

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORATATION

TEXAS SIZED LITTERBAGS AVAILABLE FREE.....

If 23 million Americans can stop smoking for one day, surely Texans can stop trashing out our roadways for just 24 hours. At least that's the theory behind "THE GREAT TEXAS TRASH OFF". Texans are being encouraged to keep the trash OFF the side of the road and put it where it belongs. "Littering is a habit, we're sure of that," said Don Clark, spokesman with the State Department of Highways and Public Transporatation, Spensol of " THE GREAT TEXAS TRASH OFF". "If we get Texans to break the habit for one day, we'll be able to demonstrate how easy it is to put that trash where it belongs.

In the very least, we'll have cleaner, safer roads. That alone will save the taxpayers a bundle of money," Clark said. Texas taxpayers spent a record \$24 million last year keeping the state's highways

clean.

"We couldn't think of a better time to ask Texans to put the trash where it belongs - right after the roadsides, streets and public areas are all clean and spiffy, and before they get messed up again," Clark said. "The Great Texas Trash Off" is part of the State Department of Highways and Public Transporatation's DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS campaign.

New Texas-sized litterbags sporting the 'DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS" message are available free at any of the State Department of Highways and Public Transporatation offices and all Texas Tourist Bureaus. "Since it's cans and fast-food



\$100,000 A DAY HABIT --- TEXANS' LITTER HABITS COST. TAXPAYERS \$24 MILLION LAST YEAR. "THE GREAT TEXAS TRASH OFF" ENCOURAGES TEXANS TO KEEP TRASH OFF THE ROADSIDE. IF ALL TEXANS PUT THE TRASH WHERE IT BELONGS IT WILL SAVE \$100,000 - THE ESTIMATED COST IN TAX DOLLARS FOR ONE DAY OF TRASH PICK-UP ALONG OUR STATE HIGHWAYS.OFFICIALS WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, SPONSORS OF THE "TRASH OFF", WANT TEXANS TO BREAK THE TRASH HABIT BY DEMONSTRATING HOW EASY IT IS TO PUT THE TRASH WHERE IT BELONGS.

wrappers we find most among the litter along the highways, our new litterbags are large enough to accommodate those items," said Clark, spokesperson with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. The bags, which measure 12 x 18, are part of the department's efforts to reduce significantly the cost of picking up trash along the roadside. Last year, it cost Texas taxpayers \$24 million to clean up the highways. "Reasearch indicates that states with active litterbag

distribution, combined with strong public awareness programs, are making major progress in reducing visible, deliberate litter, "Clark said." Most people say they litter because it's convenient. By making the larger bags available free, we want to make it more convenient for Texans to put the trash where it belongs instead of messing with Texas, "said Clark. Don't Mess With Texas bumper stickers are also available

Don't Mess With Texas bumper stickers are also available free at the Texas Tourist Bureaus.

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IT HAPPENS----

An unknown editor-hero is said to have published the following somewhere, sometime, "You'll notice that there are mistakes in this week's paper just as there were in last week's, and as there will be next week's. They are there for a purpose. We try to print something for everyone, and there are people who are always looking for mistakes".

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EVERY MINUTE YOUR ANGRY... YOU LOSE 60 SECONDS OF HAPPINESS....

Transplas Dong & ach, Boula dope By Michael A. Guido, Metter, Georgia

Panting, the husband Everything you say and never make it."

"We wouldn't have made It is either submission brakes to keep it from His Word. rolling down the hill."

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A THANK YOU

I Nora Arreola Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bruno Arreola wish to Thank each and everyone of you who attended my 15th Birthday Celebration. Special Thanks to Father David Zumayama for a beautiful ceremony. To all of my friends and relatives who attended and for those who sent presents and couldn't attend. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU.

A husband and his wife you lower; if you do not Out of Town Guests where from: were riding a bicycle built draw your companion closer Del Rio, Eagle Pass, San for two up a hill. They to the Lord, you drive that Antonio, Houston, Dallas, reached the top exhausted. one farther from Him.

Brownwood, Big Lake, Dimmitt, Fort Worth, and Uvalde.

