

# 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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## Sergeant, Fuentes, and Garza Pass Constable Training at an Increase to Taxpayers

Commissioners met in a special session to discuss several topics Monday morning at 9:30 in the Kinney Co. Court house.

Judge Sergeant as well as Commissioners Garza and Fuentes voted in favor of sending Constable Juarez to Corpus Christi to receive the required T.C.L.O.S.E. training at an extra cost to taxpayers.

Sheriff Norman Hooten had explained to the court prior to the motion made by Garza that: "S.W.T.J.C. is a contractive agency for the M.R.G.L.E.A. (Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Agency). The M.R.G.L.E.A. has been established for 15 years and for the past 10 years the director of the academy has been Mr. Bill Madison. I've been a member of the Board of Directors for a few years and was recently appointed Vice-Chairman of that board. A 10 year report demonstrates the ability of the academy to furnish and provide very

efficient and professional training for the peace officers in this 9 county district, 3,389 have received certification there.

To the best of my knowledge all of the peace officers from this 9 county district have been certified at S.W.-T.J.C. You don't get any freebee's over there they don't just walk you through there, but that's not the purpose of a training academy, a training academy is there to train officers. I also spoke to the director of the school in Corpus, and was informed that the primary purpose of that academy is to train their own people, and that the director was not even sure they would have classes in January."

Commissioner Bizzell questioned the necessity of spending extra money to send Juarez to Corpus and stated, "This is how I feel, Corpus Christi costs \$500 in tuition, Uvalde costs nothing. Your motel bill for 10 weeks would cost about \$3,500.

Meals a minimum of \$15 per day, and travel about \$600 that comes to about \$4,500. Uvalde tuition is zero, no motel, you could travel back and forth. One meal a day, you would have breakfast and dinner here. So we are looking at about \$850 to \$4,500. I can't see the county spending the extra for Corpus besides we don't have it."

Juarez then replied, "All I'm asking for is \$1,500. You always think ahead before you compromise with me or anyone else."

"That is part of being a commissioner we have to look ahead", replied Bizzell. Bizzell then asked what the taxpayers in the courtroom thought of the extra spending but the Judge, (executing his right) would not allow comments.

Juarez then stated that he thought he would be discriminated against in Uvalde.

That is when Garza motioned to send Juarez at a cost of \$1,500 to

Corpus, his motion was seconded by Fuentes and passed with a vote from Sergeant.

Slubar and Bizzell voted against it. County Auditor Betty Deason then addressed the court, "May I say something as a taxpayer and the auditor, the Misc. line item is almost depleted for the year." (County budget reflects a budget from October to October the following year.)

Commissioners then approved the Kinney County Nutrition contract for 1989-1990 that would allow additional funding for home delivered meals. According to Nutrition center director Tencha Pena, "This could mean that we may be able to home deliver 6 to 7 more meals to the elderly.

A resolution in support of legislation to authorize the state of Texas to reimburse counties for State mandated duties performed for the State was passed.



A happy Melinda Luke displays the rifle she won from the Chamber of Commerce.

## She's A Winner!

by Jennifer Pasanski

Melinda Luke said that her whole trailer shook as she jumped up and down after being told that she was the winner of the 30-06 rifle raffled by the Chamber of Commerce.

"You should have heard me, I practically woke up the whole neighborhood", stated Melinda. Melinda is an avid hunter and had just returned from a hunting trip when she learned of her fortunate win. The beautiful rifle and scope will fit nicely with her collection.

Melinda began hunting 7 years ago. "When I shot my first deer it was so dramatic, I just felt like crying and then I wanted to nurse it back to health," Stated Melinda.

But with time Melinda learned to love the sport and her walls are lined

with trophies. One particular trophy displayed in her home is of a "Gold Class Trophy Axis". Other mounts include wild boars, beaver pelts and an assortment of deer.

Melinda does most of her hunting in Texas although she has traveled to Montana to hunt varmit. Her most recent interest is in hunting quail and dove and she spends time training her bird dog so they will be ready when the season opens.

"I bet a lot of guys will be upset with me for winning the rifle," stated Melinda, "But I really needed it!"

Whether they are upset with her or not Melinda will get many miles of use out of the rifle and scope.

The rifle was donated by the Burr Ranch to the Chamber and the raffle raised \$859 for the Chamber.

## Billy Joe's to Open Soon!

by Jennifer Pasanski

Billy Joe (B.J.) and Marion Pierce will be the new owners of Felix, look for the grand opening Monday December 4.

The couple moved to Brackettville 4 months ago and began looking for a business.

"We looked at Richard's and Hazel's but we didn't like the location on the highway, we wanted something that would cater more to the community," stated Marion.

Marion has her degree in Business Management and her husband Billy Joe recently retired from 14 years of service in the Navy. He is also a Vietnam vet, a disc jockey, and President of the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Assn., he is presently employed with the Civil Service at L.A.F.B. They have three children Vienna a sixth grader, Monique a fourth grader and B.J. Jr. a second grader.

