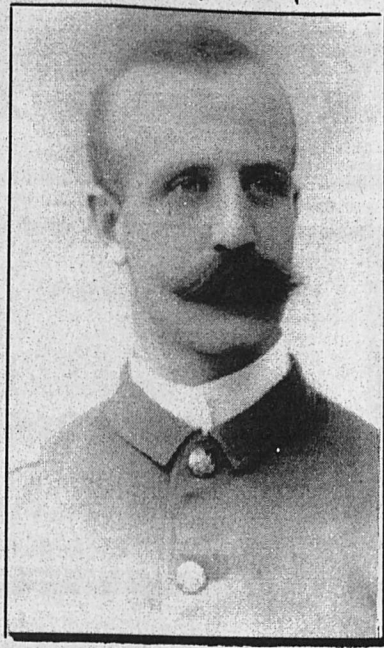
Tuesday, April 17, 1883

Was sleepy this morning as it was quite late before I retired last night. After starting the couriers, started for the Pecos with 9 men. The ride was tiresome and uninteresting, as I had been over it before. Reached Fielders and went into camp about 5 P.M. Visited the ranch and found that no stock had been lost there. He gave us a sheep if the men would kill it and dress it, an offer that was only too readily complied with. The Pecos is a muddy swift stream of some kind of mineral water. Stock fattens on it and needs no salt. It has a good effect upon the bowels. It is not suitable for irrigation to raise vegetables, although salty grass grows along the banks of the river.

Wednesday, April 18, 1883

Left camp before the men and went up towards Wilkins' Ranch. Was overtaken by Mr. Fielder and Mr. Bruton who had a pack of hounds and intended to hunt a pan-

ther that had been killing sheep. Joined them but could get no trail of the panther. Pushed on to Wilkins & found them shearing sheep. Saw Flint & young Wilkins, Cyrus W. and met Mr. Frank W. These young men are very active and enterprising and will make a fortune from sheep and cattle. Spent a pleasant half hour with them and then had to hurry to overtake the men. In crossing the Pecos, held too tight a rein as the horse was going out of the water and nearly pulled him backwards. Fell off and got wet up to my hips. The sun soon dried my clothes. The scenery along this part of the country is quite interesting. Along the canyons or gulches opening into the Pecos valley, where are fresh water streams are found large groves or "motts" of live oak trees. Reached Sulphur Springs about 5 P.M. These are two deep wells filled with strong sulphur water which bubbles over the top. Drank a little of the water but did not like it much. Went about a mile farther and camped near Ramsey's house, about a mile from it up Independence Creek. Young R. was at home with a colored herder and a man belonging to Troop "L" 10th Cav'y., which had passed through last night from Stockton on its way to Mayers Springs on account of that senseless Indian report. This man had been left with a broken down mule. Made enquiries about the horse and the moccasin tracks but learned nothing new except the localities where they were found. Ramsey says there is one of his horses missing, which they have missed since last Monday evening. This with the other reports begins to look something like Indians. The cut pony belongs to some ranchman up the Pecos as every time he is turned out to graze he works up that way. Concluded to wait until morning, then find the missing horse or his trail, see the pony and let the men hunt around for any signs. Shall remain in this camp tomorrow and move tomorrow evening up the Creek, so as to be nearer Mayers Springs if we find no trail. Expect to return to



2nd Lieut Francis Henry French
(USMA '79)

Mayers's Springs day after tomorrow if no signs are found.

Thursday, April 19, 1883

Went to the house this morning and after waiting there a half hour or so, young Ramsey came up driving some horses, the missing horse being one of them. So the Indians did not take him. He went with Corp'l. Perryman up the Pecos for the wounded pony and I returned to camp and sent the men out to hunt for signs. About one o'clock Corp'l. P. came in and said the pony was at the house. Went to the house, saw the pony and ate dinner there. The pony was fat and had a cut six in. long on left rump made by sharp instrument. If Indians did it, it is strange that they did not kill him & eat him or put him in some place where he would not be found. Returned to camp, and had things packed. The men came in soon afterwards and reported no signs. About 2-30 or 3 o'clock, moved camp six or seven miles up Independence Creek. Corp'l. Perryman went up the creek to where the pony had been found, hunting in the bottoms along the creek but could find no signs. Other men went out hunting but no signs were found. Feel confident that no Indians are in the country. Shall return to Mayers Springs and send out a hunting party to let them hunt for game and see if they can find any indications of Indians.

(To be continued next week)

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Tax Relief May Be In Sight

This Saturday, millions of Americans will rush to their local post offices, scrambling to get the right date stamped on their tax returns so they won't get in trouble. This date, April 15, causes anxiety for most Americans. That's the day they face the depressing reality that a huge chunk of their income goes to the federal government.

While it won't help you this April, future tax relief is on the horizon. Just last week the House of Representatives passed a sweeping tax cut plan that helps hard-working families across the country. The bipartisan show of support for this plan confirms that Congress is finally listening to the citizens' cries for smaller government, lower taxes and less government intrusion.

For weeks before this important vote, guardians of the status quo told tall tales about what tax cuts would mean for American families. These liberals resorted to fear tactics and class-warfare rhetoric to distract people from the truth. The defenders of high taxes don't want you to know that this tax relief truly helps lower-income and middle-class families keep more of their hard-earned dollars.

Nearly 75% of the \$500-per-child tax credit will go to families with incomes below \$75,000. And working families at the lowest income levels can keep virtually everything they earn. Lower taxes will allow families to spend more of the money they earn on such necessities as food, clothing, and education.

In addition, the tax plan: abolishes the "marriage-penalty" which punishes two-earner married couples, repeals the President's 1993 tax hike on Social Security benefits, provides tax relief for families who adopt children or care for an elderly parent or grandparent, as well as offers tax incentives so people can save more for their retirement and purchase long-term health care insurance.

This tax plan also helps with job creation. It provides small business tax relief and a capital gains tax cut so more people will invest their money in the economy. The govern-

ment should allow the private sector to build the economy and create jobs.

In short, this tax relief benefits families, seniors, children and jobs. This common-sense solution is just what working families need - more money in their pockets and less swallowed up by the government.



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OSHA is in Need of an Overhaul

Cynics say "No good deed goes unpunished." Although I am anything but a cynic, I know of no better illustration of that attitude than the way the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has interpreted congressional good intentions regarding worker safety.

In 1994, Competition Roofing Inc., Houston, was cited by OSHA 23 times for a grand total of \$13,000 in fines for: a cut in the insulation of an extension cord that was no longer in use (three violations), a bent rung on the bottom of a ladder (four violations) and a splintered handle on a broken shovel discarded in the back of a truck (\$400 fine).

OSHA is a prime example of the need for fundamental reform of our federal regulatory system. As much as any government agency, OSHA has come to symbolize what is wrong with the process.

OSHA's mission of reducing occupational hazards which result in injury and illness is a worthy one. But in practice, as one of the government's most aggressive, not to say confrontational, regulators, OSHA's enforcement methods have become increasingly arbitrary.

So on March 22 I introduced a bill to reform the 1970 Occupational Safety and Health Act. The purpose of my bill is clear cut: Through the application of common-sense tests for federal involvement, and by encouraging cooperation rather than confrontation, I believe we can make worksites both safer and more productive.

The act was never intended to give government permission to play "gotcha" with employers. But unfortunately, the way it is being enforced provides an example of regulatory excess that puts Americans out of work, lowers productivity and hampers the economic competitiveness of our country.

My bill would re-establish the original intent of Congress by removing some of the U.S. Department of Labor's discretionary rule-making power. It would clarify court rulings on workplace safety and instill a common-sense approach to achieving safety standards.

Among other provisions, the measure would reverse OSHA's current practice of establishing de facto quotas for bringing complaints against employers.

In Texas, an OSHA compliance officer from the Corpus Christi Area Office has stated under oath that OSHA area directors are under enormous pressure to produce high numbers of citations and penalties — regardless of actual workplace conditions. He made it clear that OSHA employees' job performance evaluations apparently depend on meeting certain internal quotas. This same compliance officer also testified that his supervisor had directed him to cite companies even when both the supervisor and inspector knew full well the firms had not violated any regulation and did not warrant a citation.

These are the kinds of practices that arbitrarily jeopardize businesses and the livelihoods of all who depend on them. This isn't supposed to happen in America — and it is the job of Congress to make sure it doesn't.

Amendment To Freeze Listings Endangered Species

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison said she is pleased that a House-Senate conference committee, in reconciling the Department of Defense Supplement Appropriations Bill, has preserved her amendment that would effectively impose a moratorium on any additional listings under the Endangered Species Act until the end of the fiscal year.

"This is a sign of significant progress toward improving the way in which the Endangered Species Act is being enforced," Senator Hutchison said. "The conference committee's decision is a clear indication that voters' wishes on this matter have been heeded."

Senator Hutchison attached her amendment to the Defense Supplemental Appropriations bill for fiscal year 1995 on March 16. The amendment rescinds \$1.5 million in funding for the U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service, which had been earmarked to pay for endangered species listings and designations of critical habitat through September 30, the end of fiscal year 1995.

"The Endangered Species Act has become a flash point for public dissatisfaction with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the federal government as a whole," Senator Hutchison said. "This moratorium will call a halt to what many feel is overly aggressive enforcement of the act. Current policy undermines private property rights and limits access to water and other resources. It also threatens public support for legitimate preservation efforts."

"The moratorium will give Congress time to amend the act to require Fish and Wildlife to take into account the economic and social impacts of its decisions," the Senator said. "Only then will full public support for the agency's mission be restored."

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"The program has been completely re-designed this summer," explained Brackettville Mayor Carmen Berlanga. "We are calling the program 'World of Work', or W.O.W., for short." Students will be offered the opportunity to attend summer school, earn college credit, receive 'SCANS' training and work maturity skills, or earn wages at a summer job. Mayor Berlanga stated that the percentage of students who are offered the opportunity to work during the summer is much greater than in past years.
All students who are enrolled in the work experience component will receive additional training at least one day per week at the local JTPA center. High school seniors who are graduating in May 1995 and meet the JTPA eligibility rules will be eligible to potentially participate in the College Bound program.
Eligible applicants will either be chosen on a first-come, first-serve basis, or on a local lottery basis. "The total number of participants who will be served depends upon the availability of funding that the program receives," explained Judge Tommy Seargeant, Middle Rio Grande Board of Directors member. Area Middle Rio Grande JTPA offices have a list of eligibility requirements for persons interested in the summer youth program. Interested persons are urged to inquire as early as possible in order to assure eligibility or to avoid a last minute rush.
Applications will only be accepted beginning on April 17 and will close on May 5, 1995, at 5 p.m.
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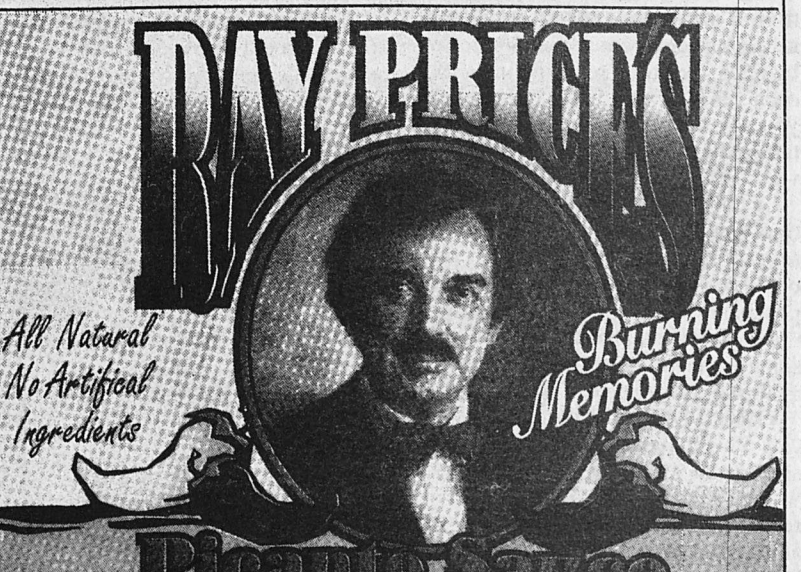


