

The Brackett News

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

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Landing Strip Purchases Water From F.C.S.

by Jennifer Pasanski

The 3.4 million dollar landing strip located 5 miles south of Spofford looks as if it may make completion deadline set for the first of January 1990.

422 acres of brush and mesquite have been cleared to make room for the 150 x 8,000 foot runway. According to Gene Kiddy, Superintendent for King Construction Co., "We have to clear plenty of room on both sides of the runway to help eliminate birds and wildlife from entering the path of the planes."

The foundation of the runway is built with soil, clay and lime. A laser beam is used to operate the blade on the maintainer, this helps to change the dept of grade. Millions of gallons of water are needed to harden the

clay and mix with the lime. Heldenfel Bros. Inc. a subcontractor for King Construction Co. is purchasing the vast amount of water from Fort Clark Springs. "We dug a well 1,000 ft. deep and never hit water so they told us to cover it up", stated Kiddy.

The water is hauled from the Fort by three trucks holding 6,000 gallons of water each. The trucks normally run 20 hours a day five days a week.

According to Gene Yancey, Contractor Quality Control, the next step will be to crush the base, then add the asphalt. "75 million lbs. of rock will be needed to complete this phase of the runway," he stated.

Yancey invited this reporter on an airplane ride in order to get aerial shots of the strip.

King Construction Co. out of Corpus Christi has added to the economy of Kinney County. "We try to shop locally whenever possible", added Yancey.

The trailer they use as an office was purchased locally, they lease on Fort Clark Springs and do business with many local merchants.

The company had also hired 50 percent of their employees locally.

When the airstrip is completed, projected flights would range from 100 to 150 daily runs from sun-up to sun-down. The flights will be mainly touch and go. A fire station will be the only structure on the site.

R.S.U. units will also be added to the airstrip.



Don Parks addresses the Senate Committee in San Antonio as Kinney County residents and news teams look on.

CARE Members Make Impact on Senate Committee

by Jennifer Pasanski

175 Kinney County residents traveled to San Antonio October 5th to participate in the Senate Natural Resource committee hearing, several members of CARE testified against the NORM waste dump.

CARE members held a mock funeral for Spofford carrying a coffin and making comments such as "Poor Spofford is dead as of 2009".

The dramatics of this act served its purpose as news teams from KSAT 12, The Express News and the Del Rio News Herald picked up on the story.

Staff writer for the News Herald, Dennis Smith, summed up the achievements of CARE when stating, "What began more than a year ago as a community outraged over a waste disposal company's bid to construct a radioactive waste dump

in its midst has grown to a statewide effort to bring about legislative reform governing waste handling."

If there would have been a score board at the senate meeting, CARE would have come out way ahead as far as points go.

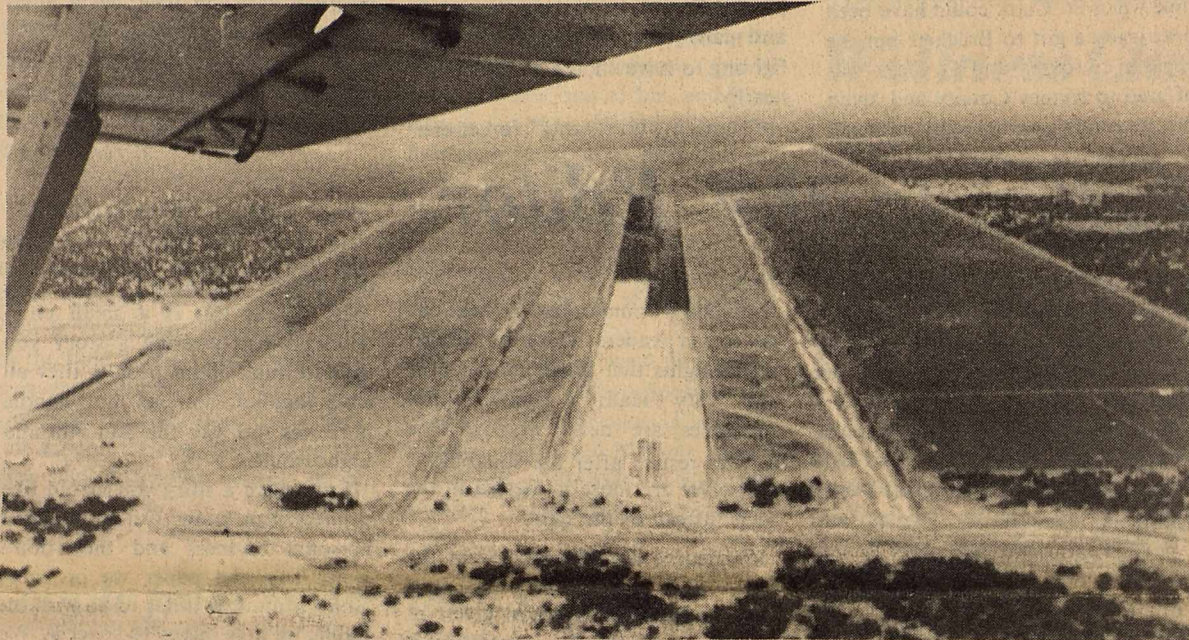
Charles Salsman, Texcor President made the comment admist the crowd that Texcor was indeed wanted in Kinney County. The moans and groans from the crowd left the question of Salsmans' credibility in jeopardy. If indeed there is a group in favor of the NORM plant no evidence of them was apparent at the committee hearing.

Madge Blecher Keys CARE executive committee member made several comments that were note worthy, such as "It makes no sense whatsoever to start this thing before you have rules for it, and if it is as

harmless as they say then we don't need a site for it, you could just leave it where it is or dispose of it on site. But if you decide it is dangerous, you'll need to write strong legislation dealing with it."

Don Parks, CARE representative also made a note worthy statement in, "A tornado last year ripped pavement from Hwy. 90 I'd hate to think what would have happened if it had hit a radioactive dump."

The senate committee included, State Representative Dudley Harrison, Senator Steven A. Carriker, Sen. Judith Zaffirini, Grace Klement, and Sen. Tati Santiesteban. Sen. Zaffirini sponsored the resolution to form the Natural Resource Committee, the committee is committed to a 2 year study of NORM waste.



Above is an Aerial shot of the 442 acre landing strip that is being constructed five miles South of Spofford.

Delinquent Accounts Removed From Books

City Council met in its regular session October 10th at 4:30 at City Hall. Below are the minutes of that meeting.

Fire/Police Fee Retracted

Ordinance #257 B was passed to revoke the \$2 charge on utility bills for Fire and Police protection beginning in November.

911 Resolution

The council discussed the 911 emergency number, the Mayor stated, "I think it would be to expensive for just the city to have it, I'm not saying it is a bad system, but for just the city to go in on this would not be very wise on our part. We will eventually have to up grade our system but by having this 911 we will be paying for the upgrade, at 50 cents a month, it will take two years and they need \$50,000, the county does not even have it on the agenda. The smaller city's I think would be hurting because tax payers will have to be paying for the operators." The council then voted to table the 911 emergency number resolution until they see how the county votes.

Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance adopted

Diane Zuertuche representative for Blue Cross Blue Shield approached the council introducing the insurance plan best suited for City employees. Council members were interested in a new policy as their present company's rates had doubled. After a lengthy discussion the council voted to go with Blue Cross Blue Shield because of the Reputation of the company and the fact the rates were comparable to what they had paid before the increase with their present Co. All council members voted in favor of this policy.

Interlocal Government Contract Between County and City.

Council members voted to pass the Interlocal Governmental contract between county and city peace

officers. The contract was drawn up to provide cooperative protection to the citizens of Kinny Co. by enabling both departments to work when needed.

It will be in effect for one year. If passed by County Commissioners Court.

City Police Report

A letter was sent from a citizen that had recieved a ticket from City Chief Fritter. The man stated that the City Chief was the politest man he had ever met and if he ever got a ticket again he hoped that Fritter would be the one to give it to him.

On a more serious note, the September police report revealed, 262 and a half hours worked, 9 arrests, total car mileage 1594, total fuel usage 138, Citations 27, Warnings 20, Complaints 47, accidents 1, Funerals 1, assistance to the Sheriff's office 2.

Tillery recieves Praise and a Raise

Utility supervisor David Tillery was praised by the Mayor and Councilmen for the fine job he and David Martinez were doing. The Mayor stated, "Mr. Tillery gets out there and gets the job done, without him we would still be about three months behind." Aldermen voted to give him a \$1.50 raise, "We need someone out there to help teach the others so they may catch on," stated Alderman Saenz.

Delinquent Accounts

Delinquent accounts from the past 10 years were found to be uncollectable by the members of city council and removed from the books.

Couple From West Germany Visits

by Lashawn Wardlaw

Mr. and Mrs. Ernst-Gunter Freder of Berlin, West Germany visited Brackettville last week to check on the Berlin-Texas-Teachers' Exchange Program in which computer teacher Eberhard Kunze is involved.

The program allows Germans to teach in Texas for one to three years and Texas teachers have the opportunity to visit there for three weeks. Brackettville teacher, Billie Foust visited Germany last summer. "It was super! There was a group of 22 Texas teachers. We visited the schools learning about their school system. But, we also toured the city, as well as Austria and Italy. Everyone was very hospitable," said Foust.

The pilot program was initiated in 1986 with seven teachers, and has progressed with 100 teachers in the last three years. The format for teaching in each country are quite different. The workdays are longer in Texas, German students go to school from 8:00 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Although, it does even up because the German students only get 6 1/2 weeks off in the summer. "It is difficult for the German teachers to get used to the hot Texas weather. In German schools, if it gets more than 80 degrees F, the pupils are dismissed," said Freder.

Freder also said, "I feel that there is a misconception of Texas. It is not all John Wayne, it is not the television



While staying at Fort Clark Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst-Gunter Freder of Berlin, West Germany were presented with a "How To Talk Texan" tape.

show, "Dallas." He feels that this program allows individuals to see the true side of the Lone Star State.

Mr. Freder and his wife were traveling to the valley from Brackettville. Mr. Freder will return to

Brackettville in the Spring to visit Mr. Kunze. If the program continues

to succeed as it has in the past, Mr. Freder will have many more stops in the great city of Brackettville.

B.I.S.D. Considers a J.V. Baseball Team

The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees voted Monday night to try to plan a high school JV baseball schedule for 1989-90. Baseball has been missing from the athletic program at Brackett since the early 1970's.

Playing a limited JV schedule the first year will provide training and transition time for Brackett baseballers. The Board felt that a Spring baseball program would encourage students to keep their grades up in the Spring semester. One of the obstacles to a baseball program is lack of facilities. All of the games

will have to be played on the road unless a facility can be developed in Brackettville. Superintendent Bob McCall pointed out that all the other

Rose Mary Rubino Elected Dutchess

Last week the Brackett High School Band elected Junior Rose Mary Rubino, the daughter of Mrs. Isabel Rubino, to represent them as their Dutchess. Rose Mary is the Vice President and feature twirler in the band. Last year she qualified for state competition, where she earned a silver medal.

Elected as Band Beau and her escort

schools in the District play on a city or county field that the district helps to maintain.

was J.J. Guidry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward. J.J. is also a Junior and head of the Tiger Band drum section. J.J. participates in tennis and U.I.L. number sense.

J.J. and Rose Mary will represent the band during the halftime festivities of the Homecoming game against Lytle a week from Friday.