SEMINOLE INDIAN SCOUTS

Some prey on each other, Preparing for their Annual It is tragic when the but let us pray with each Freedom Day June 19th. Had a

husbands and wives are not other. And the family that meeting Friday May 16. together, when one is prays together stays to- After the meeting, the group

gave a Suprise Birthday Party The closer we are to for Miss Charles E. Wilson. Christ, the closer we are to Those present - Ms. Yolando Williams & son Cody Joe. Gege Pine & son Elton, Ms. Darnette Daniels & children Wendy & Kelly, Ethel Fair, Pat Dolores Bowlegs, Wallace Dimery, Grace Daniels, John Dimery, Linda Williams, Martha Ward, Shelly Best, Smile Goodloe, Louis & Lillie Dimery.

Next Meeting will be May 21,1986. HELLO, REMEMBER ME?

Some people call me OLD GLORY, others' call me THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER, but whatever they call me, I am your FLAG of the UNITED STATES of AMERICA......Something has been bothering me, so I thought I might talk it over with you...because it is about you and me.

I remember some time ago people lined up on both sides of the street to watch the parade and naturally I was leading every parade, proudly waving in the breeze, when your daddy saw me coming, he immediately removed his hat and placed it against his left shoulder so that the hand was directly over heart...remember?? And you, I remember you. Standing there straight as a soldier. You didn't have a hat, but you were giving the right salute. Remember little sister? Not to be outdone,

you with her right hand over her heart...remember?
What happen? I'm still the same old FLAG. Oh, I have a few more STARS since you were a boy. A lot more blood has been shed since those parades of long ago.

she was saluting the same as

But now I don't feel as proud as I used to. When I come down your street you just stand there with your hands in your pockets and I may get a small glance and then you look away. Then I see the children running around and shouting....they don't seem to know who I am...I saw one man take off his hat then look around, he didn't see anybody else with theirs off so he

Well. it won't be long until I'll be coming down your street again. So, when you see me, STAND STRAIGHT, PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART.... and I'll salute you, by waving back...and I'll know that...YOU REMEMBER ME...



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR ..

Dear Mr. Loos:

Dr. Kenneth Brown, a native of Texas, has recently published a book that traces Texas history from 1519 A.D. to the Fall of the Alamo on March 6, 1836. This book, aptly titled THE LAST DAY, is the first book about the Alamo in more than twenty years; and, it is one of the most unique books ever written. Historically correct, but not written like a history book, THE LAST DAY provides a fresh approach to one of the most historic events in the history of man -- especially, if one happens to be a Texan.

I have enclosed a news release about this unique book for your personal use.

THE LAST DAY IS THE ALAMO WRITTEN IN a UNIQUE WAY

San Angelo, Texas, April 21, 1986 - After more than twenty years, there is a new book about the Alamo - and new it really is. Historically correct, but not written like a history book, THE LAST DAY, a Sesquicentennial Edition, combines the power of third party narrative with the intimacy of " you are there " first person to vividly, and dramatically, describe the events leading to the fall of the Alamo on March 6, 1986. Written by Kenneth Brown, this fascinating piece of history is well documented, concisely written treatise, and is a fitting tribute to the brave men who fought and died in the Battle of the Alamo. Gemini Publications, a San Angelo company, has recently released this sweeping, poetic fashion book.

THE LAST DAY is a book that provides the reader with a comfortable melding of

narrative prose to involve each reader in the events that are being described. The book is written in six parts. The first part provides a sketch of the major events from the beginning of Texas in January, 1519, to June, 1835. The second part summaries the major events that occurred durning the period of time between June, 1835, and. February 23, 1836, the day a heavily armed detachment of Mexican calvary rode into San' Antonio's Military Plaza. Part: three depicts the period of time from February 23, 1836, to March 5, 1836; and, it; provides a description of twelve day seige in a way that someone who participated in the defense of the Alamo might have written them. This style

is carried through-out the remainder of the book, a diary, written by an unknown person, a person whose only interest was keeping a daily record.