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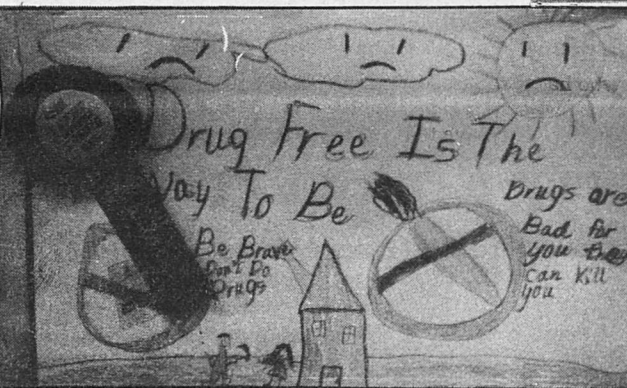
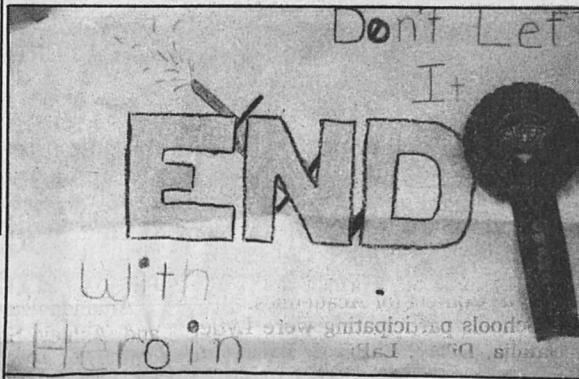
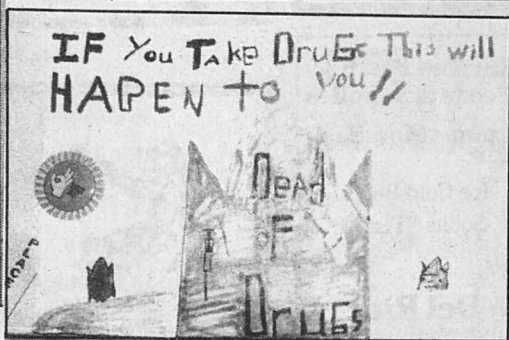
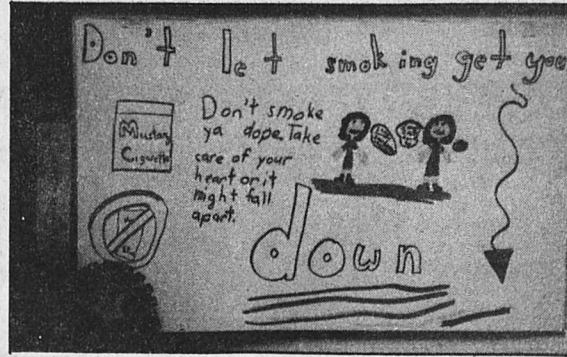
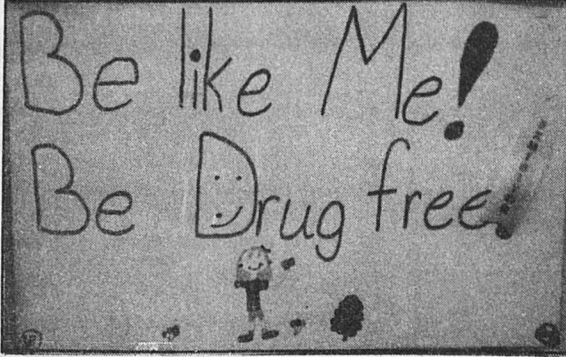
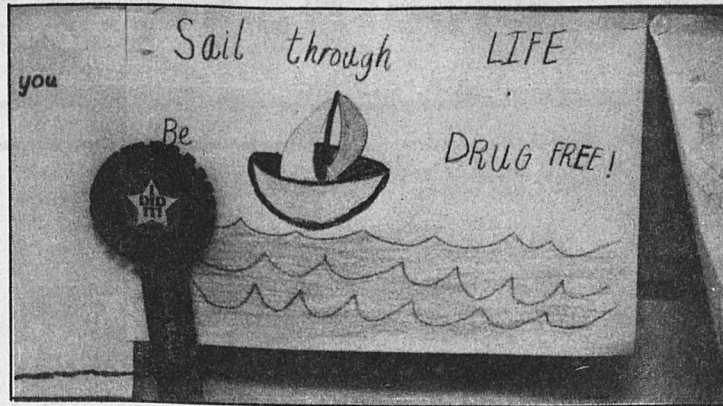
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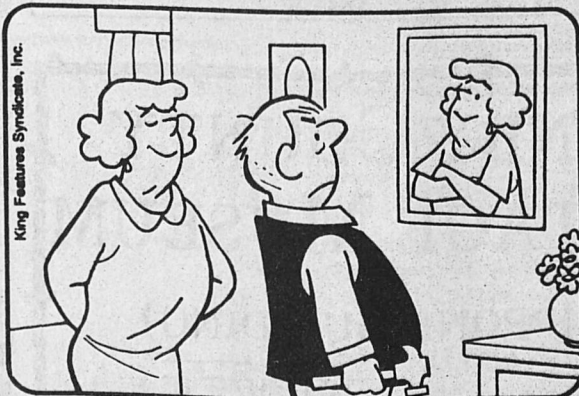
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Apr. 15 Guadalupe Abrigo
Apr. 15 John C. Sawchuk
Apr. 15 Loa Hundley
Apr. 16 Gertrude McNair
Apr. 17 Julie Ashabranner
Apr. 17 Roy Hutchens
Apr. 17 Josefina Monroy
Apr. 17 Jean Seargeant
Apr. 18 Marjorie Taunt
Apr. 18 San Juanita Abrigo
Apr. 18 Wilma Yates
Apr. 18 Roxanna Payne

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A genuine business opportunity arises, but you could be dealing with a person who's touchy and overly sensitive. This puts you off for the time being. However, by week's end, the situation is resolved to your satisfaction.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Confusion surrounding a business matter could end up irritating you. Don't let this stand in your way. Get to the bottom of what's going on. Recreational interests, travel and romance are highlighted this weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Some could receive a job offer that can be done from the home. This is the wave of the future and it should be considered quite seriously. The middle of the week brings unexpected visitors who drop in quite inconveniently.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Activities with children are a delight now. Partners seem to communicate by ESP since they're so in tune with each other at this time. Something you say later in the week could be taken the wrong way by someone who's overly sensitive.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Intuition puts you on the right track regarding a career concern. You could be considering making a major purchase for the home or family now. However, make sure you do some homework on this score. Guard against extravagance.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You'll have to be extra considerate of a partner's feelings this week. This person is being un-reasonable and petulant, but try to administer some tender loving care. The weekend looks good for travel and fun times with friends.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The week brings positive financial developments but you could have mixed feelings about a social invitation received. Consider this carefully since there could be an influential person just waiting to make your acquaintance.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You'll certainly be impressing others socially this week. However, a child will feel hurt if you don't share quality time together. Make sure to set time aside. A family member is cranky this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) While shopping for the home isn't especially favored now, you'll be pleased about all the new career developments which arise. You're ready now to take a project off the back burner and give it your full attention.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) It's a great week for traveling and visiting with friends, especially for those who are on vacation now. An acquaintance could show a romantic interest in you later in the week, taking you by surprise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're rather forgetful this week and you just could forget where you put something important. Don't fret. Relax and think about where you saw it last. You could receive financial backing for a project.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You could be overly effusive in personal dealings this week. Still, the week should bring happy times in the company of partners and friends. This weekend, accept invitations which come your way.

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BRACKETT ISD
April 1995

14 Friday HOLIDAY
17 Monday HOLIDAY
EARLY VOTING BEGINS
18 Tuesday
8:00am HEALTH INSPECTOR VISIT
11:00am MILLS - MEET WITH HONEYWELL REP
4:30pm BASEBALL - NATALIA - H
4:30pm V BASEBALL - NATALIA - HERE
BEGIN SIXTH SIX WEEKS 33 DAYS
19 Wednesday
10:00am CLUSTER V MEETING
20 Thursday
1:00pm DPS DRIVER'S ED TEST
4:30pm JV BASEBALL - SONORA - H
4:30pm JV BASEBALL - SONORA - HERE
21 Friday
7:00pm BASEBALL - LACKLAND - T
7:00pm V BASEBALL - LACKLAND - THERE
SAN ANTONIO BRASS

BISD Cafeteria Menu

Parents Welcome To Join Their Children At Breakfast Or Lunch.

BREAKFAST

Milk Served At All Meals
Three choices for breakfast:
1) Printed Menu; 2) Cereal, Toast, Fruit or Juice; 3) Two Toasts, Fruit or Juice.

LUNCH

Milk Served At All Meals
Salad Bar Available Everyday
"B" Line Everyday

April 17 - 21

- MONDAY Holiday
TUESDAY Tiger Toast
Fruit or Fruit Juice
WEDNESDAY Bean & Cheese Burrito
Picante
Fruit or Fruit Juice
THURSDAY Biscuits/Sausage
Fruit or Fruit Juice
FRIDAY Donut
Fruit or Fruit Juice

- MONDAY Holiday
TUESDAY Meat Loaf/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes - Choice of Veg.
WEDNESDAY Hamburger - Burger Salad
Fruit Crisp - French Fries
THURSDAY Tacos/Chesse - Taco Salad
Spanish Rice - Pinto Beans
FRIDAY Chicken Chop Suey/White Rice
Oriental Veggies - Fruit Roll
Fortune Cookie



Puzzle Answers On Page 3

Super Crossword

ACROSS
1 "Man" (78 tune)
6 Fish hooks
11 Comment from a crank
14 Wheel part
17 Leading men?
19 Popular vacation spot
20 Winter hazard
21 - Khan
22 Start of a remark
24 Dictionary
26 Asian holiday
27 Crossword puzzle part
28 Cut at an angle
30 Basketball venue
31 Walt Kelly's possum
32 Jacket style
34 Greek gathering places
35 British title
38 Big vein
39 "Bocanegra" (opera)
41 Way off base?
42 Sine - non
43 Part 2 of remark
48 Archibald and namesakes
50 Myanmar, formerly
52 Hwy.
53 He was liked in '56
54 Craftiness
55 Kapitan's command
57 Urban atmosphere: colloq.
58 Protest tactic
61 Author Wallace
62 Lingerie items
63 Singer
64 Bowled over
65 Part 3 of remark
70 Away from home
72 Bjorn's opponent
73 Spoken
74 Last stop
77 Pipeline part
78 Dynamo
80 Loon's relative
81 Salty spread
82 First lady?
83 Wear out the carpet
84 Act badly?
86 "We Dance?"
88 Part 4 of remark
92 Pie - mode
93 Choir member
94 Tremendous bargain
95 Pain grain?
97 Connecticut city
100 Big Band name
103 In a dull manner
105 Designer
106 Paint pigment
107 Actress
108 Film - figure
109 - Moines
112 Author Flannery
114 End of remark
118 "Sister Act" extra
119 Cow
120 Ms. Francis
121 Shape up
122 Palindromic preposition
123 Songstress
124 "Siddhartha" author
125 insomnia
126 "Andrew" (93 film)
127 Tite
128 Wise to
129 Powerful pooch
4 That woman
5 Astoria's locale
6 Fathom
7 Fine, volcanic lava
8 Prohibited
9 Chilling site?
10 Eydie's man
11 Clinton or Cosby
12 - Ventura: Pet Detective
13 Geometric figure
14 Indy entry
15 Actress
16 Feathered yankers
18 Beetle
19 Silly Skelton
23 Run amok
25 Jeremy of "House of the Spirits"
29 Imitation
31 Battery part
32 Divulge, with "out"
33 Corn Belt soil
34 " - & Andrew"
35 Frite
36 Wise to
37 Powerful pooch
40 "Say no more!"
42 Kind of error
44 Undo an error
45 Gatsby's creator
46 Steinbeck figure
47 Cleave
48 Understated
50 Wild hog
51 "Top Hat" star
56 Had kittens?
58 Red spider, for one
59 Shows one's teeth
60 Publisher
63 Make eyes at
64 Jazabel's husband
75 Nick of "The Prince of Tides"
76 Actor Alain
78 Goya's "The Naked -"
79 Vision-related
80 Yokel's exclamation
83 Victim
85 Shopper's Shangri-la
87 Reagan Cabinet member
89 Ruhr Valley city
90 Likely to last?
91 Connaisseur
96 Tannoyson's tales
97 Disposition
98 Inventor
99 Couch potato's woes
100 "Lorna -"
101 Take place
102 Swiss river
104 Punjab prince
107 Genealogy diagram
108 Vane dir.
109 Con
110 Ferrara first native
111 Defeat by a knockout
113 Be in debt
115 Si or oui
116 Actress Sue - Langdon
117 Guy's counterpart

Tiger Turf



Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON
BISD Curriculum Director



"I Pledge Allegiance..."