B.I.S.D. Seeks Volunteers

Brackett Independent School District is seeking individuals from the community who might be interested in participation as volunteers in some phase of the education process. A letter with a form to be completed was mailed this week in a general mailing. A copy of the letter and form are printed below. If you are interested, please pick up a copy of the form at the school central office.

Superintendent Bob McCall stated, "Education is everyone's responsibility." "It is apparent that educational success is directly related to community support and involvement in the education of young people. We want to use the expertise that exists in the community to help our students grow as individuals."

Comm. Court Canceled Due to Lack of Quorum

The regular meeting of Commissioners Court was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum October 10th.

Commissioner Bizzel and Judge Seargeant were the only members of the court present.

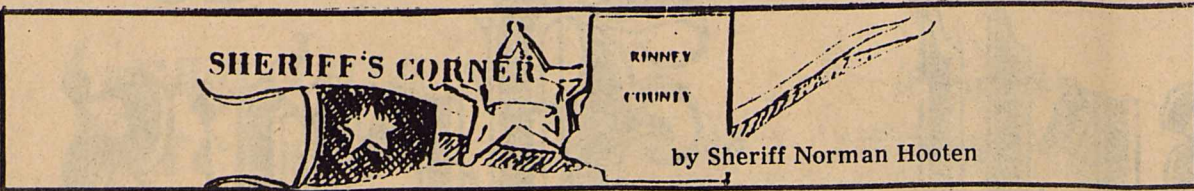
Commissioner Garza is in the hospital, Commissioner's Slubar and Fuentez were both out of town on business that did not pertain to the county.

Homecoming Parade

School will be dismissed early Friday October 20th at 2:30 p.m. so students may participate in the Homecoming Parade at 2:45 p.m.

Rain Fall Report

The much needed rain that fell over Kinney County October 6th and 7th was reported as follows: 4 inches was reported 5 miles south of Spofford near the runway. 9/10 was reported on Kinney Co. Ranch Estates. 2 1/2 inches was reported past the Tula Rosa ranch. 1 4/10 was reported on the Pinto Farm.



An Interlocal Law Enforcement Cooperation Agreement drafted under guidelines provided by the Interlocal Cooperation Act in the Local Government Code has been approved unanimously by the Brackettville City Council at their regularly scheduled meeting on Oct. 10th. The issue was also scheduled for presentation to the Kinney County Commissioners Court at their meeting scheduled for the same date but was rescheduled for Friday, October 13th due to lack of a quorum for the Tuesday meeting.

The Agreement is between the Brackettville Police Department and the Kinney County Sheriff's Department (Chief of Police Johnny Fritter and The Sheriff, yours truly), officially approved by the City and hopefully the County, designed and intended to provide combined law enforcement support and assistance between the two agencies therefore enabling us to provide better and more effective law enforcement service and protection to All residents, citizens, and taxpayers of Kinney County.

Under the terms of the Agreement Chief of Police Johnny Fritter will be authorized to assist the Sheriff's Department in crime prevention and patrol, of not only Brackettville, but also Ft. Clark, Spofford, and other areas of Kinney County. He will also respond to emergency calls when needed as first responder or as backup to the Sheriff's Department. Chief Deputy David Luna, myself, and any other certified and licensed peace officer of the Sheriff's Department will be authorized to enforce City ordinances designed to control the actions of, and protect the property of the citizens of Brackettville. This Agreement will enhance the effectiveness of both the Police and Sheriff's Department and sets out specific terms of liability in the event of injury or death that might

come about during the performance of the respective official duties of officers of each Department.

Both law enforcement agencies are severely short-handed and this Agreement will enhance the strength of both by 33 percent and 66 percent respectively with No additional cost to the taxpayers of either the City or County. I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks to Mayor Vito La Gioia, the City Council, and Chief of Police Johnny Fritter for their strong support and approval of this very important Interlocal Agreement. If approved by the Commissioners Court as anticipated this agreement will be a strong step forward in professional, effective law enforcement service and protection for the residents, citizens, and taxpayers of Kinney County.

State Game Warden Gustavo Sorola of Eagle Pass transported another Eagle Pass resident to the Kinney County Jail Tuesday afternoon, October 10th, charging him with various illegal hunting crimes. Jose Manuel Delgado, 18, remains in the County Jail at the time of this writing in lieu of fines totalling \$600.00 stemming from a case that occurred on Hwy 277 in south Kinney County last week in which at least six deer were killed illegally by Delgado and others with him.

A 1989 Ford Ryder Rental Truck, reported missing and possibly stolen from a rental agency in New Braunfels, Texas, has been located just south of Brackettville on Hwy. 131. The truck, bearing Miami, Florida license plates was abandoned under suspicious circumstances with the rear doors left open and the keys in it. During the course of the investigation it was determined that the truck had been rented in New Braunfels on a one-day local permit last week and never returned. The person who rented the truck is wanted by authorities elsewhere in

the State for passing worthless checks. The suspect is not from here nor anywhere close to here. The reason for abandoning the truck in this area is as yet unknown.

THAT'S ALL

\$3,559 Collected from Forfeited Bonds

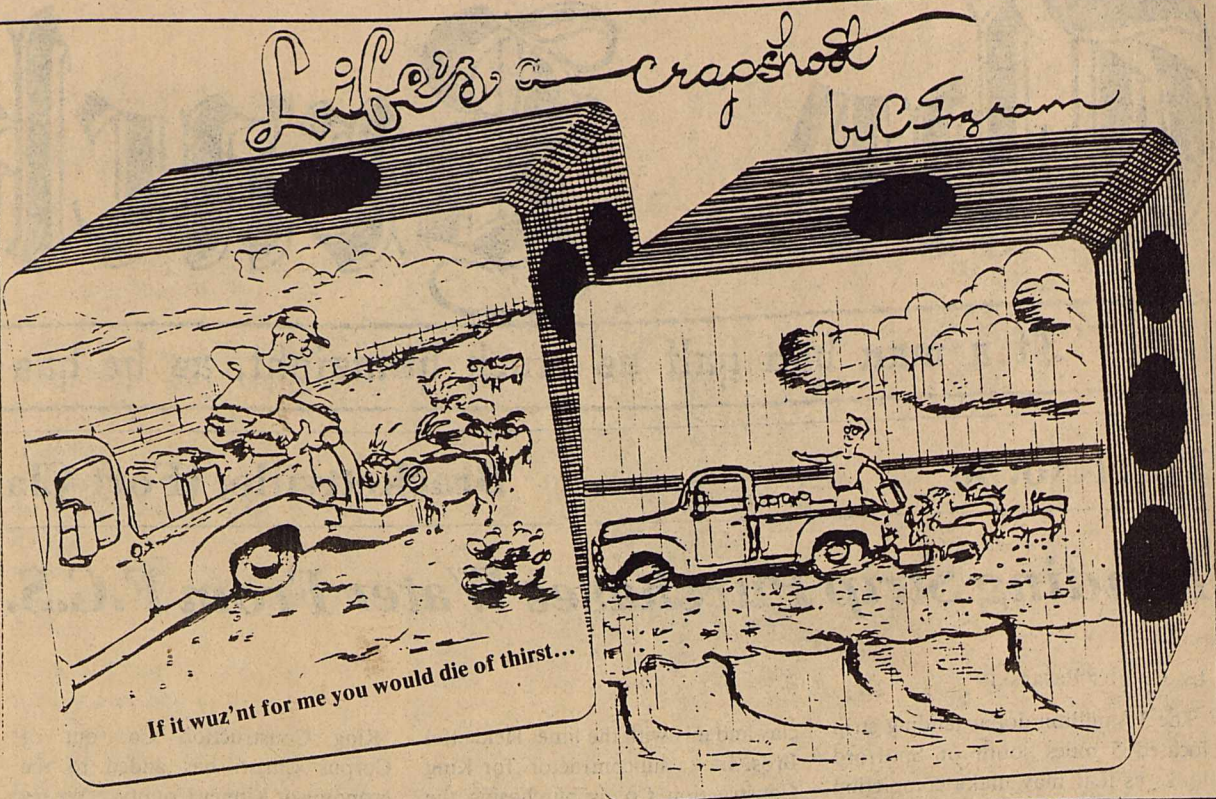
Through a joint effort between Sheriff Norman Hooten and County Attorney Tully Shahan \$3,559 has been recovered in forfeited bonds from Judy's bonding company.

Robert Lauer had recently purchased Judy's Bonding Co. from Tom Barker, when he approached the Sheriff inquiring about a bond for H. Martin the Sheriff refused to except it because he knew of several bond forfeits leveled against Kinney County that had not been paid. The Sheriff then passed this information on to Shahan, after several diligent searches the Attorney found five forfeit bonds. He then contacted Tom Barker who admitted he owed Kinney County some money. The Bonds were then paid in full.

Finance Committee Barbecue

The Finance Committee with the help of the Adult Sunday School Class is sponsoring the Barbecue, under the supervision of Sandra Meil to be held at the N.C.O. Club, Fort Clark Springs Saturday Oct. 21 from 5 to 7 p.m.

In addition to the barbecue fare, the ladies of the Sunday School Class are making the deserts. Tickets are being sold ahead of time or call the Church Office 563-2823. Tickets \$4.50 Adults \$2.50 children under 10. Brisket cooked by Travis Wilson.



PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.

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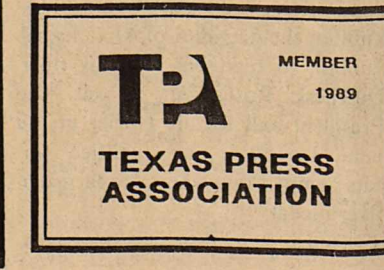
Letter to the Editor

This letter is in regards to the spirit (or lack of) of our "fans" at our football games, particularly at home. This lack of enthusiasm was very evident at the Natalia game. The Natalia fans packed the bleachers and out-yelled, out-spirited and out-everythinged us. The only thing we did was out-number them. That, in itself, is embarrassing to be out cheered by less people at home, no less! It seems that the only yelling that goes on in our bleachers is slightly strained and in scattered groups throughout the bleachers. The rest of the Bleacher is mute. A football game is not to go chat and talk to others about the goings on around town. It's there to enjoy the game and cheer and yell and all the other "verbal-supportive" activities involved in a football game. Instead of sitting there being silent, yell something in support of the team and show that you appreciate that they are there win or lose, especially if they loose. Everybody enjoys winning, and that's usually the only time that anybody yells at all here. The football players are playing to win, but they also need to know that their efforts were appreciated if the "unfortunate" happens.

In regards to the cheerleaders, when the Tigers make a touchdown, I suggest that maybe they turn their backs towards the audience and toss the "souvenir bootballs" behind them. The balls are for random tossing anyway and it would take the appearance of "aiming" away from this process.

In conclusion, we generally have a "full-house" at the home games, yet how come it doesn't sound that way? This not only applies to football games, but other home games as well. Support the team by making your presence known SHOW SOME SPIRIT! come alive at the games and enjoy the fun.

Signed,
A concerned and Dedicated Tiger fan
If you can't yell Bring A Horn!