Here is what people are saying about THE LAST DAY;; " This book will tear your heart out as you read the fascinating way in which the last 13 days of the seige of the Alamo is written." Burnett Bulletin, April 17, 1986, Lucile O'Donnell. "Personally I would like to see every Texan read this fascinating bit of history..." Evaugh Hackler, Librarian, Abernathy Public Library. "I think you have a very good and unusual approach on your manuscript...it is well researched..." Bernice Strong, Librarian / Archivist.

THE LAST DAY is a very good book and I have adopted it to be used in conjunction with my Texas History Classes." Jerry Strickland, Principal, John Glenn Junior High School.

THE LST DAY can be purchased for \$8.95 in some area B. Dalton bookstores, The Alamo Village Trading Post in Brackettville, or ordered directly from the publisher, Gemini Publications, P.O. Box 60328, San Angelo, Texas 76906. Mail Orders add 2.00 for shipping and handling. Copies will be autographed by the author and the artist.

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EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER

BRACKETT ISD AND TI-IN NETWORK STUDENT SUCCESSFUL IN LATIN COMPETITION..

Can students taking firstyear Latin by watching television compete successfully with those studying in tradition high school settings? Judging from the performance of Altagracia Hernandez, a senior at Brackett High School in Brackettville, Texas, the answer is a resounding "YES"!! While competing on April 4 against students from across Texas (many of whom are from much larger schools in Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio), Altagracia won a First Place ribbon and trophy in Girls' Dramatic Interpretation, Level 1, at the Latin Texas State Junior Classical League (TSJCL) state competition at Westwood High School in Austin.

Altagracia takes Latin through the Texas Interactive Instructional Network (TI-IN) which originates from studios at Education Service Center, Region 20 in San Antonio. The TI-IN Network provides high school credit courses through "interactive television" to students in Texas, California, Iowa, and Arkansas. Programs are beamed via satellite, and each receiving school is equipped with telecommunications system that allows students to converse directly with the teacher as the class proceeds. The fact that Altagracia learned her contest selection by listening to and seeing the instructor on the monitor, then practicing on the telephone, is a tribute to the effectiveness and versatility of the telecommunications well as to system as Altagracia's skill, dedication, and hard work. Other area students winning awards at the competition were Rose Arrellano from Clark High School in San Antonio (third place ribbon) and Shannon Meyer from Uvalde High School

(Cum Laude certificate).

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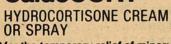


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Eddie Garcia Frank Guajardo Richard Guajardo all of Brackettville. Home Runs were hit by

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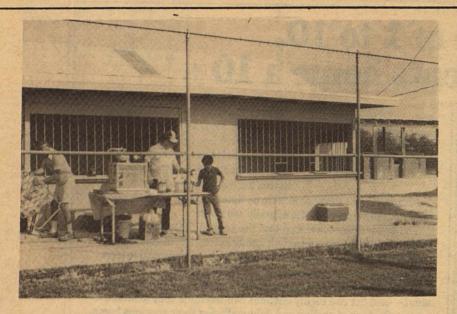
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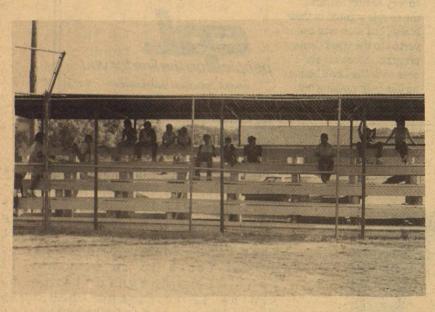
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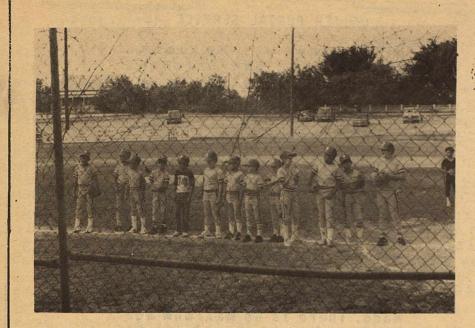
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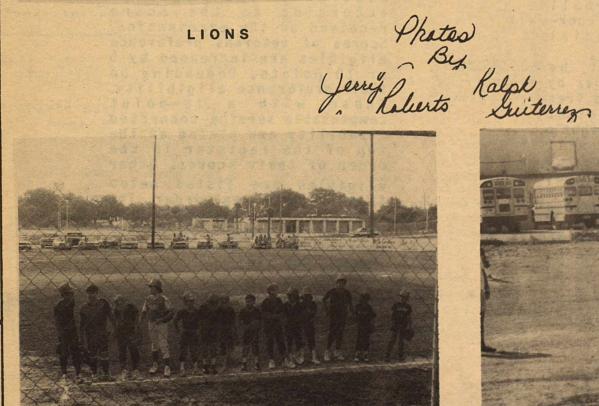
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* Carnival * Contests for Kids * Washer Pitching