The couple was trying to think of a name for the business and were looking at old fashioned names, country this and country that, when Billy Joe said, "what about my name it's old fashioned and country." Marion agreed so that will be the restaurant's new name - "Billy Joe's".

Does anyone remember the restaurant, "Magee's"? It used to be located in the present Waterhole building in the south part of town. Magee was famous for her good home cooking.

Lilly Dimery, worked for Magee for two years, and will be the Head Chef at Billy Joe's. She also was the proprietor of the Hill Top until 1978. Billy Joe has promised to bring all of his music to the restaurant. "We'll be playing soft music to dine with. I don't like trying to eat when loud, fast music is playing".

Lunch time specials will be offered daily aimed at the working class and high school students. "And don't worry", stated Marion, "Carolyn, will still be here!"

The business will be closed over the week-end for some re-arranging. But look for the Grand Opening Monday Dec. 4, "FREE" coffee and donuts will be served throughout the day, be sure and stop by to wish this couple a successful beginning.

Hours of operation will be from 10:00 a.m. till 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. until 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The restaurant is located on Spring St. in the old Nipper drug store building.

## Standards Set For Law Enforcement

by Norman Hooten

The Advisory Board of the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy held their final meeting of 1989 at Southwest Texas junior College Wednesday, November 22nd. The Advisory Board consisting of peace officers and civilians is mandated by state law under provisions of the Rules & Regulations of the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education. The primary function of the Advisory Board is to meet with the Director of the Academy and officials of Southwest Texas Junior College (the contracting agency) at least quarterly to set policies and procedures for education and training of peace officers in the nine county Middle Rio Grande Criminal Justice District.

At the Wednesday meeting a quorum was established and the members present acted on several items under consideration, including reorganization of the Board of ten (10) members, seven peace officers and three civilians. Sheriff Don Letsinger of Edwards County was elected Chairman of the Board with Sheriff Norman H. Hooten of Kinney County elected to serve as Vice-Chairman for the remainder of 1989 and all of 1990. Sheriff Hooten is a senior member of the Advisory Board having served as a voting member since 1980.

The 1990 Advisory Board of Directors of the middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy consists of the following:

Chairman-Don Letsinger, Sheriff, Edwards County  
Vice-Chairman-Norman H.

Hooten, Sheriff, Kinney County.

Member-Tom Herrera, Chief Deputy Sheriff, Maverick County

Member-Charles Bruce, Chief of Police, Del Rio

Member-Vance Chisum, Chief of Police, Uvalde

Member John S. Fritter, Chief of Police, Brackettville

Member-Bill Waldrop, State Game Warden, Uvalde County

Member-Eddie Rodriguez, Civilian, Maverick County

Member-Ms. Kingsberry, Civilian, Zavala County

Member-Ms. Joyce Herndon, Civilian, Uvalde County

In other business before the Board a report by Academy Director Bill Madison on an analysis of T.C.-L.O.S.E. licensing programs conducted at the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy over the past 10 years was presented along with a report of the year 1989. A brief summary of those reports is included below:

Licensing Programs: January, 1980 to November, 1989.

Basic Peace Officer Course-20

County Jail Guard Courses-21

Reserve Peace Officer Courses-8

Total Licensing Courses taught-49

Total Students Registered-849

Total Clock Hours-8,845

Total Student Contact Hours-177,485

In-service and advanced courses: January 1980 to November, 1989.

Courses Conducted-84

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## Drug Dogs Visit Brackett

### Independent School District

Drug dogs visited the campuses of Brackett Independent School District on Monday, November 27, 1989. This is the second visit for the dogs from Global, Inc. of San Antonio this year. An earlier visit in September also found no evidence of drugs. The dogs were led around campus by their handlers. The dogs were exposed to classrooms, hallways, lockers, and automobiles.

Superintendent Bob McCall said that he was very pleased that no drugs were found. This does not mean that drugs are not present in the community. It does indicate that students are not bringing drugs to school. The drug dogs first visited Brackett in May of 1989 on an

experimental basis. At that time, the dogs marked a jacket in an unassigned locker, and a student's notebook.

However, upon closer inspection of the jacket and notebook no identifiable evidence of drugs were found. All visits are unannounced. Even administrators are not aware of the specific day the dogs will visit.

Mr. McCall noted that the drug dogs are part of the district's on going drug education and drug prevention program. We want students and the community to know that drugs are dangerous and illegal and we definitely want to do as much as we can to keep drugs out of the hands of students and off the school grounds.



Steve Clements hustles to make a point during the game played against the Angoras.

## The Association Will Assume Management of Golf Course

by Les Roper

The Board of Directors of Fort Clark Springs met in the board room Monday afternoon at two o'clock and voted unanimously to release North American Towns of Texas from their lease on the golf course. In doing so the association will be assuming the management of the entire golfing facility pending the final contractual agreement between N.A.T.T. and Fort Clark. The attorneys for these two organizations will work out the details and handle all of the legal aspects of the transaction. It was announced that N.A.T.T. would subsidize the Fort for assuming the golf course but the amount would have to be negotiated by the attorneys. At the present the target date for the exchange of management is January 1, 1990.