There is always a small group of negativists who can incite others to stifle progress. There was a time when Brackett could have had the railroad go through the town. Some highly vocal antagonists raised so much noise the railroad went through Spofford. Hence Brackett lost out on many prosperous years while Spofford boomed. There was a time when Ft. Clark could have been practically a gift to Brackett but the negativists roared and Ft. Clark was offered to Kinney County and again the negativists yelled and schemed

and the County turned it down. Through political maneuvering it was sold to a subsidiary Brown and Root for a pittance, Brown and Root then made millions of dollars by sale of assets. There was an opportunity for Kinney County to have a large "Detention Center" (a jail facility) and again negativists howled and incited opposition-so Kinney County lost a large tax asset and many jobs. Now many towns are fighting to have such a facility built nearby.

It's amazing how "anti" forces can

so loudly tout false accusations and misinformation as to raise followers. These same people loudly focus and complain about so many people in Kinney County being on welfare and foodstamps and yet do all they can by whatever means they can devise to present any jobs being created.

Some people feel their claim to greatness rests on their being antagonistic. What a pity they don't know greatness is found in positive accomplishments rather than reactionary antagonism.

Letter to the Editor

Why is it that we in Kinney County have two newspapers and no News? All sorts of things happen here that are never reported. Things that are real news. For instance. We have a couple that have bought a house on Colony Row, on the Fort, and land and a building in Brackett for a business, antique air planes and parts. That seems like news to me. And how about the new construction of a housing project for the elderly/low-income to cost \$950,000? The nearly new Methodist minister is moving to Del Rio. That's news. And on and on.

There are interesting things happening at the courthouse all the time and never reported. Such as a recent squabble between two of our local business men; a law suit; the results? Never read a word about it or anything else that happens in the city or county as far as law enforcement except the Sheriff's column.

Why not print the police and sheriff's reports? Why not print the causes of the ambulance runs, who, etc?

The little columns by Grandma and others are fun but they surely aren't News.

There are lots of us that don't play bridge or golf, or go to the barber shop and our sources are sorely limited and even then more news filters through than is in either paper. We already had one paper with no news and had great expectations for your publication but lo, same, old, same old. Is there an explanation? If so what?

Some of my information above may not be accurate but I am not in the newspaper business and don't have the resources you have to verify or find out things. That is what we need you for and it is a real need. Come on. Lets have at least one Newspaper, Please!

Sincerely
Ms. Fran Owens

I think it was important to them but not to our readers. There are several verbal fights that breakout in Court and City Hall. I don't think squabbles are news worthy. The official results after the squabble is news. We are more interested in the facts instead of the fight.

We believe our Sheriff covers the news from his department most adequately, he has never given us reason to doubt his capability in informing the community on the functions of his office.

As far as ambulance runs go it is illegal to print peoples names that are injured in an accident without their permission. People generally call when they want something in the paper about a loved one.

I am sure (as they always have) that the Methodist Church will make an official announcement to the community when ready. Do you attend

that church by chance?

Ms. Owens this is a small community when covering a story you have to think about people, they all have families, we can not handle ourselves the way the San Antonio Light would.

If you have a story you would like printed let us know. If it is someones personal business and they don't want it in the paper we probably won't print it. If it has to do with the public we'll be happy to cover it. We can not be everywhere at once so we rely on our readers to help us out from time to time with a story. And I am very glad that the majority does not think like you do and that we have many people that appreciate the job we are doing.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Pasanski

P.S. Have you ever read the Enquire? You might find it of interest.

Letter to the Editor

I just had to write and tell you how much I enjoy reading your newspaper. My parents live at Ft. Clark Springs, and my mom sends me your weekly publication. I really enjoy it. It makes me feel closer to them to

read what is going on in their community. I especially enjoy reading Grandma's kitchen, Smoke from Nakai and Sheriff's Corner. Keep up the good work.

C.J.W. from Marion, Indiana

serve you.

Cordially,
Gregorio O. Juarez

Letter to the Editor

I am a concerned resident of Kinney County. Concerned enough to have run for the office of county constable. Concerned for the protection and well-being of the residents of Kinney County. For I will protect and serve Kinney County residents. I will not engage in libel and slanderous immature mud slinging of any sort. I feel all local officials should work together harmoniously for the benefit of Kinney County. Not contrary to each other. Then Kinney County residents fall victims to bitterness. Evil bitterness which would eventually draw from the protection and service which the county residents deserve. I do not understand why and it saddens me to know bitterness is among us. But let me assure you, residents of Kinney County, I am here to protect and

Dear Ms. Owens

Ms. Fran Owens, I take it you are not one of our fans.

We do not report on private property that is being sold or has sold, unless, the owner brings it in to us to print. Many people do not like their personal business in print. As for as the new business you referred to, it employs no one and the owner lives out of town. It is my understanding it is more of a hobby than a business. Then again if he wants to advertise or tell us about his business we will oblige him.

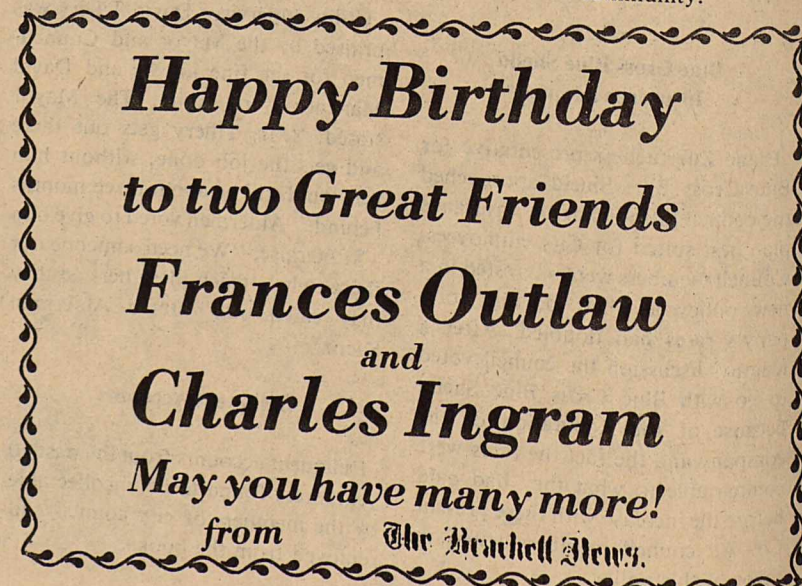
The home for the elderly you mentioned has been rumored for many years now, when and if it is fact we will cover it.

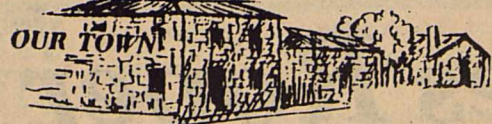
The local business men you mentioned are not the best of friends and squabbles do occur under these

B.I.S.D. Household Survey Mailed

A survey has been mailed to most household in the Brackett Independent School District. The survey seeks input from the community on many aspects of school operations. If you did not receive one, and would like to complete a survey, please pick one up at the Central Office or call one and one will be mailed to you.

The District's initial mailing was done using parent addresses and addresses from the tax appraisal rolls, but input is needed from every segment of the community.





by Warren Outlaw

Leo and Lois Faucart from Mission Texas visited with their uncle and aunt Dave and Irene Blair last week. Leo and Lois originally from Michigan and are really enjoying living in Texas.

Wolf theme, writer for the newspaper "Stern" in Hamburg, Germany was in town last week gathering material for a story on Brackettville to be published in Germany.

Two local artist Kee Bacon and Frances Outlaw will be showing their work at the Cactus Jack Festival in Uvalde this weekend Oct. 13-14.

We wish a speedy recovery to Betty Inman who is in the Methodist Hospital in San Antonio and to Marge Love who is in Wilford Hall in San Antonio.

The Old Quarry Society for the performing arts will present the play "Harvey" at the Town Hall Dec 2nd and 3rd. They will be casting for parts at the Town Hall Oct. 17-18-19 at 7:00 p.m. Come and join the fun.

Ray and Cubie Kurtz are celebrating their 44th Wedding Anniversary Oct 16. We wish them many more.

If you like to sing, you are invited to join the "Voices of Fort Clark." The voices will be meeting at the Town Hall each Monday at 5:00 p.m. starting Oct. 16.

Dolores and Al Wilson, Don, Linda and Guy Wilson and Dick and Huquette Hirsh traveled to the Big Bend Country for several days in their R.V. vehicles. They spent most of the time in the Chisos Mountain area and Saturday Don, Linda and Guy took the eight hour horse back ride around the rim. Needless to say they had difficulties setting down Sunday.

Commissioner and business man Joe Garza is in the hospital we wish him a speedy recovery.

Seaman Recruit Jaime Sandoval will be coming home on the 18th of October, from San Diego, California. He will be in town for 20 days then will return to his Naval Duties.

Dorothea and Bruce Clements had Dr. William Huie from Morehead, Kentucky as a weekend house guest. Dr. Huie was the minister of the Rockville Christian Church, Rockville, Maryland when Bruce was living in that area. Dr. Huie was very impressed with what he saw of the Fort. Sunday we all attended the Del Rio Christian Church and he couldn't get over how friendly the people were. Dr. Huie left Monday for a visit to El Paso before returning to Kentucky.

The Clements' also had Ed and Dorothy Skupa as guests from Haddam, Kansas. Bruce and Ed were Co-workers on the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey in the 1950's. It was like old times getting together and reminiscing about our mutual friends, (most of which we had not seen in 15 or 20 years), and the places we had been.

Maria Elena Pena was in San Antonio, Sept. 30th, to attend the christening of her grandson, Andres Lorenzo Pena, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reggie C. Pena of Bay City. The baptismal vows were made by his godparents, Norma and Joe Hernandez of Austin. The ceremony took place at San Fernando Cathedral. A reception followed at the Party Room of the Cape Cod Apartments. Others attending were his great-grandmother, Mrs. Serapio T. Cardenas, Ruby Yesenia Cardenas; Rebecca, Ricky and Marlena Moore of Del Rio. Also, Martha, Beau and Matthew Smallwood of Brackettville.

Couple from Switzerland Visit

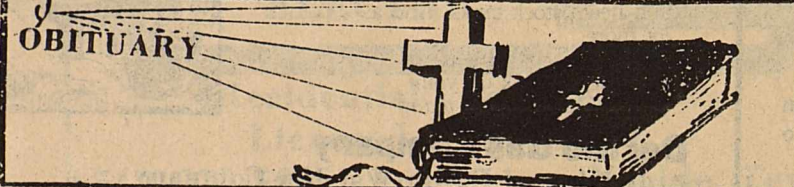
Roland Schaeffli and Angie Lutz from Frauenfeld, Switzerland made a special trip to Brackettville last Wed. while on tour of the United States to see where John Wayne stayed while making the movie "Alamo" and to visit Alamo Village. They were very familiar with the Wainright House

and asked to see it immediately upon arriving. After visiting Alamo Village Thursday morning they left for San Antonio and on to Las Vegas to try their luck at the slots. Roland commented that if he hit it big he would return and buy the Wainright House.

B-B-Q for Interested Cadet Leaders

The Uvalde Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol will be holding a free BBQ for those interested in helping with a Cadet program here in Brackettville for our high schoolers. We will have the airplane and communications van here for your

inspection. Come to the Ft. Clark Swim Park at noon on Oct. 28th for free food and information. Please call Birdie Ward at 563-9416 by Oct. 25th if you plan to come. (so we'll know how much BBQ to prepare.)