FUN FOR EVERYONE

FREE PARK ADMISSION Bring Your Lawn Chairs

SECOND ANNUAL POTATO FEST

The Pearsall Second Annual Potato Fest is slated for June 6th & 7th at Fireman's Park in Pearsall. The summer festival promises fun, food, and entertainment for all ages. Sponsored by the Pearsall Chamber of Commerce and Miller Beer South Texas Distributing Co. of Poteet, Texas, the celebration will kick off at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 6 and continue throughout the day Saturday.

Potato Fest will feature activities ranging from softball and volleyball tournaments to a potato cookoff and Sesquicentennial booths.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the day by singers and fiddlers. Two free dances will provided night entertainment. Friday night's admission - free dance will festure Los Campesionos de Tejas de Chavel Cavasos, while Saturday night's free dance will have music provided by Bubba Littrell.

National Building

No tables or chairs will be provided at the dances, so everyone is asked to bring lawn chairs.

Ground admission for the Potato Fest is free of charge.



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UNITED POSTAL SERVICE

Mr. John J. Saldana, Postmaster, San Antonio, Texas, Announced today applications for an examination, cleaner, will be accepted beginning at the General Mail Facility, Employment Office, Room 1133, 10410 Perrin-Beitel Road, San Antonio, Texas.

Applications for this examination are restricted by law to individuals entitled to veteran preference. Proof of entitlement to Veteran preference must be provided at the time that application is made. There is no maximum age limit. Starting salary is \$7.16 per hour. Applicants will be required to take a written examination designed to test ability to interpret and follow directions.

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The full Moon is nine times as bright as a half-moon, since the surface of the visible half-moon is extremely rough and mountainous, which makes for more shadows and less reflected sunlight.

LEGAL NOTICE

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, front seat fatalities decreased an average of 14 percent durning the first four months under the new safety belt law in Texas; and

Whereas, law enforcement and other safety professionals recognize that reductions in fatalities and injuries will continue and become even more significant as more citizens get into the lifesaving habit of buckling up; and

Whereas, many Texans Coalition for Safety Belts is working to increase public awareness of the lifesaving benefits of buckling up; and,

Whereas, many groups in Texas will be joining safety adocates in other states in an "ALL AMERICAN BUCKLE UP" and

Now, Therefore be it resolved that the City of Brackettville will join in this important "Texas Buckle Up Week" May 22-29,1986, and urge its citizens to use their safety belts for themselves and their safety belts and child safety seats for their young passengers, and to remind their other passengers to buckle up.

William Mendeke, Mayor Attest: Charles J. Olsen, City Manager

BRACKETT I.S.D. COMPLETES BOND REFUNDING PROJECT

The Brackett Board of Trustees heard a report last Monday night from Superintendent Bob McCall on the project to refund 1982 school bonds at a lower rate.

The project was initiated by the Trustees in November of 1985 in an effort to reduce the interest rate on the school bonds. Mr. McCall reported that the re-funding project was completed on April 28. The interest rate was reduced from an average of 12.19 percent to 8.31 percent over the 13 year term of the issue. This reduction in the rate will result in a significant interest savings to the District. ******

NOTICE

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. announces it will hold a neighborhood meeting at Kinney County Courthouse at 7:00 p.m. May 29,1986.