Who was the first president of the United States? How many branches are there in our government? What are the colors of the flag? These questions were particularly relevant to 16 Brackettville residents as they acquired citizenship in the United States on April 3, 1995. It's a good story. I want to tell it this week!

Hector Jimenez has been teaching citizenship classes sponsored by the Southwest Texas Junior College, Adult Basic Education Co-op since September. Josue (George) Garza, Jr. is the ABE Director from Uvalde. For many years, Hector Jimenez, BISD 5th grade teacher has tried to give back to his community. He taught citizenship classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from 6:00 to 8:00 to help dreams come true. Preparation classes were held in a classroom at Brackett ISD where the district helped support the project.

There are lots of movers and shakers in this accomplishment. How about Judge Tommy Seargeant for his initiative and start-up push. Secretarial support was given by Mary Shadwick who helped coordinate communication and helped plan with the trip to San Antonio for testing.

The Community Council of Southwest Texas was there helping. Beverly Ward, Services Coordinator for Kinney County's service area helped get the adults transported to the INS testing center in San Antonio. The local VFW, Post #8360, and its Auxiliary #8360, donated pencils, pamphlets and rules to the citizenship class.

All applicants took the exam in English. There are provisions that allow testing in Spanish for those who are over age 50 and who have lived in the United States for at least 20 years. Our folks chose English even though it was probably tougher.

Okay, get the picture? In this country, you can't vote if you are not a citizen. You feel lots of pride about being able to pledge allegiance as a citizen to the greatest country in the world. A person who has just passed the citizenship test feels the pride even more intensely. So, you have to pass a basic English test as a prelude to the citizenship test. The citizenship test is based on a knowledge of American History.

OUR LIST OF NEW

UNITED STATES CITIZENS
Husband and wife Ramon DeLeon and Melba DeLeon.
Maria Esparza, Jorge Gloria, Maria Duran Martinez, Maria Elena Molinar, Benjamin Rodriguez.
Natividad Martinez Sonora, Diane C. Castillo, Maria E. Villarreal, Auscencia Gonzalez.

Yolanda Flores and four of her children, twins Gabriel and Gabriela Flores, Susanna Flores, and Yolanda Flores Solis.

Folks, these are our friends and neighbors. They have reached a great milestone. As a proud citizen in behalf of all Americans, I extend the hand of community to you -- our brothers and sisters in this great country -- the USA. May you always be as proud of America as you are today. We are all proud of you!

This week, Hector Jimenez, BISD, Tommy Seargeant, George Garza, Jr., Mary Shadwick, Beverley Ward, the VFW & Auxiliary, and all organizations that helped with this project -- THANKS FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Tiger Salute

To the BHS Golf Teams and Coach Tom McNew. Our Varsity Boys and Girls won first place in district Monday. The JV Boys placed third.

Because of an ineligible player from another school, our JV boys along with our two varsity teams will qualify for Regional at San Marcos April 24 & 25.

Jared Shahan was boys medalist with a score of 78.

Karla Hall was girls medalist with a score of 96.

In 1992, the best boys score was 92.

This year, six golfers scored better than the 92. Each year we get better.

Coach McNew, Jared, Charlie, and all the other great golfers, we are proud. We believe in you.

Tiger Salute

To the Brackett Tiger Band under the direction of first year director, Chris Cantrell. Our band made a first division in concert and a first division in sight reading at the UIL contest in San Antonio this past Monday.

We are proud of the hard work that goes on here. We are proud that you showed us that Brackettville has one of the best bands in the San Antonio district. Keep up the good work. We believe in you.

Success is getting what you want; happiness is wanting what you get.

—Charles F. Kettering

Brackett 8th Grade Girls Win District In Track

By KATHY BADER
Friday, April 7, the Middle School traveled to Pearsall for the District Track Meet.

The 8th grade girls came away from the "meet" with the highest point total to win their division.

The 8th grade boys placed third. The 7th grade boys placed third and the 7th grade girls placed fourth. A great day for all the athletes!

TRIPLE JUMP

8th grade
Jennifer Ashabranner was 2nd with a jump of 29.3 feet
Jamie Bader was 6th with 26.7 1/2 ft

7th grade
LaToya Wright was 6th with 24.7 1/2 ft

8th
Matthew Smallwood placed 3rd

7th grade
Jacob Hughes was 1st
Zachry Davis was 2nd
Alex DeLeon was 5th

HIGH JUMP

8th grade
Jennifer Ashabranner was 1st at 4.2
Tiffany Eckenrod was 3rd at 4.0

7th
Tara Eckenrod was 4th

8th
Matthew Smallwood was 3rd, David Honstien was 4th, and James Burks was 5th

POLE VAULT

Brandon Moore was 1st

SHOT PUT

8th grade
Stacey Flores was 3rd
Patty Lopez was 4th

7th grade
Mary Alice Coronado was 4th and Sunni Jones was 5th

8th grade
Bobby Castro was 6th

LONG JUMP

8th grade
Jamie Bader was 3rd

7th grade
LaToya Wright was 6th with 11.10

8th grade
David Honstien was 3rd
Brent Smith was 5th
James Burks was 6th

7th grade
Jacob Hughes was 6th

DISCUS

8th grade
Hilda Aguirre was 1st; Amanda Petrosky was 4th with 67.11, and Patty Lopez was 5th

7th grade
Mary Alice Coronado was 3rd, Sunni Jones was 4th

8th grade
Bobby Castro got 5th

2400 METER RUN

8th grade
Darla Campos came in 2nd

400 METER RELAY

8th grade
Stacy Flores, Tiffany Eckenrod, Samantha Payne and Patty Lopez came in 4th

8th grade
David Honstien, James Burks, Matthew Smallwood and Brent Smith came in 1st at 49.61

7th grade
Jacob Hughes, Zackry Davis, Brandon Moore and Cody Williams was 3rd

800 METER RUN

8th grade
Molly Montalvo was 1st, Amanda Petrosky was 3rd, and Ana DeLeon was 5th

8th grade
David Honstien was 1st at 2.21

7th grade
Alex DeLeon was 5th

100 METER HURDLES

8th grade
Brent Smith was 1st at 18.30

100 METER DASH

8th grade
Stephanie Terrazas was 4th

8th grade
James Burks was 3rd with 12.93

800 METER RELAY

8th grade
Tiffany Eckenrod, Samantha Payne, Jamie Bader and Patty Lopez were 1st

400 METER RUN

8th grade
Jamie Bader was 2nd
Jennifer Ashabranner was 4th

7th grade
Connie Castro was 4th, LaToya Wright was 5th, and Alex Areolla was 6th

400 METER RUN

Grade 8
Matthew Smallwood was 2nd

300 METER HURDLES

7th grade
Jacob Hughes was 4th and Brandon Moore was 6th

200 METER DASH

8th grade
Stacy Flores was 3rd and Tiffany Eckenrod was 4th

1600 METER RUN

8th grade
Molly Montalvo was 1st, Amanda Petrosky was 3rd

7th grade
Brandon Moore was 3rd

1600 METER RELAY

8th grade
Jennifer Ashabranner, Jamie Bader, Samantha Payne, and Stacey Flores were 1st

8th grade
Brent Smith, James Burks, Matthew Smallwood, and David Honstien were 1st

7th grade
Boys placed 2nd (names not available at press time)

Coaches Tammy Coggins and Dutch Wardlaw did a great job getting the athletes ready for this competition. There was great effort and tremendous heart shown at the District Meet.

1995 District 29-AA UIL Academic Results High School - Middle School

Extemporaneous Informative Speaking

4th AMANDA PETROSKY
5th place XAVIER TOMS

Poetry Interpretation

1st WENDY GOODLOE

Feature Writing

6th SAMANTHA PEREZ

Headline Writing

4th RECCIA JOBE

New Writing

3rd CHRIS HALE

Computer Applications

5th BRANDY MEEKS

Current Issues and Events

3rd CHRIS HALE

2nd Place Team LISA DALTON

CHRIS HALE, MANUEL RAMON

Ready Writing

5th RECCIA JOBE

Science

3rd SEAN BURKS

2nd Place Team SEAN BURKS

(Alt) LISA DALTON

PATRICK DALTON

Spelling and Vocabulary

3rd VALARIE JIMENEZ

5th BRANDY MEEKS

2nd Place S-V Team VALERIE JIMENEZ

BRANDY MEEKS

ZOILA HERRERA

8th Grade

Number Sense

3rd AARON TAYLOR

Impromptu Speaking

3rd AMANDA PETROSKY

Ready Writing

5th TANNER JOBE

4th AMANDA PETROSKY

Spelling

6th AMANDA PETROSKY

Modern Oratory

6th AMANDA PETROSKY

7th Grade

Ready Writing

1st MICHELLE VILLARREAL

Life Science

1st JAMES BURKS

Calculator

3rd ALEXANDRA ARREOLA

Ready Writing

5th SUNNI JONES

Prose Reading

6th MICHELLE MELANCON

Dictionary Skills

6th (tie) LAURA LEE BALLEW

6th Grade

Music Memory

1st Place Team (Perfect Score)

DAVID LOPEZ

CHRIS PETROSKY

JEFFREY MILLS

Listening

2nd (tied) JEFFREY MILLS

Maps, Graphs & Charts

5th TANNER JOBE

1994-95 District 29-AA Academic Standings

1. Lytle High School

2. Cole High School

3. Lackland High School

4. Brackett High School

5. Natalia High School

6. LaPryor High School

7. Dilley High School

District UIL Meet Held In Brackett

On March 27 and April 1, Jones Elementary School and the Brackett ISD were hosts to the UIL District 29-AA University Interscholastic League Contest for Academics.

Schools participating were Lytle, Natalia, Dilley, LaPryor, Lackland, and Brackettville. Grades involved were second through fifth. Contests included Art Contest, Calculator Applications, Creative Writing, Dictionary Skills, Earth & Life Science, Impromptu Speaking, Listening, Maps - Graphs & Charts, Modern Oratory, Music Memory, Number Sense, Oral Reading, Ready Writing, Spelling, Storytelling.

Jones Elementary School placed fourth with an excellent score of 134. Lytle was first with 292 points, Natalia was second with 195 points and Dilley was third with 185 points. Trailing Brackettville was LaPryor and Lackland with 79 and 9 points respectively.