Funeral services for Josie Weyerts of Uvalde that died Wednesday October 4th 1989 at the Methodist Hospital in San Antonio. Services were held by Rushing-Estes-Knowles

Services were held by Rushing-Estes-Knowles Chapel of Uvalde at 2:00 p.m. on Friday October 6th 1989. Burial was in Kinney County Cemetary Brackettville, TX at aprox. 3:00 p.m. Friday October 6th 1989.

Poison Ivy Causes Problems all Year Round

City landscapes get invaded by crabgrass, nut grass, dandelions, you name it. But those unwelcome, unsightly nuisances are no trouble at all compared to a well-established patch of poison ivy.

Poison ivy is no unsightly weed. It's a good-looking, dark green perennial that grows as either a shrub or a vine. Each fall, the plant produces pretty white berries, and its characteristic three-leafed branches turn bright red. Unfortunately, it also produces itchy blisters and an irritating rash on unsuspecting passersby.

Poison ivy causes problems all year round, because the whole plant - leaves, stems, blooms and berries - exudes an oil that irritates human skin. This oil spreads directly when you touch the plant. It also spreads indirectly when you touch someone or something that has brushed against it. For instance, dogs and cats don't get poison ivy, but if they have touched it, they can pass the oil along to you. Some very sensitive people even get a rash from airborne poison-ivy pollen in the spring.

Poison ivy likes moist, shady areas, but it can also handle full sun. One of its favorite spots is alongside creeks and waterways. Like many wild plants it is a good colonizer, meaning that it spreads easily into disturbed areas where it helps prevent soil erosion. That's why it's so often found next to paths and walkways.

Some herbicides will kill poison ivy, but most of these plant killers are

"non-target specific." That means some of them kill poison ivy, but they may indiscriminately destroy other plant life in the area, too, especially if sloping ground increases the chance of pesticide runoff. Water pollution is also a possibility if runoff carries a herbicide into street gutters.

Nor do herbicides make poison ivy less potent. The oil on herbicide-treated, dried, or uprooted vines and branches can still irritate your skin and cause a rash.

Still, herbicides appeal to many people who, faced with the nasty job of controlling poison ivy, would rather avoid touching the plant than take inconvenient personal and environmental precautions. If you're in that group, you might want to take a few pointers from public-works and park-maintenance crews for whom poison ivy is a serious job-related risk.

These crews often work in environmentally sensitive areas in parks and along waterways, conditions that make it difficult and in some cases illegal to use herbicides on an offending poison ivy patch. So they remove it by hand - a very well-protected hand, that is.

There's no such thing as too much protection for taking out poison ivy. Overalls, a hat, a long-sleeved shirt, rubber boots and rubber gloves offer the minimum needed protection. You also need a face shield and a hooded jacket if you're using tools like a

weed-eater or a scythe that can sling the plant and its oil around.

Poison ivy is a perennial, and it takes two or three seasons to get rid of it completely. Fall is the best time for the job. For one thing, you want to get to the plant before the berries ripen, are eaten by birds and spread to other parts of your yard. Fall is also the most comfortable season for wearing all that protective gear.

Now that you're fully warned and protected, you can start digging out the poison ivy. Because the oil is so potent, bag or wrap what you have dug up so it can't accidentally expose someone else. Be as thorough as possible in removing all roots and runners.

Library Notes

Need to learn how to prepare IRS Forms W-4, 1040 EZ, or 1040 A? Your Kinney County Public Library has materials available free of charge called UNDERSTANDING TAXES, Teacher's Resource Package. Included are both printed materials and software for use with IBM compatible and Apple II-series personal computers. These are designed for teaching students about taxes for 1989, but may be checked out overnight by anyone who is interested.

Does your Library not have the book or the video you want? Each month your librarian can borrow as many as five books and videos from other libraries through the Texas Library Loan System and the San Antonio Public Library for you. Ask

Immediately after clearing out and disposing of the poison ivy, remove and wash all your clothing, including shoes and gloves. Use lots of soap and water to deactivate the irritating oil. Don't forget to wash the garden tools or equipment you need, too. Then take a long, hot shower, being careful not to contaminate anything or anyone before you scrub off all traces of the oil.

Poison ivy is the kind of weed that makes some people think about revenge. While you might be tempted to blast away at it with an herbicide, if you're interested in effective, non-toxic retaliation remember two things: cover up and wash up.

Thanks

On Behalf of the "Rookies" Girls baseball team we would like to personally take time to thank our sponsors. "Phillips 66" Cruz, Ora's Bar, Rory's Video, and Lela Cervantes as team sponsors. Also Mr. Tully Shahan for our teeshirts.

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Wellness Clinic Oct. 26 & 27

The Texas Department of Health Reg. 6 will conduct a "Wellness Clinic" Oct. 26 and 27 for the citizens of Kinney Co. The nursing division will screen for Cholesterol, diabetes, high blood pressure, nutrition and cancer. We will also offer adult immunization-Tetanus and Diphtheria, and the flu shot. There will be a \$4.00 charge for the cholesterol screening only. All other test shots are free. The Lions Club of Brackettville will also offer free Hearing and Vision testing. We urge all citizens to take advantage of this Clinic. Improve your life-style and enjoy good health and a better quality of life.

For Transportation Services to Clinic (if needed) call Kinney County Judge's Office - 563-2401
Time: Oct. 26 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Oct. 27 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Place: Civic Center

Oficina de Juez del Condado 563-2401
Fecha: 26 de Octubre, de la 1:00 p.m. a las 7:30 p.m.
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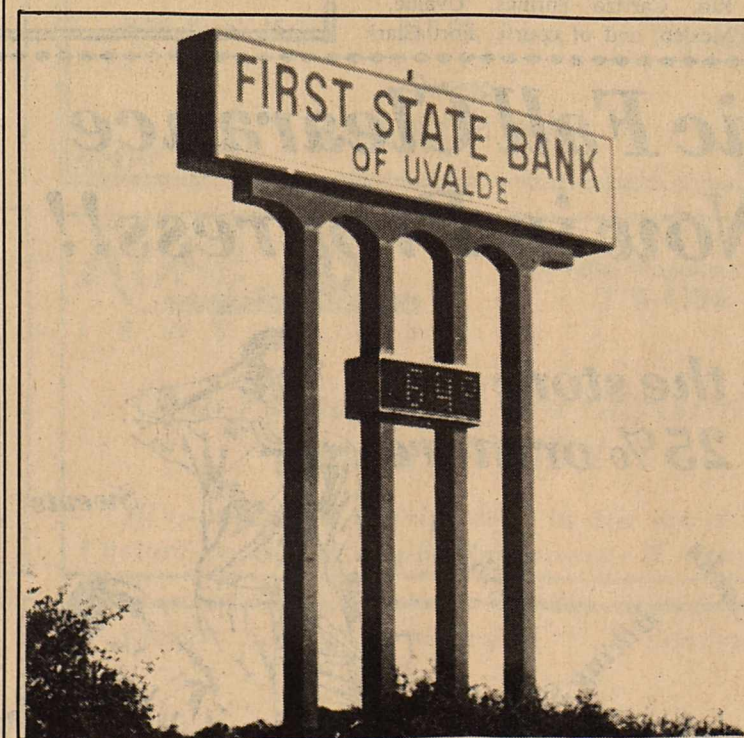
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LINE A	LINE B	BREAKFAST
Monday 16	Monday 16	Monday 16
Chalupas	Hamburger	Cheese Chunks
Taco Salad	Hamb Salad	Toast
Spanish Rice	Fruit	Fruit
Fruit cup	Tuesday 17	Tuesday 17
Tuesday 17	Tacos	Cheese Chunks
Pizza	Taco Salad	Fruit Basket Upset
Spinach Salad	Fruit	Fruit
Green Beans	Wednesday 18	Wednesday 18
Cookie	Chef salad	Cereal
Wednesday 18	Fruit	Juice
Sloppy Joe	Crackers	Toast
Pinto Beans	Thursday 19	Thursday 19
Pickle & Onion	Baked Potato	Peanut Butter
Fruit	L.Cheese	Fruit
Thursday 19	Fruit	Thursday 19
Sausage on a Stick	Bread	Muffins
Sauerkraut	Friday 20	Friday 20
Boiled Potatoes	Deli Bar	Peanut Butter
Cornbread	Lettuce & Tomato	Fruit
Friday 20	Bread	Friday
BBQ Chicken	Fruit	Breakfast Taco
Baked Potato		Fruit
Corn Cobbet		
Biscuits		

Sports... Golf News by Les Roper

Remember When

by J.J. Guidry

HONDO-The Tigers faced the Poth Pirates Friday night in the area playoffs. The Tigers opening offensive play excited all 3,000 plus fans when quarterback Tony Samaniego hit Art Terrazas on a 46 yard bomb. Samaniego eventually attempted a 42 yard field goal, but was unsuccessful. Poth was extremely larger, but only lead 3-0 at the half. The Pirates were eventually victorious 17-6.

The Tigers only TD came on a 2 yard run by 5'7 130 lb. freshman David Koch.

Twelve years ago the Tigers advanced in the play-offs the farthest in Brackettville history. They were led by seniors Tony Samaniego and Moses Benites. Samaniego was an all-state nominee at quarterback, while Moses Benites record of 1,162 yards in a single season.

This year James Schermerhorn has

the possibility of passing this mark.

The biggest difference between the two runners is the fact that Benites had 10 regular season games plus two playoff games, Schermerhorn has played in four games and didn't play in last week's game. There are only four games left with the exception of play off possibilities.

Benites had 1,162 yards in twelve games, which averages out to approximately 97 yards per game. So far, Schermerhorn has 425 yards in four games, which averages out to 106.25 yards a game. Last week Schermerhorn was second in the region averaging 11.5 yards a carry.

If Schermerhorn can fulfill these high expectations, it'll be something to remember. I encourage everyone to watch history in the making when the Tigers face Lytle here for homecoming tomorrow night.

Brackett and Sabinal Scoreless

by J.J. Guidry

SABINAL - The Tigers traveled to Sabinal last Friday night to face the Yellowjackets. Mother nature wasn't very cooperative as the game was postponed for approximately an hour due to rain and lightning. The rain was almost constant during the second half. This was a very defensive game with neither team scoring. The final score was 0-0.

Steve Clementz had 89 yards rushing, but the Tigers had 10 fumbles, which resulted in loss of yardage.

Sabinal had a chance to score with

less than a minute left in the first half on a field goal attempt by Albert Hernandez, but it was called wide. Sabinal is now 1-0-1 in district, while the Tigers tie with Sabinal at the end of the year in district.

Brackett will move down a notch due to the game. In this situation you use penetrations to break the tie. Penetrations are the times a team passes their opponents 20 yard line. Sabinal had 2 penetrations while the Tigers had one.

The Tigers will face Lytle for homecoming this Friday night. Action will start at 8 p.m.

Tigerettes Come Out on Top

by J.J. Guidry

SABINAL-The Brackett Tigerettes improved their district volleyball record as they defeated Sabinal 15-2, 15-10 last Friday afternoon.

Brackett was lead in combined scoring by Vivian Luna, who had 11 points. Shelley McDaniel had 7, Lisa Frerich had 6, Dorothy Ward had 3, Stephanie Ahrens had 2, and Lori Avila had 1 point.