The purpose of the meeting will be to acquire input and to evaluate the agency programs. A desired outcome is to form an official advisory committee that can make formal recomendations to the agency. The public is encouraged to attend.

For more information contact the Community Council Neighborhood Center in Brackettville, at Ellen & Louis St. 512-563-2422.

JOB OPENING

Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., is accepting applications for the position of Executive Director. Prospective applicants are preferred to have a B.A. degree from an accredited college or university in business administration or in a related field (preferable but not required) and must have a minimumn of three years experience in administration and management of federal and state programs. Submit resumes and / or applications to Mr. Mike Esparaza, Jr., Chairman of the Board, P.O. Drawer 1709, Uvalde, Texas 78802-1709. Resumes and / or applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. May 30,1986.

Community Council of Southwest Texas, is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer.



Camels can go without drinking for as much as eight consume as much as a hundred quarts in ten minutes.



The Australian walking fish can not only survive out of water, he can actually climb trees to feed on insects there. Texas.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO::::: MARK RANDALL COX Respondent.

GREETINGS::

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the HONORABLE 63rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS, at the Courthouse of said County in BRACKETTVILLE, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of JANET JEAN COX, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 24th day of February, 1986, against MARK RANDALL COX, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 2536 on the docket of said Court, and entitled " IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF JANET JEAN COX and MARK RANDALL COX " the nature of which suit is a request to grant a divorce, division of community property, custody of minor children and child support as provided by section 14.43 of the Texas Family Code.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the children's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parentchild relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children's adoption,

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Brackettville, Texas, this the 26th day of March, 1986.

Dolores Raney Clerk, District Court, Kinney County.,

SAFETY



Not all tires are safely interchangeable. Two of these are used by pickup trucks and some vans: the 16-inch tube and 16.5-inch tubeless tires. If you put a 16-inch tire on a 16.5-inch rim, and inflate it beyond the rated tire pressure, the tire will explode before fully fitting on the rim. That's according to the wheel experts at The Budd Company. The right tire can ensure your safety, the wrong one could cause you unnecessary injury.

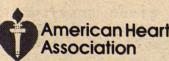


Only trained mechanics who have read and follow the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations in Section 1910.177 and wheel manufacturer's literature should service truck tires. OSHA offers free charts and booklets to help mechanics learn the accepted procedures. To get a copy, you can send a self-addressed mailing label to Servicing Rim Wheels, OSHA Publications, Room N-4101, Frances Perkins Bldg., Third St. and Constitution Ave., Washington DC 20210.

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2. Demands attention.

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From the Beach to the Border Aboard the Tex-Mex Express

O.C. Garza, Media Chief, Texas Tourist Development Agency

It had to happen. For the first time in forty years, the "Tex-Mex Express" passenger service has reconnected the beautiful sandy beaches of Corpus Christi with the margaritaville, dog-racing and border-shopping mecca of Laredo and her twin city across the Mexican border, Nuevo Laredo.

Know what? People from Laredo and Nuevo Laredo can rail over to Corpus for a weekend of fun-in-thesun, beaches and fishing, too.

The train began its passenger operations on January 31, 1986, its first passenger route between the coast and the border since 1946. After spending a million dollars finding and renovating four coaches and a lounge car built in the early 1900s, the Texas Mexican Railroad hooked them up to diesel engine #867. The train has been on time ever since.

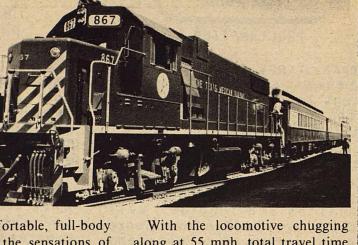
Let's face it, time isn't important on a nostalgic train ride, even on the 157 miles between Corpus and Laredo. There's not much to see but a few hard-scrabble ranches and their spooked cattle, plus some oil fields. There was, however, a large field of beautiful yellow dandelions in bloom just outside of Hebbronville in April.

Riding in vintage railcars is entertaining itself, but a few conveniences have been added that riders will enjoy. For movie buffs, videocassette movies are shown in all cars. When the movie is over, the music piped through the cars is classic rock-n-roll. With a full bar in the lounge car and waitresses coming by just at the right time, riders can

sit back in comfortable, full-body seats and enjoy the sensations of riding the rails.