In fourth and fifth grade competition, Jones Elementary School scored 13 points in Art Contest, 23 in Maps - Graphs & Charts (1st place), 20 in Music Memory (1st place), 6 in Ready Writing, and 25 in Spelling (first place).

In grades three and four, Jones Elementary scored second place in Art Contest with 17 points and first place in Storytelling with 30 points.

Amanda Davis, Maria Martinez, and Ashley Smith were the focal contestants in 3rd and 4th grade Spelling with Megan McWilliams the alternate.

In fourth grade Picture Memory the Brackett team of Brittany Moore, Laura Negrete, Nicole Mata, Megan McWilliams, Celina Cano, and Jonathen Denman - alternate, placed second.

In second grade Creative Writing, the Brackett team was composed of Courtney Frerich, Jared Grubbs, Whitney Hobbs, and Whitney Massingill, alternate.

Brackett's third and fourth grade Ready Writing contestants were Ashley Smith, Beth Ballew, Allison LaMascus, and Vanessa Glass, alternate.

Jared Hobbs, Phillip Munoz, and Jake Bostick were Brackett's fourth grade contestants in Number Sense.

Representing Jones Elementary in fourth and fifth grade Oral Reading were Duquesa Hunt, Susannah Davis, Jake Bostick, and Jaime Montalvo alternate.

Brackett's third grade Story Telling contestants placed as follows: Deitrich Davis - 2nd; Amanda Davis - 3rd, and Vanessa Glass - 4th.

Fifth grade Spelling contestants were Lloyd Lee Davis who placed 1st and Jaime Montalvo who placed 4th. Raymond Gomez was the alternate.

The fifth grade Art team of Susannah Davis, Duquesa Hunt and Jaime Montalvo placed third.

In fifth grade Ready Writing, Duquesa Hunt placed fifth with

Raymond Gomez and Manuel Madrid also competing. Michelle Bizzell was the alternate.

Fifth grade Number contestants included Levi Duncan, Lee Davis, Tony Molinar and Raymond Gomez.

Davis Campas, Sherry Villarreal, Carlos Gomez, with Tony Rubio as alternate, carried the banner for BISD in fifth grade Dictionary Skills.

In fifth grade Maps - Graphs & Charts, Joshua Garey placed 1st and Susannah Davis placed 4th. Amanda Ward was the third contestant and Duquesa Hunt was alternate.

The team of Tony Molinar, Raymond Gomez, and Fabian Farias placed 1st in fifth grade Music Memory.

Listening contestants were Brandi Wilson, Raymond Gomez, Joey Escamilla and Angel DeHoyes, alternate.

Each contest had at least 17 entries. Jones Elementary were strong contenders and merit recognition. The faculty and staff are also to be commended for the outstanding job they did as host school.

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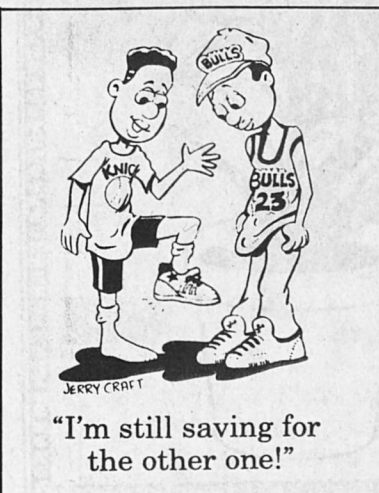
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IN LOVING MEMORY OF NICK NIXON, HAPPY EASTER, HONEY
If yellow roses grow in Heaven, Lord, pick a few for me. Please place them in my honey's arms, and tell him they're from me. Tell him I love him and miss him more every day. Then when he turns and smiles, put your arms around him and hold him for awhile.
Remembering him is easy, I do it everyday; but there is an ache I feel that never goes away. Memories grow more precious still when loved ones have to part. But, honey, you'll remain forever in the garden of my heart.
All my love forever and always, Genie
P.S. Us too, Daddy, Deb & Dub

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR GEEDA, NICK NIXON
Kids need granddads, they need their understanding and special love they give so free and undemanding. They need their faith and values, support in times of sorrow, their memories of times gone by and visions of tomorrow. They need a hug that's comforting as can be, they need that special touch to heal a wounded knee.
Yes, kids need granddads, and we were truly blessed when God gave you, He gave his very best.
We love you and miss you, Geeda, especially at Easter.
Shannon and Buddy Horton

Nick was a holiday person and loved doing special things for his family. At Easter he was always out early to hide eggs, not just for his kids, but nieces and nephews as well and not just one generation but two. Among those who enjoyed his Easters and finding the eggs were Debbie & Dub, Susanne & Marty & Amy, Speck, Cheri, Les, Jeff, Stephanie, Nicole, Shannon, and Buddy. He loved them all and they loved him.
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As Jesus entered Jerusalem, the city of possession of peace, he was welcomed as royalty, a king and ruler. But that experience was short-lived for in just a few days he would be leaving the city and he would do so as a thief and a pauper, a common criminal. Jesus had been arrested and imprisoned because of the evil plot of Jewish leaders. He was first taken to the High Priest and the Sanhedrin court of the Jews. Then being bound was sent to Pontius Pilate who wants nothing to do with him sends Jesus on to King Herod. There Herod's men disrobed him and made sport of him before Herod returned Jesus to the Judgment Hall of Pilate. At that time Jesus was severely beaten and a sentence was passed upon him that he should be crucified.

As he prepared or was prepared by others to leave the city he was given a crown of humiliation, one of thorns. He was mocked as they placed a reed in his right hand and knelt before him hailing him, King of the Jews. They spat at him and beat him on the head with the reed that had been placed in his hand. Tradition has it that he carried his own cross of crucifixion until he was so drained of strength that he no longer could and then another man was forced to carry it for him. He was nailed to a cross as a common criminal between two thieves. A few hours later he was placed in a borrowed tomb.

As we think on the maltreatment of Jesus again this Easter it is nearly impossible to imagine that any one could deal out such treatment to a man. It was done, it was finished. I took part in that crucifixion and so did you. How can that be? We weren't there, we hadn't been born. Our sin placed him there. Our sin nailed him to the cross. I Peter 2:24 tells us, *who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness...* We put him there. He died in our place that we might live. *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.* John 3:16, 17.

This is the week when we call to mind the death of Jesus Christ on that cross.

While certainly none of us were even spectators at that momentous event, we are all guilty of the sins that caused Jesus to be crucified.

Jesus came into the world as the appointed of God the Father to die to pay the price for sin that any one can profit from by simply putting their faith in Him.

Represented at the cross was arrogance. The religious zealots who felt they were so superior to the people were the ones who clamored the loudest for the death of Jesus.

Greed was one of the prime motivations of those calling for Christ to be crucified. He had destroyed the nefarious practices of the priests who used the temple as a marketplace for sacrificial animals and exchanging money so the worshippers could pay their temple tax.

Jealousy was there. Wherever Jesus went the crowds followed.

When he went into the hills, the cities emptied themselves so people could be where Jesus was. The priests and pharisees could not be comfortable knowing Jesus was so popular with the masses while they were largely ignored.

Slander was well represented at the cross. Labeling Jesus as an imposter and mocking his integrity were stock in trade for those demanding his death.

Any form of sin was represented at the foot of the cross. The amount of any sin (anything so defined in the Bible) is the degree to which each of us was responsible for the death of the Son of God on the cross.

Because Jesus died on the cross any and all sin can be forgiven. Jesus made the decision to die for sin and each of us must decide to have faith in Him to make his death effective for us.

The resurrection of Jesus will be the theme of worship at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday morning. Come and see.

Community Easter Sunrise Services

7:00 a.m. Sunday, April 16
Amphitheater, Fort Clark Springs
Church of Christ Minister Ray Melton
Will Bring The Easter Message
Community Pastors and The Voices Will Participate

Obituary
W.H. "Walt" Wardlaw



Walter H. "Walt" Wardlaw, age 78, died April 7, 1995, in Del Rio. He was born August 15, 1916, in Del Rio to pioneer ranchers C.B. "Dutch" and Emma Whitehead Wardlaw.

He was a graduate of Del Rio High School and attended Southwestern University.

Mr. Wardlaw was a founding member, director and honorary vice president of the American Quarter Horse Association, life member of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association, 32nd degree Mason, member of the Elks Lodge, past director of Producers Wool and Mohair, director of Del Rio National Bank, and member of the First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Mattye Gwen Kercheville Wardlaw; sons and daughters-in-law Hadley and Tulisha Wardlaw of Brackettville, Benton and Nancy Wardlaw of Del Rio; grandchildren Lashawn Wardlaw of Brackettville, Leisha and Tony Ashley of San Antonio, Dutch and Laura Jane Wardlaw of Brackettville, Wendy Wardlaw of San Antonio, Robin Wardlaw of Bander, Whitney Wardlaw of Del Rio; sister Mary Emma Brumley of Del Rio; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, April 9, 1995, at First United Methodist Church, Del Rio, with Rev. Larry Howard officiating. Interment followed at Westlawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Martin Wardlaw, Dutch Wardlaw, Billy London, Jerry Simpton, Acton Brumley, Wayne Brown, Johnny Kercheville, James L. Carter. Honorary pallbearers were Tuffy Whitehead, Charles Bruce, Virgil Cauthorn, Bobby Cauthorn, D.A. Herrington, Clyde Earwood, Jim Harding, Pat Rose, Jim Bob Altizer, James Leonard, Will F. Whitehead, Byron Hodge, and Blanks Oglesby.

News Release

The San Antonio Brass will present a concert in Brackettville on Friday, April 21. The Brass Quintet is known throughout the region for its artistry and versatility in playing classical, semi-classical, popular, and patriotic music.

The feature concert will be presented at 8:00 p.m. at the Fort Clark Springs Amphitheatre. The open air amphitheatre will be a perfect setting for the brass concert.

Ticket cost is \$3.00. Tickets are available at the First State Bank, Brackett News, FCS Member Services, and FCS Adult Center or by calling 210-563-2195.

The ensemble will present concerts for Brackett School students during the afternoon of Friday, April 21.

The performance is sponsored locally for area residents by the Kinney County Arts Council in cooperation with the Texas Arts Council.

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Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

And the angel answered and said unto the women, fear not; for I know that ye seek Jesus, who was crucified.

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St. Matthew 28:5-7

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Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 am, 6:00 pm, Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.
First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 am., Sunday Worship 11:00 am and 7:00 pm, Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm, Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.
Baptist Hispanic Mission, 307 N. Ann Street, Friday, 6:00 pm, Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor.
Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am, Bible Study Sunday 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm.
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 am, Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 pm, Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 am, Regular 10:30 am, Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 pm, Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 pm, Dr. David G. Zumaya, Pastor.
First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 am, Church School Classes 9:45 am, Service of Worship 11:00 am, Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 pm, Gordon Miller, Pastor.
St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm, Worship Service Thursday 7:00 pm, William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.
Lutheran Congregation: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 6 p.m., Shafter Hall, FCS, 563-2047.
Templo Elm Asambea de Dios: North Street, Sunday 10:00 am and 6:00 pm, Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 pm, Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is requesting proposals from qualified businesses for ten (10) notebook size computers. The following minimum specifications for each computer must be met by businesses wishing to respond to this request for proposals:

- 486 DX2/50MHz Microprocessor
- 340 megabyte hard disk drive on board minimum
- eight (8) megabyte ram expandable
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- minimum three (3) year warranty
- carrying case
- Total weight not to exceed seven (7) lbs. with all specifications included

The deadline for submission of proposals is Friday, May 5, 1995, 10:00 a.m. at the MRGDC Central Office, 1904 N. First Street, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs TX 78834.

Proposal packets may be obtained by contacting Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration at the MRGDC VOICE or TDD number 210/876-3533.