TEAM	DIST. REC.	OVERALL REC.
Lytle	2-0-0	2-2-0
Natalia	1-0-0	5-0-0
LaPryor	1-0-0	3-1-0
Sabinal	1-0-1	2-1-1
Brackett	0-1-1	2-2-1
Dilley	0-2-0	1-4-0
Cotulla	0-2-0	0-5-0

Predictions		
Favorite	Pts.	Underdog
Brackett	3	Lytle
LaPryor	19	Cotulla
Natalia	20	Sabinal

Tigerettes Play Eagles

by J.J. Guidry

BRACKETT-The Leakey Lady Eagles traveled to Brackett Tuesday afternoon to face the mighty Tigerettes in a non-district game.

The Tigerettes took the first game 15-11. Lorina Avila lead Brackett with the winning serve and 9 straight service points. Vivian Luna and Shelley McDaniel had two points, while Dorothy Ward added one.

The Tigerettes were cold in the second game losing 0-15.

The deciding game was filled with excitement. The Eagles came up on top with a 15-7 victory. Avila had three service points, while Ward and Ahrens contributed pts. each Ahrens also had an ace in game three.

The J.V. game also was close, though the Eagles again came up on top 15-12, 15-13.

Tanya Frerich lead the J.V. with

combined points of 7. Michelle Brandt and Regina Rubino had 6, Wendy McDaniel and Lisa Wardlaw had 2, and Jennifer Shahan had one.

The Varsity will face Lytle here for a district 31-AA matchup. The Tigerettes have only gave up one district loss, which was to Cotulla. Brackett faced Lytle earlier in the season, and was victorious Lytle was victorious over Cotulla last week, action will begin at 5 p.m.

There is an old saying that goes something like this... "Behind every good man there stands a good woman." If that quotation could be made over it should go something like this... "Behind every good man there stands a better woman." This past Friday, during the couple's weekly scramble, there were three better women standing behind three different teams that were led by a man. These three lovely ladies were all a part of golf history that was made that day while playing golf at Fort Clark.

Louise Williamson, who was playing in a foursome with her husband, E.W., and Jack and Dorothy Wood, walked up to her ball, which was some 135 yards away from the hole, and very deliberately chipped in for a very spectacular eagle. Approximately five minutes later, Maye Roper, who was playing with her husband (yours truly), Andy and Avis Anderson approached her ball some 110 yards from the hole and after taking dead aim she politely chipped in for an eagle. What a feat...two eagles in one day. However, not the end of this incredible story. Luella Johnson, our 1989 putting champion, and her team approached their second shot which was some 55 yards from the hole. Luella took one practice swing and then, very meticulously, stroked her ball into the cup for an eagle. When old Horace Smith built this course he never anticipated anything like this ever happening. Three little ladies scoring eagles on the same day during the same tournament. This will go down in the history books and all of the good folks who entered and played that day were a part of it. Good work, gals!!!

Taking home first place money in the couple's tournament was Jack and Dorothy Wood, E.W. and Louise Williamson with a net score of 28.25. Jack hosted the contest and must have enjoyed it so much he jumped up and won it again, making him the host for the coming Friday. Coming under the wire in second place was Ralph and Hilda Viestenz, Ray Kurtz, and Flo Stafford with a net 40.25. Third place was claimed by Gordie and Lorraine Lundquist, Dave and Virginia Russell with a score of 41.00.

The men's summer league finished their eleventh week of competition with all places being wrapped up. Ralph Viestenz's team of Dan Isenberg, E.W. Williamson, and H.C. Barker added one and one half points to their already insurmountable lead and Bobby Derrickson, Tom Faulkenberry, Herby Voracek, and Andy Anderson picked up three big solid points to insure their claim on second place. Finishing third was Gordie Lundquist's team and coming in last was the team led by Rueben Warren. Visiting with Viestenz, he replied, "It was the consistency of our team turnouts and their dedication to the league play that clinched it for us. We were represented by a full team of four men each week and that was the key." The same could not be said for the other three teams.

The Fall Couple's Tournament, sponsored by the golf committee, did not draw as many teams as had been hoped for but the shortage certainly did nothing to dampen the spirits of the playing ability of the entrants. Players came from San Antonio, Del Rio, Carrizo Springs, Uvalde, Mexico, and of course, Fort Clark

Springs.

Saturday, the weatherman welcomed the players with a good, slow, soaking rain that delayed play until the afternoon. No one seemed to mind the delay and the good scores that were turned in complimented the good condition of the golf course.

After the first day of play the contestants and their spouses met at the club where they were served a delicious mexican dinner prepared by Lela, our dining room hostess. Following the dinner everyone then enjoyed a very active and exciting golfer's social.

The championship flight was won by Steve and Betty Bullington, two very handsome young people from San Antonio, who impressed everyone with their ability to hit the ball long and straight. Not only did they play good steady golf but they made a special effort to be nice and polite to everyone. Needless to say, they accumulated more than their share of new friends from Fort Clark. Right on the heels of our two winners was the team of Roy and Fern Dyer. This pair continued their winning ways and, again, represented our club like true champions. After play Fern was asked about their success. She replied, "It could have been a lot better but my golfing partner just came in from a two week vacation with Charlie Rose. That should tell you something. Roy just got so heavy I couldn't handle the load." Third place was won by Bob and Jane Young, two wonderful people who never fail to bring a little joy and sunshine to our golf course. This golfing pair will beat any three of a kind in the country.

The first flight was split three ways between Richard Young and Shirley Stephenson, Karl Chism and Lecartia Patino, and Bill Bizzell and Eilleen Stewart. There are several different ways to decide a winner when you have ties but in this case it was decided to split the money three ways between the three teams that had won. Pictures were made of the winners, congratulations were made, and invitations were extended to all of the participants to come back and enjoy the next tournament to be held at Fort Clark Springs.

Tuesday, October 10th, the ladies met at the club and had their weekly tournament. They had twelve bouncing beauties competing against one another in a low gross-low net round of golfing fun. This format was so simple it was difficult to find the right words to describe it. Oh, them "gallopin' gals of golf." Winning first in the low gross was Luella Johnson, no stranger to the winner's circle. Winning low net was Mary Lee Trollinger, the most improved lady golfer on the fort. Don't be surprised to see her playing championship golf in the near future.

Words of Wisdom: To have an open mind doesn't mean you also have to have an open mouth.

Birthdays

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Chavez, Feature Speaker at S.W.T.J.C.

Jerry Chavez, former Uvalde Area 4-H and Youth Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service of Texas A&M University, was the featured speaker at the fall initiation ceremony of Southwest Texas Junior College's Eta Beta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a national community college academic fraternity, last week. (October 3)

Addressing the organization's honor theme for 1989-90, "The America's Distant Neighbors Building Bridges," Chavez said, "We need to improve our bridge building and sometimes may even have to reconstruct old bridges."

Chavez who has built bridges through his work with 4-H in Brazil and El Salvador challenged the initiates.

"I challenge you as honor students to begin building bridges by approaching foreign students on campus or youth and adults in the community."

"Study the language, take advantage of trips going to Mexico or other Latin American countries, study the cultures of these countries and learn all you can about what various countries have to offer," he continued.

Do your best to fortify and strengthen bridges with our neighbors south of the border," Chavez concluded.

During the initiation ceremony, student members and officers of the fraternity explained the traditions, beliefs, and activities of PTK.

According to Gilbert Gonzalez III, PTK vice-president, "To be eligible for membership, a student must have a 3.5 overall grade point average on a four point scale and must maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain in good standing."

Members who remain in good standing are accorded the privilege of wearing a gold stole during graduation exercises.

Traditionally, scholarship, fellowship, leadership, and service are all a part of PTK membership nationwide.

PTK members serve as tutors for the developmental studies division at the college. In addition, PTK members are eligible for transfer scholarships to four year institutions if they have been active in their local chapters and several former members of the local chapter have received such scholarships.

Service activities of the local chapter were presented by Historian Maria Saucedo.

"PTK members are actively involved in both community and college

service," Saucedo said. "Last year we donated \$40 to Uvalde Cares for Children, helped with the Special Olympics and the Kids Fair. We also co-sponsored the SWTJC Creative Arts Contest and will do so again this year."

Also speaking were President Esteban Alejandro and Secretary Kelley Williams. PTK sponsors are Barbara Blair and Manuel Alejandro. Jane Willingham served as pianist during the ceremony.

Interim President Jerald Underwood and Dean of Instructional Services Dr. Robert Aguero were named by the local chapter as honorary members in recognition of their support and encouragement to the chapter.

There's a fine lady of our community who has been in Kinney County all her life. She went to school in one of the several small rural schools of the County. She was married to a man who for many years worked at Ft. Clark. He then served as Post Master and later as Municipal Judge. His wife worked for many

years in the Tax Assessor Collectors office for Sheriff Johnny Sheedy. In the later years of her husband's life she spent many days and weeks helping and caring for him. She is a lovely person about whom I've never heard a contrary word. She is friendly, gracious, and truly is an "Unsung Hero" Sally Couture.

New PTK members initiated included Patricia C. Davis, Asherton, Richard K. Schueling, D'Hanes, and Shasta C. Davis, Janet S. Forbes, and Alanna C. Talamantez of Del Rio.

Also admitted to membership were Rosantina R. Alejandro, Juan R. Estrada, Diana Heredia, Baltazar Maldonado, Linda P. Munoz, Jose N. Rodriguez and Martha P. Torres of Egale Pass.

Other new members Melanie L. Moore of Sabin, Leanne K. Bownds of Utopia and Uvaldeans Beverly A. Bowen, Lana R. Hargreaves, Olga Lozano, Regina L. Rowan, Michael L. Royal, Chris Sanders, Aspen E. Smith and Sharon F. Tinsley.

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Bridge Anyone?

On Tuesday October 3, Duplicate bridge was played with the Mitchell movement. North-South was won by Norma Gould and Rozetta Pingnot. Tied for second place were the teams of Alice Seargeant and Dot Burrow and Jim Harber and Birdie Ward. First for East-West were Millie Harvey and Fram Swanson. Flo Stafford and Helen Lynch took second place.

Due to a mix-up, no winners were declared for the game on Sunday October 8th.

On Tuesday October 10th, the

Howell movement was used. Anita Korbel of Del Rio and Tina Bauguess took first place. Coming in second were Ned Martin of Del Rio and Eva Claire Dooley.

Post 8552 Dance

Del Rio Pos 8552 is hosting a dance on Oct. 21 at 8:30 p.m. The Roadblocks will be playing for your pleasure. Donations of \$3.00 per person are requested. Come on out to 1307 E. 1st street in Del Rio for an evening of fun.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Thursday, October 12 - 7:00 p.m.**
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- Friday, October 13 8:00 p.m.**
 Tigers v.s. Lytle - Here
 Homecoming
- Sunday, October 15-1:30 p.m.**
 Duplicate Bridge
 Saber room
- Monday, October 16-8:00 p.m.**
 A-A
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Consumers Have Definite Color Preferences

Consumers have definite packaging and color preferences in foods. Do those preferences—which matter a lot to farmers and marketers—reflect real differences in food quality? Or are they just skin deep?

Take chicken. Fryers and broilers come “packaged” in skin, and the color of that definitely affects sales. Some shoppers want chicken skin to be yellow. Others like it white.

This particular preference seems to run in families. Chances are your parents bought the same skin color chicken their parents did, and that is probably the color you buy, too. Regions also matter. By and large, people in the Northeast prefer yellow-skinned chickens while those of us in the South and Southwest want whiter ones.