There's a lot of history along this particular stretch of rail. Even before the Civil War, as early as 1856, the citizens of a prosperous Corpus Christi, under the guidance of Col. Uriah Lott, saw a need for a railroad to Mexico. It wasn't until Thanksgiving Day of 1876 that the first spike was driven into the ground under the name of The Corpus Christi, San Diego and Rio Grande Narrow Gauge Railroad. With the help of Captains Richard King and Mifflin Kenedy, both of King Ranch fame, the line made it to San Diego before running out of money. By June of 1881, the Palmer-Sullivan Syndicate had, at the request of Lott and Kenedy, acquired a new charter and the name of the railroad was changed to The Texas Mexican Railroad Company. By November of that same year, the line to Laredo was completed. Later in the company's history, it would be the first Class I company to fully dieselize its locomotive fleet.

These days, the trip is a bit different from those runs in the late 1800s. Today's passengers won't find the train stopping to pick up a cowboy who has spurred from the brush. We won't see the conductor grabbing a grocery list from a rancher's wife or stopping the train for a few hours hunting along the scrub line. Nor will the editor of the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times* meet every train that arrives to get news from "down the line."



along at 55 mph, total travel time between the cities is about four hours, just about the right time lag for the adjustment from Corpus to Laredo, or vice versa. To go from the sunny beaches to the Mexican border without some period for adjustment just isn't advisable. The culture shock is too great. Relax on the train for a few hours, however, and Laredo begins to look like the best city in Texas. First-quality hotels are the rule in Laredo, and when the train pulls into the station the courtesy vans are waiting for the short ride to the hotels. A new market just off the main square brings Mexican shopping and eating right into the heart of Laredo.

Mexico is walking distance from many Laredo hotels. Horsedrawn carriages, good Mexican food, salty margaritas, and shopping bargains on clothes, candy, silver, and liquor that are unrivaled anywhere in the world, especially if you have sharp haggling skills. Those with a flair for gambling can catch a bus straight to the dog races and win a fortune. Betting windows begin at \$1.

The Tex-Mex Express departs Corpus Christi on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The train departs from Laredo at 4:00 p.m. on those days and arrives back in Corpus at 8:30 p.m. Roundtrip tickets are \$39.95, one-way fares are \$21.00. There are brief flag stops at Hebbronville and Alice. For reservations and ticket information, call 512/289-1818 in Corpus Christi and 512/722-6411 in Laredo. Reservations are recommended.

THANK YOU

TO THE VOTERS AND PEOPLE WHO SUPPORTED ME IN MY BID FOR RE-ELECTION. YOUR VOTE AND CONTINUED SUPPORT IN THE JUNE 7th, 1986, RUN-OFF ELECTION WILL BE GREATLY

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JOE YORK, JR.

(POL. ADV. PD. FOR BY JOE YORK JR. BOX 496 BRACKETTVILLE)

SHERIFF'S CORNER NORMAN HOOTEN SHERIFF

District Court was called into session by District Judge George Thurmond Monday, May 19th. Several cases were heard by the Judge including two

criminal cases.

A civil case which had been scheduled for jury trial was settled out of court and the jury panel was dismissed with instructions to report back to District Court on July 28th at 10:00 a.m. One of the criminal cases heard was the trail of Celestino Martinez 26, of Brackettville who was charged with Burglary of a Building. Martinez was arrested in Del Rio on April 5th of this year by yours truly and Chief of Police Jim Lindeman after we developed information and evidence durning our investigation of the burglary of the Gonzales Store a few days earlier that linked Martinez and a younger brother had been staying. Some of the stolen property was recovered from a brushy arroyo here in Brackettville.

Martinez entered a plea of guilty to the charges and received a 5 year sentence to the Texas Department of Corrections (TDC). He is not eligible for probation as he has a prior felony conviction and in fact was out on parole from TDC at the time he committed the local burglary. He was released into the custody of Val Verde County Sheriff's Department Monday afternoon and transported to Del Rio to stand trial for a burglary of a habitation in

that city.