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Pet Care

by Cleo & Brad Conrad

PET DIET TIPS:
* Cut out all treats and table snacks during the weight-loss period.
* Divide the daily food allowance for cats/dogs into two to four small meals a day. Do not use "free-choice" feeding.
* Weigh your pet at the same time of day at least once a week. Keep a weight record.
* Feed your pets one at a time. A dieting pet may move to the bowl of his housemates to get more.
* Feed cats/dogs before you eat and keep pets in another room during meals to discourage begging.
* Make sure that indoor and outdoor garbage cans have secure covers.
* Always provide plenty of clean, fresh water.
* Exercise your pet on a regular basis, starting slowly with short activity periods and gradually increasing the exercise time. For dogs, begin with walking and eventually move on to games that require running. There are a number of toys for cats that provide good exercise.

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Patients who are inclined toward claustrophobia may find the tube on an MRI unit somewhat confining. If necessary, you may ask to be given a sedative. Also, you will have to hold completely still for extended periods. Except for a tapping sound produced by the scanner, there is no sensation during the procedure.

Dr. L. Gill Naul is a senior staff physician and chief of the Section of Magnetic Resonance Imaging at Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple, Texas, and an associate professor at Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine.

If you have a question, please write to: Scott & White Public Affairs Dept., 2401 S. 31st St., Temple, TX 76508

Presenting delicious trouble-free one-pan meals

With today's hectic lifestyles, who has the time, or the energy, to prepare and enjoy a homemade dinner? Too often, many of us simply eat when we have the time and choose the foods that are most convenient to prepare. As a result, "meals on the go" (grabbing a bite at a fast food restaurant—or throwing leftovers into the microwave) have become commonplace.

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Country Homestyle

Chicken Pot Pie

- 1 can (10-1/2 oz.) low-sodium chicken broth (or 1-1/4 cup water)
- 2/3 cup Village Sauerie Country Homestyle
- 1 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen mixed vegetables, partially thawed
- 1 refrigerated ready-to-use pie crust

Preheat oven to 400°F (425°F for metal pie plate). In a 9-inch deep dish pie plate, combine chicken broth and Village Sauerie Country Homestyle. Stir in chicken and frozen vegetables.

Place pie crust over chicken mixture. Fold under edges and flute against rim of pie plate to seal. Cut four 2-inch slits in crust to vent.

Place on cookie sheet. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes, or until crust is golden

and chicken is done. Let pie cool 10 minutes before serving. Makes 8 servings.

Per Serving: Calories 230, Protein 17g, Fat 9g, Cholesterol 35mg, Sodium 560mg, Carbohydrates 21g.

Chicken Dinner Casserole

- 1 can (14-1/2 oz.) stewed tomatoes
- 1 cup hot water
- 3/4 cup Village Sauerie Garlic & Herb
- 1-1/2 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breast halves
- 2 large (7 oz.) red potatoes cut lengthwise into eight pieces
- 1 can (13-1/2 oz.) mushroom stems and pieces, drained
- 1-1/2 cup frozen cut green beans, partially thawed*

Preheat oven to 425°F (400°F for glass baking dish). Drain tomatoes, reserving liquid.

In a 13x9x2-inch baking pan, combine liquid from tomatoes, hot water and Village Sauerie Garlic & Herb. Place chicken in sauce; turn to coat well. Add potatoes, mushrooms and green beans; top with stewed tomatoes.

Cover with foil and bake 45 minutes. Remove foil. Bake chicken with sauce and continue baking 5 minutes, or until chicken is done. Makes 8 servings.

*Green pepper strips, broccoli flowerets, peas or other vegetable of choice may be used instead of green beans.

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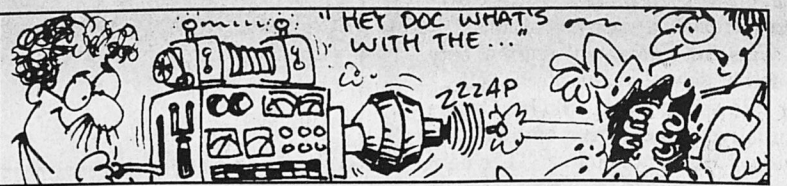
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kind of weather they can expect during their T-1A training flight. Aircrews receive a complete

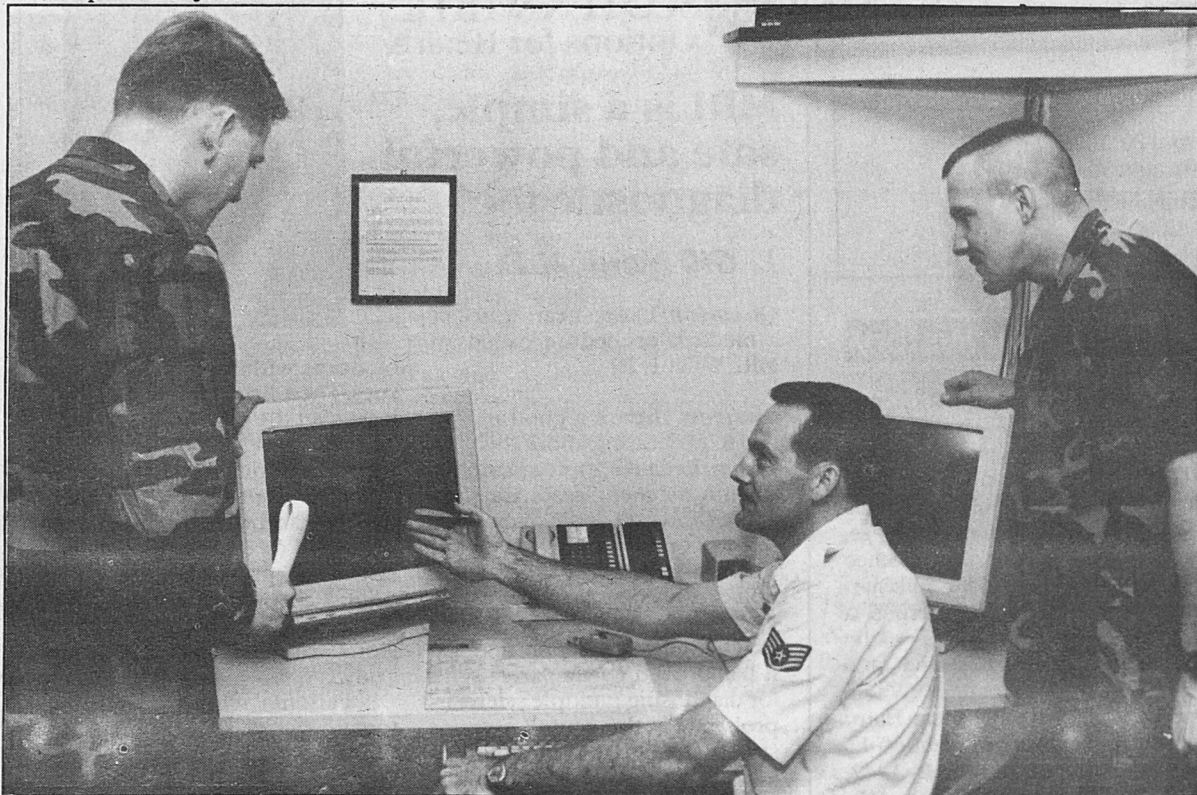
weather briefing covering their route before stepping out to the aircraft.



MSgt. Robert DuFrane (left) Weather Flight superintendent and AETC's Weather Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year for

1994, briefs Capt. Mark Heifferon (center) and Capt. Chris Wood prior to their T-37 mission. The 15

members of the Weather Flight provide support for all facets of wing operations 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



1st Lt. Mark Lajoie (left), Weather Flight Commander, SSgt. Warren Weyer (center) and SrA Kevin Hen-

nessy discuss a current weather analysis chart of the United States. The 15-member Weather Flight was

recently named the Best Weather Flight in Air Education and Training Command for 1994.

Laughlin Air Force Base Weather Operations

Story and photos by Ron Scharven, 47 FTW Public Affairs, LAFB

You've heard what people say about South Texas weather, "wait five minutes and it will change." Or "everyone talks about the weather but nobody ever does anything about it." Tucked away in a series of offices behind the duty desk at Base Operations are a group of people dedicated to providing the best possible weather information to the 47th Flying Training Wing.

The Weather Flight, part of the 47th Operations Support Squadron, comprises 15 people who work 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to provide weather support for all facets of wing operations. According to MSgt. Robert DuFrane, the flight's superintendent, "Christmas, Thanksgiving, all holidays, someone is always here."

The flight was recently named the Best Weather Flight in Air Education and Training Command for 1994. Two flight members were also named best in the command. MSgt. Robert DuFrane was named the command's Weather Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year and SSgt. Warren Weyer, the flight's NCOIC, was named the command's Outstanding Weather Forecaster of the Year.

Seven forecasters and five observers handle the day-to-day operations of the Weather Flight. And there is a difference between an observer and a forecaster. DuFrane said that a forecaster can handle any task in the (weather) station. An observer can only handle current duty tasks, i.e., observing current weather conditions and processing certain data for the WRS-88D Doppler Radar. "Certain things require interpretation," he said, "and you learn that going through the forecaster school."

DuFrane said that in about 18 months there will be no difference between a forecaster and an observer. "Right now, people go through an 11 week observer school at Kessler AFB, MS.," he explained. "The schools, observer and forecaster, moved there about three years ago when Chanute AFB, IL., closed. After three years in the field as an observer, people go back for the 7½ month forecaster school. There is a shortage of forecasters worldwide since people learn they don't want to stay in the field. It is very stressful in many situations."

The Air Force will start a new weather school in March 95. RISC or Revised Initial Skills Course Initiative will combine both schools into a 10½ month course. "The new course will take a young airman from nothing to the equivalent of about the start of the fourth year at

major university in a meteorology curriculum," DuFrane said. "Students will take math, physics and climatology courses. Our current course washout rate is about 10% but about a 40% washout rate is expected with the new course," he added. With the added emphasis on math and science, the Air Force has to define a new screening process for incoming students for the weather course.

DuFrane said that when a student completes the course, he or she won't be an observer or forecaster but will be called a meteorologist.

"The only difference between them and someone at the National Weather Service is that they haven't completed their college degree requirements," he explained. "It will take about 7 to 8 months to train them in the practical applications of what they've just learned. That's 1½ years of school and training to be a meteorologist."

DuFrane was asked what the hardest thing about being in weather was. "Ops knows what we do," he explained, "but lots of other customers think we do weather for the Weather Channel. People don't

fully understand what our mission is. Basically our job is weather support for wing flight operations, everything else is secondary."

Although I'm familiar with weather operations, the same question had crossed my mind since I watch the Weather Channel and see the current conditions from Laughlin. DuFrane laughed and said, "that all the observations from Laughlin are transmitted via telephone lines to Tinker AFB, OK. All weather data from U.S. weather stations, military and civilian, are consolidated at Tinker and then routed back out to certain users. We're the only station between San Antonio, Midland, and south of San Angelo that takes full element observations, that is someone is physically observing clouds, visibility and current weather phenomena. DuFrane said that most places are going to an automated surface observing system that is limited in what it can report.

The observations from the Laughlin Weather Flight are important in forecasting severe weather for South Texas. "Data is limited to the west over Mexico in trying to forecast weather," DuFrane explained.

"Weather normally progresses on a west to east path and you look into the weather to see what's happening and that makes it difficult since the closest station is 300 miles west in Big Bend National Park. By the time it gets to us, it could have changed drastically and it usually does."

The flight recently received a boost, a huge volleyball-shaped boost, to assist in forecasting. If you've driven to San Antonio on Highway 90, you've seen the huge radome about 8 miles east of Brackettville. That is NEXRAD or Next Generation Radar.

"NEXRAD operations is software-driven," explained DuFrane. "The system solar aligns itself with the sun everyday at sunrise and sunset, setting itself with true North.