Some people who buy white-skinned chickens think yellow skin means the bird is too old, too fatty or hasn't been properly cleaned. But these are popular misconceptions.

In fact, the different colors are due to different feeding and processing methods. They don't reflect any difference in freshness, quality or nutritional value.

Initially, all chickens have a thin, yellow outer skin coating referred to as “bloom.” On chickens fed corn or alfalfa, this bloom is yellowish than it is on chickens that eat wheat or milo. That's because corn and alfalfa contain a pigment that adds to the color of the chicken's skin. Marigold petals also supply the same natural yellow/orange pigment, so some producers add them to chicken feed to enhance skin color.

Scalding temperatures also affect skin color. Chickens are scalded right after slaughter, to kill bacteria and to loosen the feathers and make plucking easier. If buyers prefer yellow skin, the processor scalds the birds at 125 to 128 degrees F. That way, the hot water doesn't affect the thin yellow “bloom” layer. For whiter skin, the scald bath is set at 140 degrees F. or higher to bleach out the yellow color. Either way, nothing changes except the color.

So it's wrong to equate yellow-skinned chicken with fatty chicken. Chicken fat is yellow, but fat doesn't cause the yellow “bloom” on the skin. Chicken fat is underneath the skin, and consumers can easily trim it

off if they want to.

The color of other poultry products works the same way. Egg yolks can be made light yellow or dark yellow depending on what the hens eat and what consumers like. But here, too, color has no bearing on the quality of the egg.

What's true for yolks holds true for egg shells, except that the hen's diet doesn't determine whether the egg comes out white or brown. What matters for shell color is the breed of the hen. Some breeds lay brown eggs, others lay white. Brown eggs may look more natural or wholesome to some customers, but they're no better for you than white eggs.

The biggest difference between

brown and white eggs is the price. People in the business say the hens that lay brown eggs cost more to maintain, because they're bigger and eat more. The producers say these higher housing and feed costs explain why brown eggs retail for about 10 cents more per dozen than white eggs.

There's no doubt that color affects the choices we make at the grocery store. Almost unconsciously, we choose what looks “right” to us, what we're used to seeing. But as an informed consumer you should know that the color of chicken skin, egg yolk, and egg shells doesn't necessarily say anything about nutritional value or quality.

ATPE “Kick Off” Celebrity

The Association of Texas Professional Educators is pleased to announce the kick off of a television public service announcement campaign featuring Tom Landry, Earl Campbell, Darrell Royal and Texas Elementary Teacher of the Year, Barbara Walker. The PSPs are directed at two target groups: students and parents. They address the problem of lack of parental support in the education process and combat Texas' dropout rate of 33 percent.

The focuses of the PSA's were chosen after an informal poll of ATPE's 50,000 members. Texas teachers felt that the biggest pro-

blems they face in the classroom today are dropouts and lack of parental support.

The script and concepts were created by ATPE's Public Relations Department. The PSA's were produced by Texas Pacific Video under the supervision of Director Layton Blaylock.

The four celebrities generously donated their time and talent to the PSA's. Austin-area school children are the students in the PSA's.

The PSA's have been sent to 77 Texas television stations and are scheduled to begin airing this week.

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WHEREAS, in accordance with the petition, notices and orders pertaining to the incorporation of the Town of Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas; and

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WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Brackettville had established and set a Fire and Police Department Operational fee of \$2.00;

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Vito La Gioia
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jinger Dodson

Constitutional Propositions

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 40 proposes a constitutional amendment that would change the format of the oath of office for officeholders in this state. All elected and appointed officers would be required to take an oath or affirmation swearing to faithfully execute the duties of office and to preserve, protect, and defend the constitution and laws of the State and the United States. In addition, each elected and appointed officer would be required to sign a sworn statement that he or she had not paid, offered, or promised anything of value for a vote or to secure appointment to an office, as applicable. The written, sworn statement would be filled with the secretary of state. The information in the statement is currently contained in the oaths of office taken by elected and appointed officials.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

“The constitutional amendment to require that a member of the legislature, the secretary of state, and an elected or appointed officer, before assuming office, sign a written oath stating that the member, the secretary of state, or the officer did not engage in bribery to obtain the office.”

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 24 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to authorize the issuance of up to \$400 million in general obligation bonds. The proceeds of the bonds could be used to acquire, construct, or equip new corrections institution, mental health and mental retardation institutions, youth corrections institutions, and statewide law enforcement facilities and to repair and renovate existing facilities of those institutions. The bonds would constitute a general obligation of the state. The bonds and interest on the bonds would be paid from the first money coming into the treasury that is not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, less any amount in a sinking fund at the end of the preceding fiscal year that is pledged to payment of the bonds or interest.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

“The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds for projects relating to facilities of corrections institutions and mental health and mental retardation institutions and for the expansion of statewide law enforcement facilities.”

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
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7:00 P.M.

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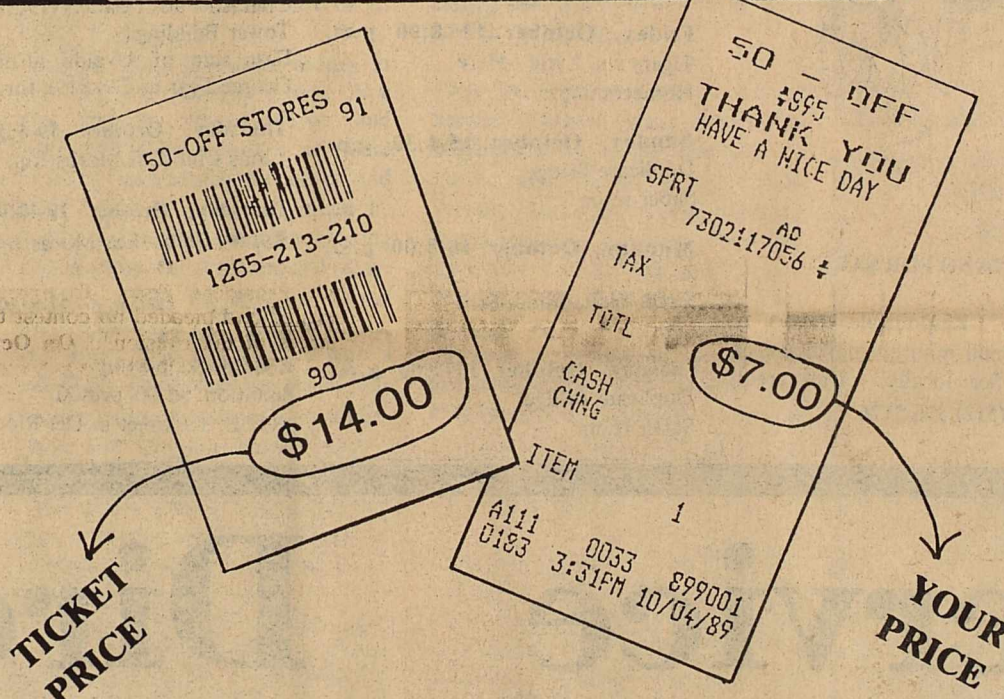
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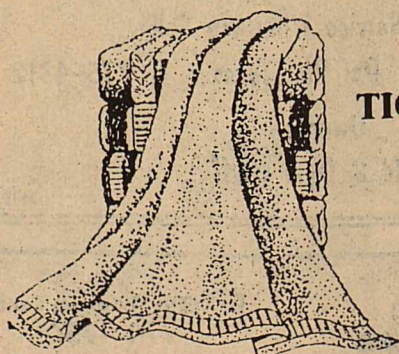
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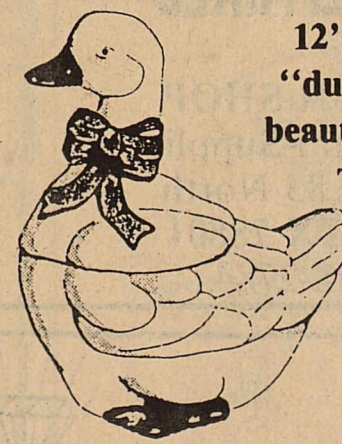
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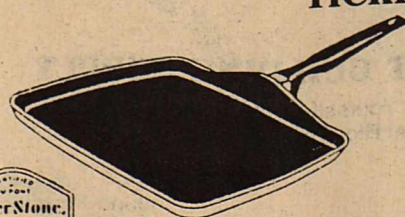
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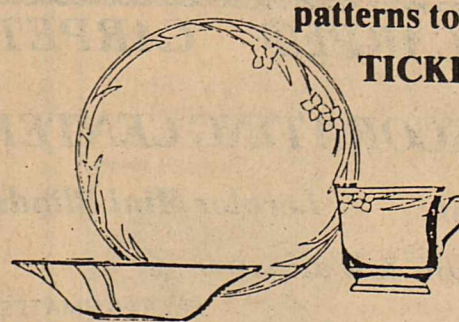


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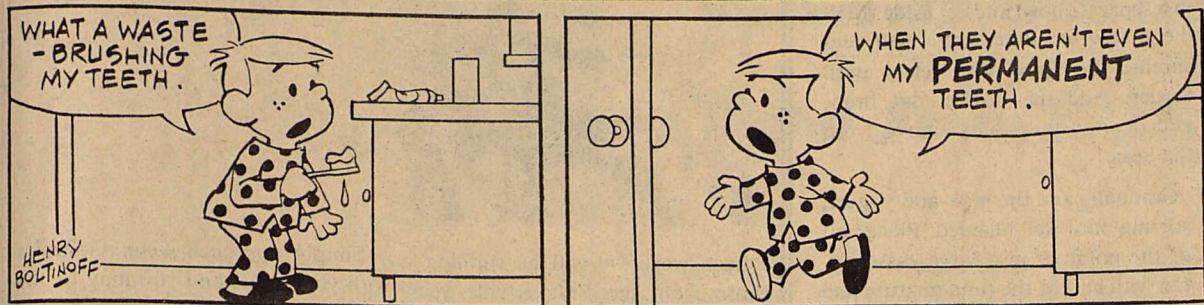
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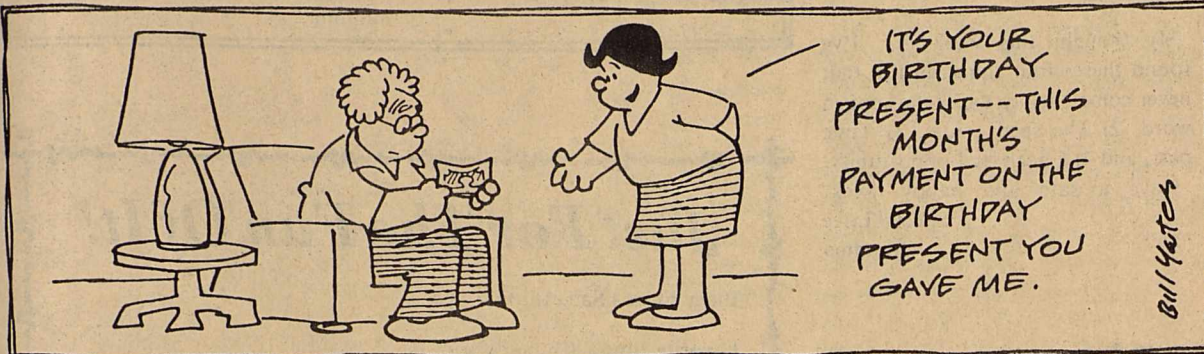
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Trivia Test

by Linda Luckhurst

- Nations:** Name three countries that border Guyana.
- States:** What state has the nickname, Constitution State?
- Capitals:** What is the state capital of Alaska?
- Geography:** How many islands make up the Canary Islands?
- Canada:** What is the largest Canadian Province?
- Agreements:** Name the three participants in the 1978 Camp David Accords.
- Presidents:** Name the president who originally founded the presidential retreat, Camp David.
- The Bible:** Name the first words of its first book, Genesis, I:1.
- Music:** Name Pat Boone's first hit song.
- Television:** What was the name of the 1967 sitcom that starred Eve Arden and Kaye Ballard?