Martinez's younger brother was released into the custody of the Texas Youth Council as he was a juvenile and was on parole from TYC for a prior conviction of Aggravated Assault and Robbery. The Martinez brothers have been unlucky in their criminal endeavors over the past three years, particulary those involving the Gonzales Store. Another brother, Francisco Martinez, was convicted in 1983 for a 1982 burglary of the Gonzales Store. He received probation upon his conviction but that probation was later revoked because of violation of the terms set out by the Judge and he was sent to TDC. He was recently

parolled & returned to Brackettville. Ironically the same large radio-cassette player was taken in both burglaries and has been recovered both times. It is a little battered and worn, but still functions well and the owners were pleased at it's return.

In the other criminal case heard by Judge Thurmond, Larry Ronald Stiver, recently returned to Kinney County from North Carolina on escape charges, was arraigned and requested a court-appointed attorney. His trial has been set for July 28th and he remains in jail in lieu of \$50,000.00 bond set by Judge Thurmond.

Several burglaries, thefts, and vandalism cases dating back almost two years were cleared Monday, May 19th with the arrest of a 13 year old male juvenile. A lead in the cases was developed that led to the arrest and the recovery of stolen property valued at several hundred dollars. The investigation into the case continues and other arrests may be forthcoming.

Burglars struck the office of the Ft. Clark M.U.D. Tuesday night, May 20th. Entry was made through a window on the north side of the building after a rock was used to break a window pane and the burglar then unlocked the window and entered. Several file cabinets, desk and other containers were rifled and the burglar took \$147.92 that had been left in the cash drawer. There was some evidence at the scene and the investigation continues at the time of this writing.

George Joseph Barber who was convicted on April 28th for Involuntary Manslaughter in the shotgun slaying of John L. Titt was sentenced to 5 years in the Texas Department of Corrections by District Judge George Thurmond on Wednesday, May 21st. Barber remained free on 420,000.00 bond pending possible appeals for a new trial. Should he fail to appeal or should he be denied a new trial he will be remanded to my custody for transport to TDC.

SINGER SEWING CONTEST

Sewers of all ages take note;;

Singer is on the look out to reward your sewing talent. Singer, which has been synonymous with sewing for over 135 years, is sponsoring a sewing contest now through August 1st for teenagers and adults alike. The grand prize is a trip for two to the Big Apple, New York City, with a fun-filled night on Broadway. The second prize is one of Singer's new state-of-the-art "miracle" sewing machines, their top-of-the-line Ultra Unlimited ** which, in addition to basic and popular sewing machine features, has unlimited stitch capability, monograms and embroiders automatically, and even sews sideways. Thousands of prizes are also being given at the local level to entrants and winners alike.

The contest centers around the creation of a craft item using a Singer sewing machine - projects such as pillows, soft sculpture, wall hangings and samplers. Two winners will ultimately be selected on the national level in both the teenage and adult categories based on their projects overall appearance, creativity and basic construction.

Judging will take place on the local level through participating Singer retailers in early August with the final winners selected and announced by Singer sewing headquarters in late September.



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Sparrow is the name of many small, common birds. The name comes from an Anglo-Saxon word spearwa which it is believed was a general term for all small birds.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:	45	am
WORSHIP SERVICE	11:	:00	am
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PRAYER MEETING (WED)	7	:00	pm

REV. RONNIE WATSON

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SUNDAY SCHOOL	10:30	am
WORSHIP SERVICE	11:00	am
PRAYER MEETING (SUN)	7:00	pm
PRAYER MEETING (WED)	7:00	pm

REV. JOE TOWNSEND

CHURCH OF CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:30	am
WORSHIP SERVICE	10:30	am
BIBLE STUDY (SUN)	6:30	pm
BIBLE STUDY (WED)	7:00	pm
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CHURCH EDUCATION (SUN)	9:45	am
MORNING WORSHIP	11:00	am
BIBLE STUDY (WED)	7:00	pm
CHILDRENS CHOIR (THUR)	4:00	pm
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ADULTS CHOIR (THURS)	5:00	pm
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