It's pretty much maintenance-free but there have been a few software problems. We're waiting on a new software package to correct a couple of deficiencies. Four sites were chosen to test the new software and we are the only military site chosen out of almost 200 sites nationwide."

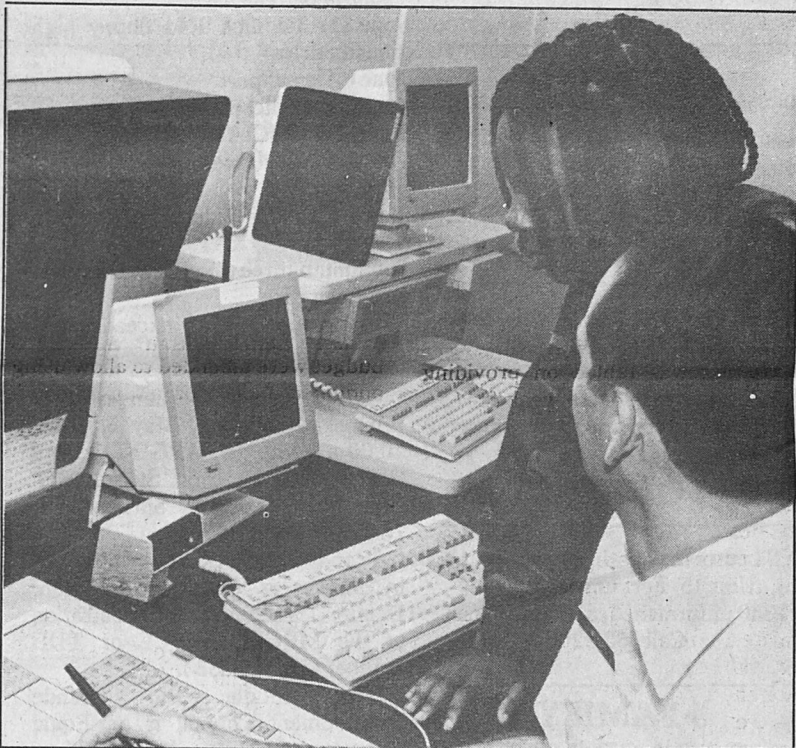
"That our weather flight has control of the NEXRAD radar is a feather in our cap," DuFrane said.

DuFrane has been in weather his whole career, 18 years the end of April. This is what he wanted to do when he enlisted. He has seen a lot of changes during his career. "One of the best things ever done was to put weather operations under the host wing," he said. Before October 1,

1991, we were just a tenant unit on a base, customers saw us only on a business basis. Now, since we are under the wing, we are really part of it all, rather than just outsiders looking in.

I asked what it takes to be named the best in the command. DuFrane's answer was simple -- "a whole lot of hard work."

Weather is not an exact science. DuFrane said that weather is probably one of the few if not the only job in the Air Force whose criteria "of what we're doing is subjective as opposed to objective. Weather is greater than 98% subjective," he said. "That's hard to measure."



SSgt. Warren Weyer (left), Weather Flight's NCOIC and the command Outstanding Weather Forecaster of the Year, discusses a NEXRAD radar display on the March 7 storm that struck the base and

Del Rio with Amn. LaKisha Burton. NEXRAD, located eight miles east of Brackettville, provides the first warning link of severe weather for the base, Del Rio, San Antonio, and South Texas.

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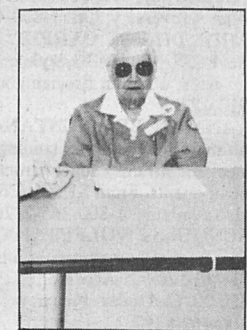
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Local Governmental Entities Meet

Commissioners Wrestle With Short Fall Of Funds

Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Cordelia Mendeke, and Paul O'Rourke were present at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 6, 1995, when Judge Tommy Seargeant called the Kinney County Commissioners Court into special session.

No bills were presented for approval. Commissioner Frerich made a motion that a one-time employee raise for payment of automobile liability insurance be made to Albert Payne since he uses his personal vehicle for county business. Commissioner Mendeke seconded the motion and the three commissioners voted in favor of it.

Mendeke moved that persons who had been assessed community service time be used to clean the County Cemetery before Easter. The second came from Frerich and the three commissioners voted yes.

Mendeke made a motion not to approve item 1.6 (budget amendments) and it was seconded by Frerich. All three commissioners voted yes.

A lengthy discussion ensued concerning revenue not reaching expectations and the extreme need to curtail expenses in all departments. The sheriff's department has not had the federal prisoner care enrollment expected resulting in a serious shortfall of funds for that department. Neither has the volume of traffic violations kept pace as in previous years.

The court entered into budget workshop for a more in-depth evaluation of a plan of action.

The addition of a second full-time highway patrolman in Kinney County perhaps will help some in this area.

Court Opposes Term Limitations For County Officials

At 9:00 a.m. Monday, April 10, 1995, Judge Tommy Seargeant called the Kinney County Commissioners Court to order with Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Joe Montalvo, Cordelia Mendeke, and Paul O'Rourke present. Minutes of March 13, 20, 23, and 29 were corrected and approved on a motion by Paul O'Rourke, seconded by Cordelia Mendeke, with all four commissioners voting yes.

Reports of the county librarian Sara Terrazas and road administrator Cliff Fritter were accepted by all four commissioners following a motion by Mendeke seconded by O'Rourke.

The above motion included paying the county bills.

Mendeke moved to accept the treasurer's and county auditor's reports. Montalvo seconded the motion which passed.

Items 1.5 (personnel policy) and 1.6 (TDHC contract) has no updates therefore were not discussed.

Action was tabled on providing office space one day a week for QC-CADA (Quad-County Council Alcohol Drug Abuse) intervention specialist until County Attorney Tully shahan could review the request.

A resolution was passed opposing term limits for county officials as a part of House Bill 76. Mendeke made the motion, second came from O'Rourke, all four commissioners and the judge voted for the motion.

Frerich moved to approve a request from Mr. Rodrigues to put a pipe line on county easement. Montalvo seconded the motion and all four commissioners voted yes.

A request from Little League to move and use county tables and chairs to the Little League field for a fund raiser BBQ on April 22 was denied as county policy prohibits removing furniture from county premises.

Approval was given to use the west side of the Civic Center in case of bad weather however tables and chairs will not be available due to a previously scheduled activity on the East side of the Center that requires the furniture.

Ernest Galindo, Texas Association of Counties, visited with the court and offered to conduct a free safety workshop and explained that county personnel holding CDL licenses (sheriff's department and EMS) must submit to drug testing. He commended the county for the low number (7) of accidents reported the past year.

At 10:45 the court entered into executive session and reconvened in regular session at 11:26.

Taking up the addendum to the regular agenda, the court postponed until Thursday a resolution in support of a V.A. clinic being placed in Del Rio.

Line items within the EMS budget were amended to allow using budgeted funds for ambulance attendants slots now vacant to hire A FULL TIME/part time ambulance attendant. The motion came from Mendeke, seconded by O'Rourke with all four commissioners voting for the motion.

Mendeke moved, O'Rourke seconded, to transfer \$202 from auditor's extra help to parks/grounds to cover vehicle liability insurance on a one-time basis for Payne as previously approved.

The court session was recessed until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 13, at which time a duly posted agenda to open bids for AATNF vehicles and consideration of budget reductions along with bills/reports will be added to the tabled items.

The court entered into budget workshop at 1:30 p.m.

Board Identifies Summer Projects

The BISD Board of Trustees met at 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 10, 1995, with president Jimmy Bader presiding. In attendance were board members Rose Mary Slubar, Jewel Robinson, Stan Conoly, Jim McDaniel, Gloria Garcia, and Darlene Shahan. Minutes of meetings held March 13 and March 29 were approved as printed and mailed to board members.

Summer campus projects of repair/renovation/construction for the "old" high school were adopted at a cost of approximately \$78,000. Approval came to use Architect Mike Marrs for the project. Both actions were unanimous.

An estimated \$25,000 was approved for construction of a baseball field, and a committee of Jim Bader, Allen McCord, baseball coach, athletic director, Kathy Bader and David Luna was named to guide the project. These actions were also unanimous.

Historical exemptions were granted to Charles Downing and Molly Schroeder.

Band director Chris Cantrell displayed a trophy the band earned today (April 10) with a #1 in concert and a #1 in sight reading. He also introduced Wendy Goodloe who modeled a band uniform which he requested the board to consider purchasing for 1995-96. The board approved buying 35 of the uniforms at \$227 each plus 10 color guard uniforms at \$100 each.

Counselor Susan Harrison distributed copies of a well-organized, very informative high school student pre-registration booklet and explained the processes outlined. The publication was well received by the board.

TASB policy - drug testing for bus drivers - was passed on second reading. Superintendent Mills informed the board that mandatory drug testing for all employees of a government entity, who were not involved in critical issues, was not legal.

Mr. Mills reported to the board that the National Guardian Security system had a price tag of \$5700 a year and was "a bargain."

Jones Elementary Principal Carl Glass reported 302 students were enrolled. He spoke of the UIL contest recently hosted by BISD and the Drug Free Fair (both are detailed in this issue of The Brackett News).

Secondary principal Don Sims reported 292 students enrolled. He, too, mentioned that Brackett had hosted the secondary UIL meet and had eleven students advancing to Region. That report, too, is in this issue of the paper.

Stoney Burks reported for the middle school and stated that the district received many complimentary remarks as to personnel and facilities during the recent UIL contests.

Curriculum Director Taylor Stephenson mentioned that the San Antonio Brass would be performing April 21 and complimented the students on recent activities. He also complimented Hector Jimenez and his "citizenship" classes.

He reported that equipment purchased from the Hillcrest Foundation Grant was starting to arrive. Superintendent Mills said a third student, Tony Martinez, had completed all requirements for graduation through the Alternative School. He was pleased with "the many good things that were going on."

A committee was chosen to screen applications for athletic director: Supt. Mills, Prin. Sims, Prin. Glass, Elementary teacher Kandace LaMascus, middle school teacher Angie Meeks, high school teacher Dee Curry, coaches Greg Nowlin and Dutch Wardlaw, board members Gloria Garcia and Darlene Shahan, and community members David Luna with Allen McCord as advisor.

Seventeen inquiries into the position have been made with six applications returned either in full or in part.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Farmers Home Administration, as a condition of funding, prohibits the extension of service in the form of new water or sewer service to structures not existing or where no construction permits have been issued in the floodplain prior to the 1st day of April, 1995.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF Brackettville's City Council concurs with these conditions and hereby expresses its support for this requirement.

PASSED this 11th day of April, 1995, by the City Council of the City of Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas.

By /s/ Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor
City of Brackettville, Texas

ATTEST:
/s/ David G. Luna
City Manager

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Brackettville deems it necessary and proper to accept federal grant assistance from the Rural Economic and Community Development and the rules and regulations pursuant thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Brackettville that Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor, as the signatory agent of the City, or the successor of said agent, is hereby authorized and directed to accept and to sign the acceptance of the grant assistance, when made, and any other documents required to complete the project, on behalf of the above named.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 11th day of April, 1995.

/s/ Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/ David G. Luna, City Manager

Baseball

Student Reporter

BRIAN HOOKER

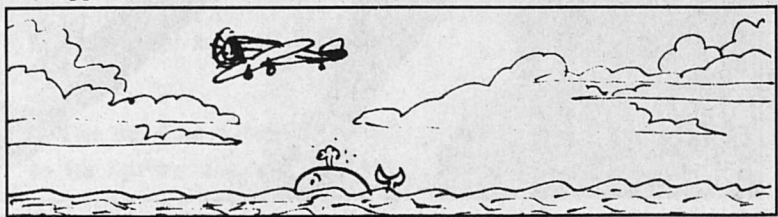
Tigers Open District With A Win

Friday, April 7, the Tigers traveled to Lytle to open district play against the Pirates. The Pirates put up some competition but got rolled over 6-1.