YOUR HOROSCOPE

by Charles King Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You'll be able to coast a bit this week at work since you accomplished so much last week. However, coasting does not mean lack of attention, so be careful. A loved one may not be in the best of moods, so do avoid confrontations.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Career plans will proceed quite nicely this week, putting you in a rather sunny mood. This will affect everyone around you and you will find these people being most cooperative. Take advantage of this in order to accomplish multiple tasks.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) This is a good week for you to pursue research and educational matters. Your insight is right on the mark and helps you reach the correct conclusions. For the weekend, romance is definitely in the stars, putting you and your loved one in a wonderful state. A quick getaway may be in order.

MOON CHILDREN (June 21 to July 22) This week is the total opposite of last week's situation. Feel free to plunge into the social scene. However, while you're kicking up your heels, don't overdo it. Make sure you get enough rest and take care of yourself properly. Along those lines, it's a good time to start exercising.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Take some time this week to go over your financial status. A somewhat lax attitude toward expenses may be catching up with you. On a positive note, you'll be able to quickly straighten this out. Family members are cooperative.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You may be in somewhat of a career rut and are feeling the strain this week. It's a good time to assess your talents and explore new opportunities. As an alternative, you may want to think about what you can do to improve your current situation.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A certain friend may be some-

what annoying this week since this person seems to be interfering in your life. Don't let this get to you. Your friend only has your best interests at heart, even if you're feeling a bit pressured. However, follow your own intuition rather than any advice.

SCORPIO (October 23 November 21) You may be feeling a bit restless this week. Allow family members to snap you out of this mood rather than sinking totally into it. This feeling will disappear by the weekend, leaving you quite upbeat. It may be a good time for a family outing since you're feeling so optimistic.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 December 21) The situation at work with that underhanded co-worker continues this week. However, now that you're onto this person, you will be able to successfully deal with what's going on. Don't take this situation too seriously since nothing bad will come from it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The light finally dawns for you this week and domestic harmony is the pleasing result. Don't waste time feeling guilty. Just get on with things and enjoy the peace. The weekend is a good time to tend to chores around the house. Some cleaning may be in order.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Since you've been spending time assessing your romantic situation, you're in for quite a pleasant surprise. Something unexpected will occur this week leading you to a happy conclusion. A change of scenery is good for the weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This will be quite a productive week for you, both at work and at home. Your energy is up and you'll take full advantage of it. By the weekend, you can feel free to go ahead and reward yourself. Perhaps a shopping spree is in order.

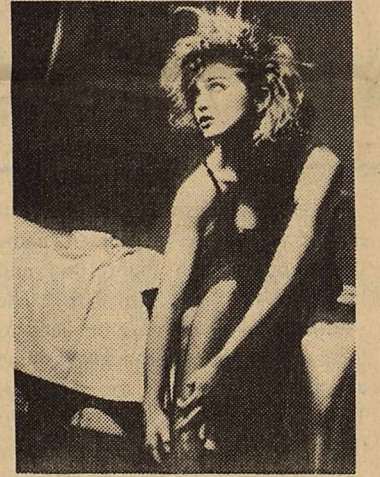
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This Week In History

This week in 1492, Christopher Columbus and his crew sighted land on Oct. 12 in what is now known as the Bahamas ... **On Oct. 15, 1858**, the Lincoln-Douglas debates concluded ... **On Oct. 16, 1859**, abolitionist John Brown and his men seized the U.S. Armory at Harpers Ferry ... **On Oct. 11, 1871**, damage from the Great Chicago Fire was estimated at \$196 million ... **On Oct. 10, 1935**, "Porgy & Bess" opened in New York City ... **On Oct. 10, 1973**, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew resigned and pleaded no contest to charges of tax evasion ... **On Oct. 12, 1973**, Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president ... **On Oct. 12, 1976**, an Indian Caravelle jet crashed after takeoff at Bombay airport killing 95 people ... **On Oct. 13, 1976**, a Bolivian 707 cargo jet crashed in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, killing the crew of three, but killing 97 more people on the ground — mostly children.

Top 10 Singles

1. **Madonna** "Cherish," (Sire/Warner) Last Week: No. 2
2. **Janet Jackson** "Miss You Much," (A&M) No. 6
3. **Bee Gees** "One," (Warner) No. 3
4. **The Cure** "Love Song," (Elektra) No. 11
5. **Fine Young Cannibals** "Don't Look Back," (MCA) No. 12
6. **Young M.C.** "Bust A Move," (Delicious Vinyl/Island) No. 7
7. **Rolling Stones** "Mixed Emotions," (Columbia) No. 9
8. **Roxette** "Listen To Your Heart," (EMI) No. 10
9. **Motley Crue** "Dr. Feelgood," (Elektra) No. 15
10. **New Kids On The Block** "Cover Girl," (Columbia) No. 20



Top 10 Movies

1. **Sea of Love** starring Al Pacino
2. **Kickboxer** Jean Claude Van Damme
3. **Uncle Buck** John Candy
4. **Parenthood** Steve Martin
5. **When Harry Met Sally** Billy Crystal
6. **Shirley Valentine** Tom Conti
7. **Lethal Weapon** Mel Gibson
8. **The Abyss**
9. **sex, lies and videotape**
10. **Turner & Hooch** Tom Hanks



King Crossword

ACROSS

1. Price
5. Applaud with the hands
9. South American rodents
10. Employed
12. English school (poss.)
13. Dispatch boat
14. Breeze
15. Quickly
16. Adapt
19. Thrice (mus.)
20. Half an em
21. Abounding in ore
22. Vehicles
23. Portion of a curved line
24. Spawn of fish
25. Disembark
27. Pole
28. Greek letter
30. Fuss
31. Long practiced
33. Studded
35. Public notices
36. Ear shell
37. Ignore
39. Bridle straps
40. Set again
41. Lower part of a wall

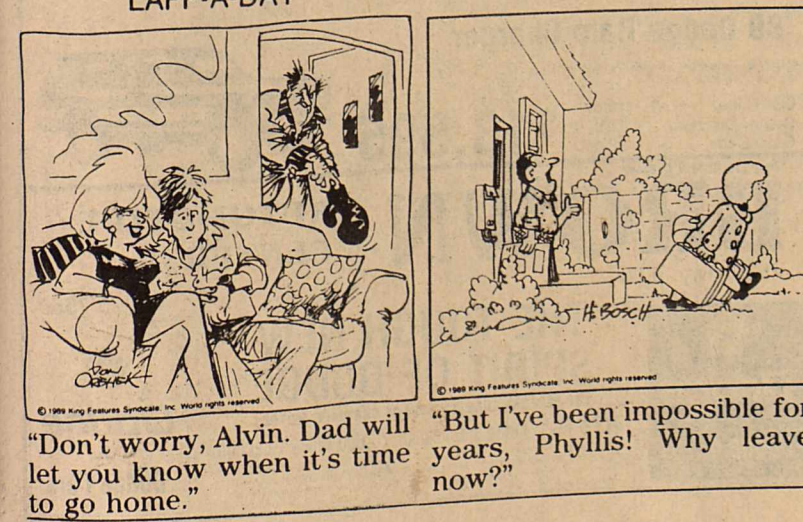
DOWN

1. Allot
2. Fruit of the oak
3. Shade of brown
4. Large worm
5. Amulet
6. Reside
7. Awns of rye
8. Annoy
9. Freedom from war
11. Movable barriers
15. Lever
17. Wade across a river
18. Grampus
22. System of signals
28. Loss of sense of smell
24. Decay
25. Work
26. Worshipped
27. River (U.S.)
28. Cushioned
29. Insert
31. Reverse of a coin
32. Lift
34. Dispatch
37. Sea eagle
38. Sheltered side

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Answers To King Crossword

PRICE	APPLAUD	SOUTH	EMPLOYED	ENGLISH	DISPATCH	BREEZE	QUICKLY	ADAPT	THRICE	HALF	ABOUNDING	VEHICLES	PORTION	SPAWN	DISSEMBARK	POLE	GREEK	FUSS	LONG	STUDDED	PUBLIC	EAR	IGNORE	BRIDLE	SET	LOWER
ALLOT	FRUIT	SHADE	LARGE	AMULET	RESIDE	AWNS	ANNOY	FREEDOM	MOVABLE	LEVER	WADE	GRAMPUS	SIGNALS	LOSS	SENSE	DECAY	WORK	WORSHIPPED	RIVER	CUSHIONED	INSERT	REVERSE	LIFT	DISPATCH	SEA	SHELTERED

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TEVDADVENECSPER

Home hints

CHILD'S BOOK — I have a suggestion for parents who have small children. I took a small photo album, the kind with the clear plastic over the pages, and made my three-year-old his very own picture book.

On the first page, I put a picture of him and wrote his name. Then, using children's magazines, animal magazines and various others, I put in pictures of his favorite things and wrote the word under each picture. He loves it! Now he has a book he can read.

I used wide clear tape to seal the plastic pages so the book is virtually indestructible! Jean P., Woodsboro, Texas

MATCHING SOCKS — I use fingernail polish and put it on the toes of socks. This way, whoever is putting the laundry away can easily tell whose socks are whose by the different colors. It makes laundry day a lot easier. Nilda R., Newbern, Tenn.

COMPUTER HINT — My favorite hint has to do with the "find" feature of our word-processing program.

I set up a file named "trivia" and I type all important trivia into it. I type the date and a short paragraph of information. Then I have the computer find the information for me at a later date just by having it search for a key word.

An example would be any one of these Home Hints. Let's say the hint was about sachets. I just give the command for "find" and type in the word "sachet." Immediately, there it is. Wanda K., Dumas, Ark.

Share your special Home Hint with our readers. Send it to Diane Eckert, King Features Weekly Service, 235 East 45th Street, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Trivia Test Answers

1. Venezuela on W. Brazil on S.
2. Connecticut; 3.
3. Juneteenth; 4. Thirteen, seven which are
4. Inhabited; 5. Quebec which is
5. 694,666 square miles; 6. Egyptian
6. Prime Minister Menachem Begin
7. U.S. President Jimmy Carter; 7.
8. F.D. Roosevelt in 1942; 8.
9. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth; 9.
10. "The Mothers-in-Law"

Grandma's Kitchen



Hey, I'm going on a thousand mile walk this year. Want to come along? I'm sure that most of you would like to respectfully decline my offer, but you can't! you have to join me, that's how far you walk each year. And while the local dump's knee deep in your worn out footwear, you're (hopefully) still on your first pair of feet. Considering all the pounding and squeezing they get, your feet are an engineering masterpiece. Such loyalty, they put a dog to shame. Regardless of what you do, which way you decide to go, they support you, and that ain't easy. Each step taken by 130 pounds person puts about 500lbs of pressure on each foot. Now your feet are only human like the rest of your body, they need to be given some consideration or they develop problems.

It's amazing we don't have more problems, considering that there are 28 bones in each foot. Half of them are in the toes. The other key points are the arches, heels and bindings. Remember, all these bones are wrapped with ligaments, tendons and muscles. What causes most foot problems? Shoes! Your foot was not

make for shoes, especially most womens' shoes, nor for walking or running on concrete. But we live in a paved over world and so we need shoes.

The ill-fitting ones, along with jogging on hard surfaces, cause most foot problems-and keep podiatrists in business. We're their sole support. If you take care of your feet you'll never have to moan, "My feet are killing be." Actually, the reverse is true, when they hurt, you are torturing them, your loyal supporters.

Next column I'll give you some info on how to prevent foot problems and how to remedy them.

Now lets get back to cooking, that's what kitchens were made for. Heres the best bread pudding recipe I've ever tasted, it came all the way from Kent, Wa. and if you make the butter sauce that I gave you last week for a topping, you'll be a hit.

Best Ever Bread Pudding
7 slices of whole wheat bread - crumbled
4 cups milk scalded
1 Tbs margarine melted

1 cup sugar
1/2 tea salt
4 eggs slightly beaten
1 1/2 tea vanilla
1 1/2 tea cinnamon
1/2 tea alspice

Soak bread in milk for 5 minutes - add margarine so it'll melt in the hot milk. Add the rest of ingredients and mix well. Pour into greased loaf pan, place pan in oven in a larger casserole pan with about 1 inch of hot water in the bottom. Bake 350 degrees for 50 minutes or until firm.

Next I want to give you a delicious entree, fresh out of my health book.

Tuna Potato Bake
Three, 7 oz cans tuna
one-3 oz can sliced mushrooms
1 Tbs worcestershire sauce
1/2 tea Tabasco sauce
2 Tbs vinegar
3 cups diced cooked potatoes
1/4 cup cholesterol free margarine
1/4 cup thinly sliced onion
1/4 cup thinly sliced celery
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
3 Tbs oat bran
1 tea dry mustard

Best Ever Bread Pudding

2 cups skim milk
1 cup plain nonfat yogurt

Combine the tuna, mushrooms, worcestershire sauce and tabasco sauce and set aside.

Combine the vinegar and potatoes in a separate bowl and set aside. Melt the margarine in a saute pan and simmer the onion and celery until tender. Add the flower, oat bran, and dry mustard and remove from the heat.

Gradually add the milk and yogurt, stirring until well blended. Place half of the potatoes in a large casserole, top with half of the tuna mixture and half of the sauce mixture. Repeat the bayers. Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes. Serves six, and 330 calories per serving.

My thought this week is... I've found theres four things in life that never come back to us, 1) the spoken word, 2) The sped arrow, 3) Time past, and 4) a neglected opportunity. Have a safe and happy week.
Special Love
Grandma

Photos From The Past Contest



Last week Photo of the past contest was Felix Gonzales. Dora Sandoval was the winner of the Free meal at Felix with a correct guess.

Each week we will be running a photo from the Bracketville year-book of 1946. Can you guess who it is? The first person with a correct guess will win a FREE lunch at "Felix".

Simply approach Felix Gonzales with your guess and you may be the winner. Felix can be found at Felix restaurant located at 111 Spring St. in the old Nipper Drug store building.

TASP Test required for Financial Aid Applicants

The registration postmark deadline for this year's last administration of the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) Certification Form test at Southwest Texas Junior College, and 120 other test sites statewide, is Saturday, October 21.

The TASP is a new writing, reading, and mathematics skills assessment, remediation, and advisement program mandated by House Bill 2182, which was signed into law by the governor in the Spring of 1987.

Registration forms and financial aid information are available at the college. The cost of registration is \$24.

SWTJC has received vouchers to distribute to entering college freshman who demonstrate financial need to take the test free of charge.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board determined the number of vouchers each institution received, and recommended that the Pell Grant Student Aid Index be used as a criteria for distribution.

"We will issue vouchers on a first-come, first-served basis to students who have a Student Aid Index of '0'," said David England, SWTJC TASP director.

"In order to receive a Student Aid Index number, students must have completed the Financial Aid Form available in the SWTJC Admissions Office. It takes approximately four to six weeks after the submission of the form for it to be processed."

An index number of "0" indicates that the student's family is unable to pay any of his college expenses under Federal guidelines.

"It is too late to begin the Financial Aid Form process in time for this test date, but some students may have already begun or completed the process," England said. "We are hoping that this will further encourage students to begin the financial aid application process early."

With some exceptions, teacher education majors and entering college students will be required to take the official Certification Form of the TASP test.

"The impetus for the TASP was a publication by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board entitled A Generation of Failure: The Case for Testing and Remediation in Texas Higher Education," England said. "Essentially, the report showed that students who came to college without sufficient skills in writing, reading, and math fail and/or drop-out at alarming rates."

"The TASP is intended to identify those students and provide them with a second chance to acquire those skills through remedial programs," he continued. "The goal of the TASP is both ambitious and exciting, but as the implementation process evolved, legal issues and considerations made the administration of the program very complex and difficult to understand."

Teacher education majors may take either the TASP or the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) until May of 1991 when the PPST will be phased out. Teacher education majors who have failed part of the PPST have the option to complete their testion requirement by passing the corresponding parts (reading, writing, and/or math) of TASP.

"All college students who had not completed at least three college-level credit hours before the fall of 1989 are required to take the official test unless they are enrolled in an exempt vocational/technical program," he continued, "but there are some differences in the policies of individual institutions."

All students who are not exempt from TASP must pass all parts of the Certification Form before graduation or before continuing past 60 semester hours.

According to England, who had served on several statewide TASP Impementation Committees since the fall of 1987, most Texas community colleges and many universities also have local placement policies restricting enrollment in many college courses to those students who have passed the TASP test or another similar assessment test.

In implementing TASP, institutions were given a choice to use a local placement instrument to place students in appropriate courses, or to require students to take the official TASP Certification Form before accumulating nine college-level semester hours. Institutions that choose the first option may allow students to accumulate 15 college-level credit hours before taking the official TASP Certification Form.

Since many students will not take the official test until they have already begun college and since statistics show that the first semester of college is critical to student success and retention, it was expected that most community colleges and many universities would choose the first option, administer a local test before students begin classes, and require those who do not meet the set standard to begin remediation immediately.

Thirty-eight community colleges, including fourteen from South Texas, and fourteen universities officially chose this option for the 1989-90 year. Some other institutions are using mandatory assessment and placement policies that were already in place before fall 1989.

Institutions who chose not to use a local test will be required to remediate many students in their second semester, regardless of their performance in first semester classes.

"We have discovered through research that students who need and take remedial courses are successful at a rate comparable to students who do not need remediation," England explained. "Our local placement policy requires that all students who graduate from high school in 1989 and subsequent years take remedial courses if their local test score does not meet the set standard and if they have not completed a course that requires college-level writing, reading and/or math skills even if they are exempt from the TASP by virtue of completing one or more courses."

"A 1989 high school graduate who has passed our freshman English course during the summer, for example, is exempt from remediation in writing and reading, but will be tested and, if appropriate remediated in math."

The only exception to this policy will be students enrolled in SWTJC one-year vocational-technical pro-

grams, which include air-conditioning and refrigeration, auto mechanics, cosmetology, diesel mechanics, and vocational nursing. One year office occupations and secretarial students will be exempt from TASP, but may have to take some remedial courses since their certificate programs include some college-level courses.

"Students can significantly decrease the possibility of having to take and pay for the TASP test a second time by waiting until they come to SWTJC to take the test," England said. "If they fail all or part of our local



The ancient craft of tinworking is cherished in New Mexico, and is still practised by a handful of full time professional tin smiths. They call tin the "poor mans silver" and create complicated patterns by cutting, bending, crimping, scoring, piercing, and punching the tin, sometimes on one side, and sometimes on the other.

They make useful things from wall socket plates to headboards for beds. At Christmas time they make tin decorations for the tree and ornaments too, religious art, framed mirrors and candelabras to name a few.

Tin art work has been part of the sacred and secular life in New Mexico for as long as anyone can remember, going as far back as 400 years ago when the first Spanish settlers arrived.

According to legend, the early Hispanic craftsmen acquired their skills from Moorish invaders who sat around the campfires at night forming bits of tin into sparkling works of art.

TSTA Supports Troubled Youngsters

A swimming party for sexually abused children, a pizza party for homeless kids, a trip to NASA and the Astrodome for kids with no parents...these are among many youth projects of the Texas State Troopers Association, a private support group for DPS officers. Heading up the TSTA youth program is Jerry E. Miller, a retired major with 27 years service with the Texas Department of Public Safety. At the proper moment before every outing, Miller has the youngsters repeat two sentences after him: "Police are my friends. I hate drugs."

The trooper's association will soon provide Miller with a 25-seat van, complete with restroom, for carrying youth groups all over Texas. Purpose of the program is to introduce underprivileged and other young children to police and to wholesome recreation and travel, and to inform them of the dangers of drugs. TSTA's ultimate goal is to reduce crime by helping youngsters stay out of trouble and become good citizens. I recently took a group of little kids from the Salvation Army to a fun

assessment test when they come to us, we will have at least one semester to prepare them to take it.

A limited number of study guides for the TASP test are available in the SWTJC Bookstore for \$9.25. The 600 page books normally retail for \$12 in bookstores; \$15 by mail.

The address for ordering the book by mail is: The Official TASP Test Study Guide, National Evaluation Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 140347, Austin, TX 78714-0347.

For more information on TASP, contact England at 278-4401.

In the early days tin was scarce but in 1846 when American soldiers came they brought with them food and lamp oil in large tin cans. The soldiers sold these large tin cans to local craftsmen who quickly became adept at the craft of tin smithing. They in turn passed the art down to their children and grandchildren.

The artists know these old patterns from memory and keep developing more of their own. Silhouetted birds is one of their most attractive designs.

Some of the tin smiths sign their work and have won many prizes at exhibits and fairs. Museums in the United States and Canada exhibit signed tin art work.

Lamps, boxes and filegrree work is either polished to a sheen or left unpolished to develop a natural patina that is in great demand.

The younger generation of tin smiths are only hobbyists now, but some can in the future develop into another decade of skilled tin smiths, At least the art will survive and not be lost entirely.

Texas State Troopers Association was founded in 1984 to provide backup support and encouragement for DPS officers, most of whom work in dangerous, high-stress duties. It provides recreational and health facilities, low-cost insurance, legal and legislative help and death and disaster benefits. It also provides financial assistance to officers wounded in the line of duty, and to the widows and families of officers slain while serving the people of Texas.

Operational funds for the trooper support programs and also it's youth work are provided through sale of "booster" memberships and telemarketing sale of tickets to country western shows. It's administrative offices and health/recreational facilities are at 5540 North Lamar, in Austin.

Just For The Fun Of It!

Place born - San Antonio, TX

Favorite food - Chinese food

What's the best movie you've ever seen? Rainman

Best book you've read lately - Interview with a Vampire by Anne Rice.

Hobbies you enjoy - Sewing, Camping, Collecting Antiques.

Your friends say you're - Fat

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? Australia

Secretly you've always wanted to be? Rich and skinny.

If you could change anything about Bracketville, what would it be? A 24 hr. Clinic.

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