Wil Shahan started on the hill and went the distance. He pitched his fifth win on Friday. He faced 28 batters, walked none, and struck out 8. Shahan also went 2 for 2 at the plate.

Jorge Rodriguez went 1 for 3 hitting his second home run of the season.

This win gave the Tigers a record of 12-4 with 1-0 in district.



Amelia Earhart was the first woman to cross the Atlantic Ocean by air and the first woman to fly it alone.

Tigers Get 2nd District Win Against LaPryor

Tuesday, April 11, the Tigers traveled to LaPryor to face the Bulldogs for their second district game. The Tigers rolled over the Bulldogs 9-1.

Wil Shahan went the distance on the hill pitching all 7 innings. This victory gave Wil his 6th win.

The Tigers played well offensively as a team.

Baseball Coach Gary Grubbs said, "I'm real proud of where we're sitting right now. We're 2-0 in district and playing great baseball."

JV Tigers Win Over Sonora

Monday, April 10, the J.V. Tigers traveled to Sonora to face their J.V. team. The Tigers rolled over them 11-5.

Luis Guajardo went 2-4 scoring 3 times. Michael Meyer went 2 for 3 scoring 3 times. Butch Lopez went 3-5 scoring 2 times.

J. Wayne Ballew went 1-2 scoring once. Beau Smallwood went 1-3 scoring once. Michael Aguirre scored the last run.

This win brought the J.V. Tigers record to 7-3.

Tiger Golf

Fort Clark Springs Golf Course was host to the District Golf Tournament Monday, April 10. Six teams were entered in the boys competition. Final scoring was (1) Brackett A - 341; Cole - 376; Brackett B - 389 (because of rules violation, the Brackett B team will advance to Region); Lytle - 415; Natalia - 415; Dilley - 449.

New records were set by both the boys and girls teams and by Jared and Charlie as medalists.



Boys A Team Wins First

With a team score of 341, the Brackett Tiger Boys A Golf Team took first place honors and will advance to Region. They are from left, Michael Aguirre, Jared Shahan, Coach Tom McNew, Agnacio Aguirre, Jr. Alex Moses, Jr. Matthew Foster was the fifth team member but had left at the time the picture was taken. He was a member of the Award Winning Band which had contest in the afternoon of the same day of the golf tournament. Jared Shahan earned medalist honors.



Brackett B Team Advances

The B team, with a team score of 389, are shown from left Kirk Hill, Chad Neuman, Coach McNew, Nat Terrazas, and Quinton Clark. Brian Hooker was the fifth member of the team but had gone with the band at the time the picture was made.



Brackett Girls Takes First Place

With a team score of 428, the Brackett Girls Golf Team took first place in district competition and will advance to Regional play. Shown with Coach McNew are Katie Hall, left, and Charlie Hall, right. The other three team members - Lisa Dalton, Brandy Meeks, Cherrise Ward - had gone with the band at picture taking time. Charlie Hall won medalist honors.

CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE
KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS
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PROCLAMATION CITY CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

To: All Citizens

In regular session of the City Council on April 11, 1995, it voted and ordered by said council that the annual City Clean-Up Campaign be initiated. Therefore, with the powers vested in me as mayor, I hereby proclaim the period from May 1, 1995, through July 31, 1995, as the 1995 Clean-Up Campaign. Accordingly, I sincerely urge that each and every citizen of this community participate in this vital and important campaign, and earnestly hope that the end results of said campaign will be a mark symbolizing the concerted effort of all citizens in doing their part in keeping our community clean, neat, healthful, and free of pest.

City conveyer will be made available to remove all accumulated refuse starting May 1, 1995. Please place all such refuse on alleyway easements or other accessible areas convenient for the conveyer.

/s/ Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor

/s/ David G. Luna, City Manager

HAPPY SHAHAN DAY

Part of the Reason Why!



Always promoting tourism, Happy visits with Texas Tourism Division Director Dr. Dianne Mendoza Freeman and Coahuila, Mexico, Tourism Director Fernando dela Fuentes at a Bi-National Tourism Conference.

April 12, 1995, was proclaimed **Happy Shahan Day** in Texas at the recommendation of the Texas Film Commission in recognition of Happy's efforts to make Texas a real film mecca of the world.

The designation and the events of the day were a complete surprise to Happy, a man who prides himself on having control of his life through God's guidance and knowing what is going on around him.

The gala celebration took place at the Rio Rio Cantina, 421 E. Commerce, San Antonio, from 12:30 until 2:30 p.m.

A letter of congratulations and appreciation from Governor George W. Bush was read. A concurrent resolution of the Texas House and Senate proclaiming April 12, 1995, to be Happy Shahan Day was presented. A Texas flag and a plaque were also presented.

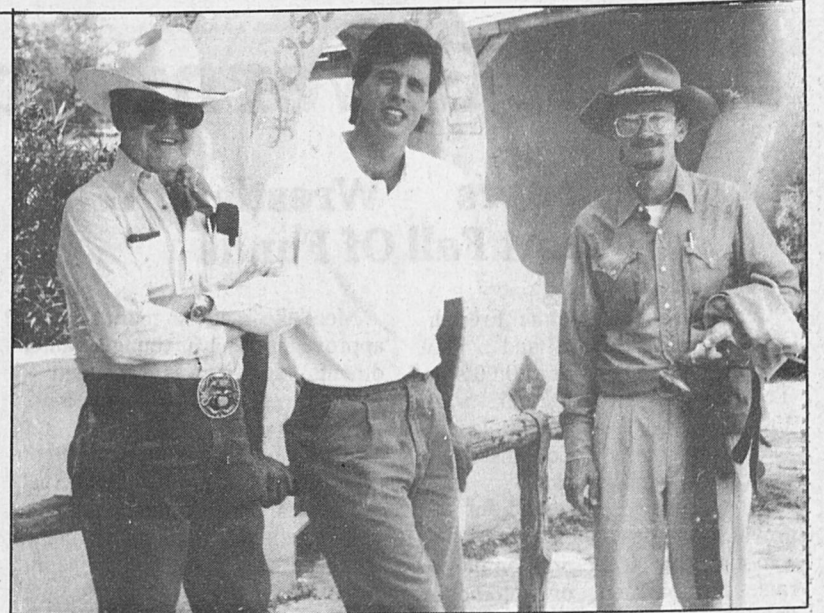
A few of those attending along with Happy, who was taken there under "just a fun time" pretense were twenty members of Happy's family.

Joining this elite group were: Frank Dobbs (producer of *Streets of Laredo*, *Gambler V* and several other projects that have filmed at Alamo Village); Michael Charske (location

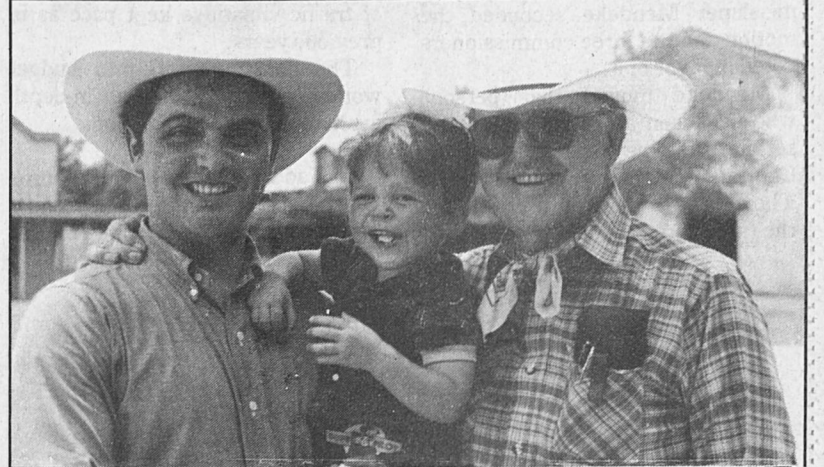
manager for several Alamo Village projects); Texas Film Commission officials Tom Copeland, Interim Director, Brady Dial, Location Specialist, and Carol Pirie, Communications Director; Kathy Rhoads, Director, San Antonio Film Commission; Ellen Mayers, Director, Irving Texas Film Commission; Roger Burke, Director, Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Film Commission; Gary Bond, Film Liaison of the City of Austin; Rick Ferguson, Director, Houston Film Commission; Susie Gaines, Assistant Director, El Paso Film Commission; Nick Reyna, Director, Brownsville Area Film Commission.

Invited to join this elite group to honor Happy were long-time friends, Brackett News Editor Jean Faulkenberry and Tom Faulkenberry.

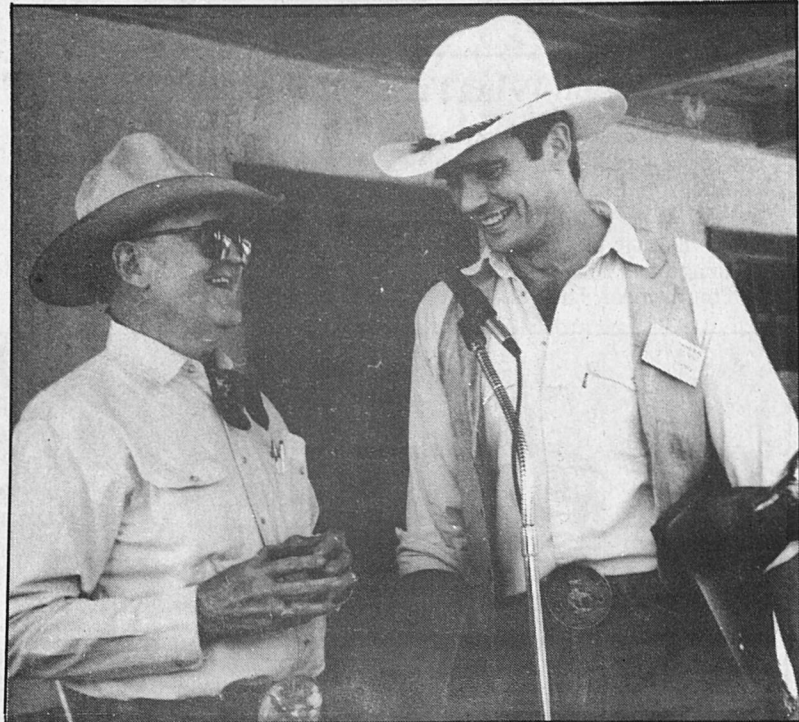
Also present were Jane Sumner, film writer, Dallas Morning News; Anne Dingus, Texas Monthly; features writer from the San Antonio Express News; and Joaquin Jackson, former Texas Ranger who now provides security for film sets and was an actor in *The Good Old Boys* which Tommy Lee Jones filmed at Alamo Village.



Texas Country Reporter Brian Hawkins, center, did a feature on Happy and Richard Curilla for "Discover Texas."



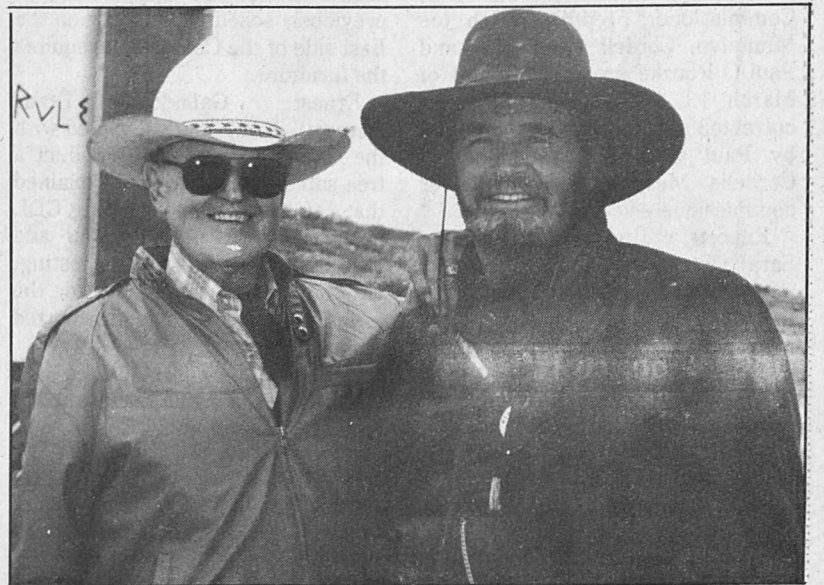
Shaping young talent into polished star performers is a trademark with Happy. Valentine, left, has proven to be one of the best products and is shown with his young son and Happy.



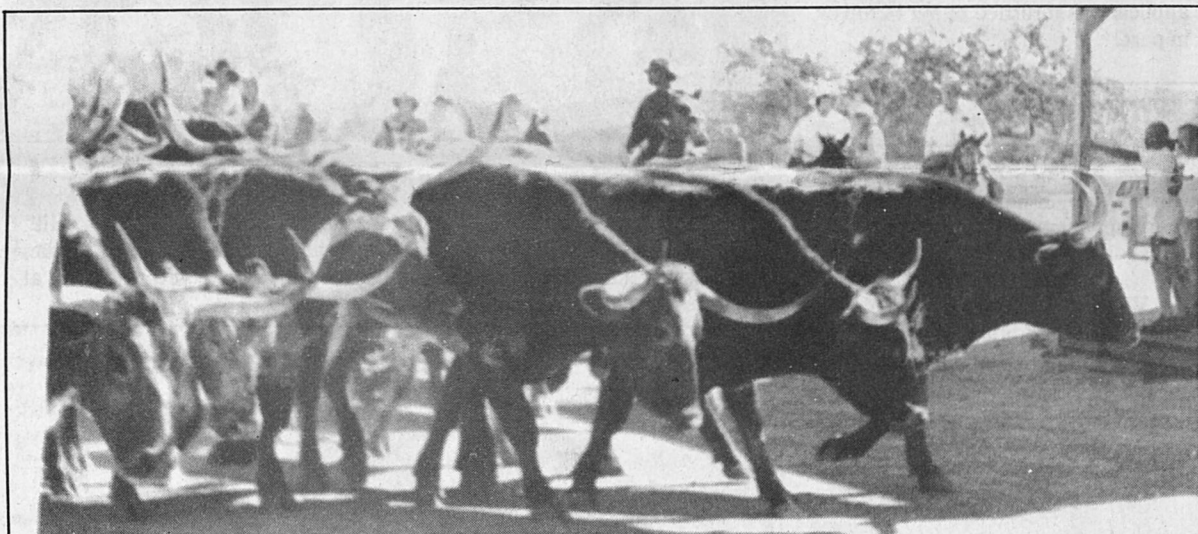
Happy and Virginia Shahan are very successful ranchers, which is their primary occupation. This picture was made just after a registered Longhorn heifer was presented to John Schneider.



On March 23, 1995, as the only remaining charter member of the Brackettville Rotary Club, Happy accepted the Club's Golden Anniversary Certificate from Past District Governor Jim McKeown as club president Taylor Stephenson assists.

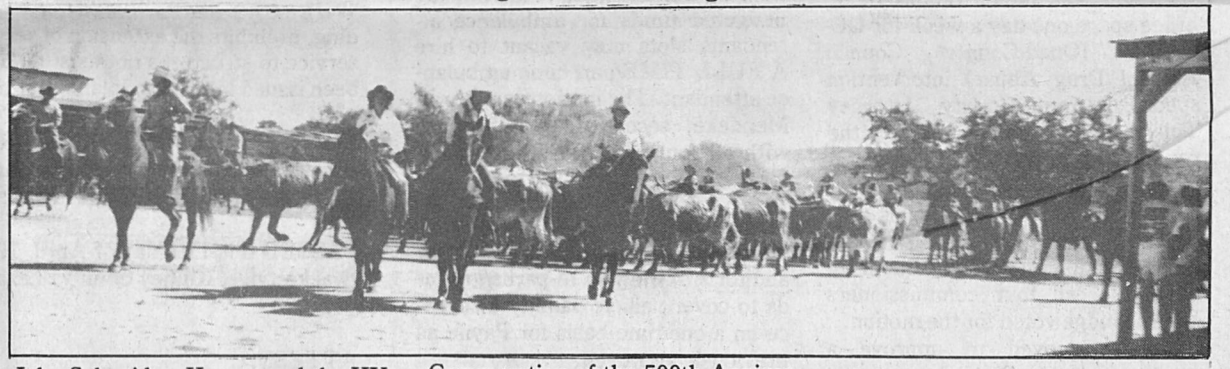


Happy and James Garner share a few "light moments" during a break in the filming of "Streets of Laredo" at Alamo Village.

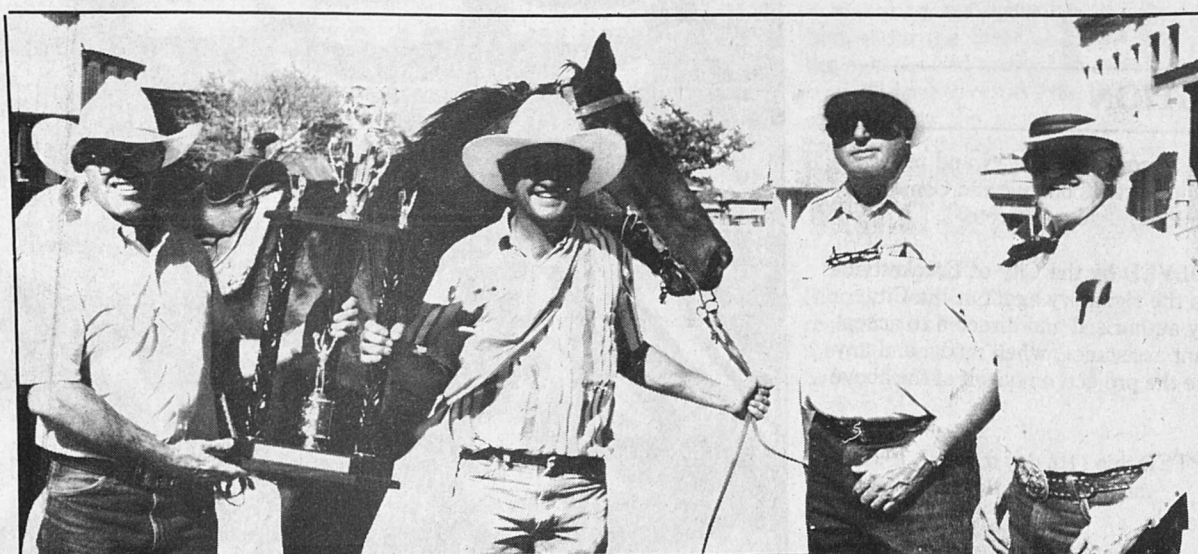


Small part of the Shahan Ranch longhorn herd which is kept for movie making. The Shahan HV Ranch also runs commercial herds of cattle, sheep and goats. Hunting is also a big business with them.

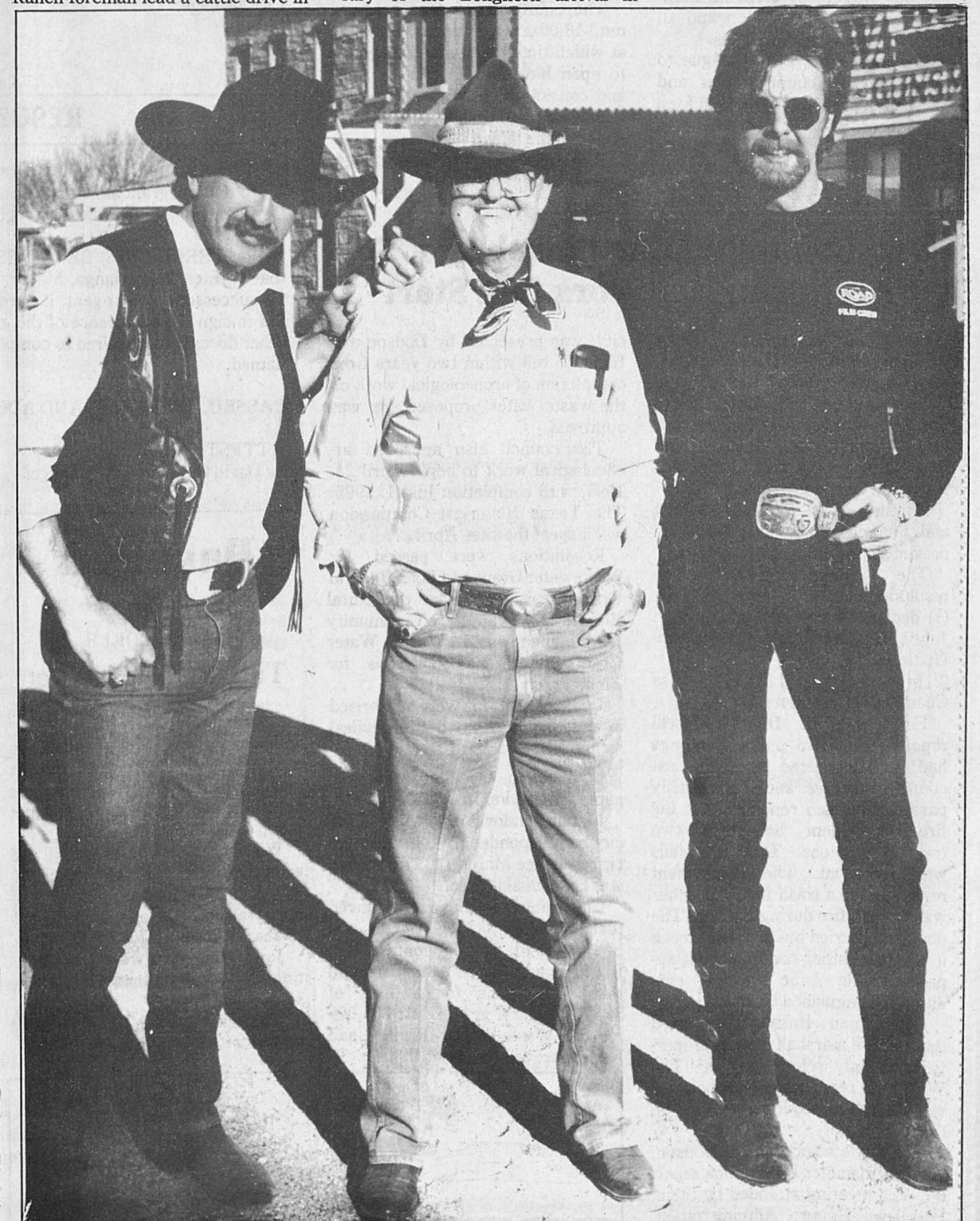
Dozens of movies, TV shows, mini-series, commercials, musical videos, and fashion shows have been filmed at Alamo Village. The Alamo at the Village remains one of the most popular spots.



John Schneider, Happy, and the HV Ranch foreman lead a cattle drive in commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Longhorn arrival in Texas.



Quarto-Quarto had just won the annual Labor Day Cowboy Horse Races at the Village. The winner is just one of the fine quarterhorses that are used at the working ranch. Ranch foreman, Gordon Bruce, accepted the trophy from Tully Shahan as race starter Hadley Wardlaw looked on. Happy beamed.



Happy with Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn who filmed the Brooks and Dunn video "You're Gonna Miss Me" at Alamo Village.



During the 1994 International Cavers Convention held in Kinney County, a big "happening" was held at Alamo Village. Happy is shown with the national president Dave Luchins of Michigan and outgoing president Jeanne Gurnee of New Jersey.