There is a letter now being prepared

to mail out to the entire membership of the golf association (172 members) notifying of a general meeting on

Monday, December 4, 1989 at five o'clock in the afternoon. This meeting is of utmost importance since it's primary purpose is to elect five members to serve on a committee to hire a course superintendent, work up a budget that will be acceptable by the Board of Directors, and oversee the management of the golf course and submit a progress report to the Directors on a regular basis.

The Association will be taking a giant step in the assumption of the golf course, so fellow golfers, lets give them our 100 percent support in this endeavor. The place for this meeting will be announced in your letter.

## Chili Supper Fund Raiser

A chili supper, complete with salad bar and cake will be held at the Fort Clark NCO Club from 5-7 P.M. on Saturday, December 2nd. The supper, for the benefit of the First

United Methodist Church of Brackettville, will be \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children under 12. The public is invited.



Linda and Sonya Correa get ready for opening day at Sweets-n-Things.

## Look for Grand Opening!

Sweets-n-Things will open just in time for the holidays.

The business offers a variety of gift ideas, toys and candy. Jars of bright colored candies line the counter and will be sold by the quarter pound or pound which ever satisfies the sweet tooth in you.

Robert and Linda proprietors of the business have announced that door prizes will be given away opening day, December 1.

The Correa's - originally from Del Rio moved to Fort Clark Springs almost 3 years ago. They enjoy the small town atmosphere, but finding work was hard for Linda, "That's why I decided to open Sweets-n-Things, I also got tired of traveling to Del Rio to find something reasonable

that I could afford," added Linda. Robert stays busy with his carpet cleaning business called, "Carpet Cleaning" and services over 7 communities.

The exciting thing about Sweets-n-Things is that you won't get bored seeing the same merchandise on the shelves, the merchandise will change monthly allowing for a fresh new variety each month.

The Correa's have a lot of creative new ideas and plan to offer a drive through service in the summer time, including hotdogs, snow cones, and popcorn.

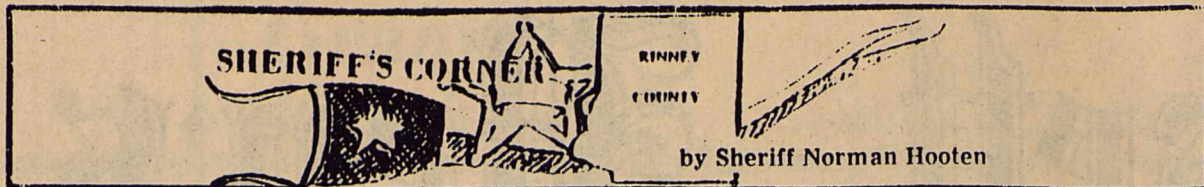
The couple have one daughter Sonya, she is a third grade student at Jones Elementary.

## Qualia Featured at F.C.H.S.

The Fort Clark Historical Society's program on Saturday, December 2 will feature Thomas Qualia, third generation proprietor and vintner of the Val Verde Winery of Del Rio. Mr. Qualia will explain the workings of the winery, in operation since

1883, with a talk and slides. His presentation will be followed by a tasting of the new crop of wines just bottled by the winery. (It is a very good year.) Everyone is invited to attend and sample the great products of our only area winery.





All elected and appointed public officials are expected to demonstrate high standards of honest public service designed to be in the best interest of the Majority of the people they serve. These standards are demanded by law and basic morality. All too often we see those officials in office who have lost sight of the fact that they are public servants whose salaries and operational expenses are paid for with hardearned tax dollars of the taxpaying public. They forget that they work for the People!

These selfish, self-serving tyrants will slip and slide, duck and dodge, and twist and turn in many devious ways to serve their own interests at the expense of the people.

A blatant example of self-serving elected officials demonstrating a total disregard for the taxpayers money and the old-fashioned morality of "the right thing to do" occurred at a Special Meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court Monday, November 27, 1989. The culprits involved in the expensive farce were County Judge Tommy Seargeant, Commissioner, Pct. 1, Joe Garza, Commissioner, Pct. 3, Ruben Fuentes, and Constable Gregorio Juarez. In a three to two vote the Commissioners Court voted to allow \$1,500.00 to Constable Gregorio Juarez to attend a 10 week Basic Peace Officers Certification Course in Corpus Christi, Texas. It was very evident that the deal had been cut and dried before the court was officially called to order to consider the issue. This in itself is

illegal! When the issue was opened for discussion, Commissioners Bill Bizzell and Rosemary Slubar attempted to reason with the Judge and the other two Commissioners, citing the fact that there would be two Basic Peace Officers Certification Courses held at the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy in Uvalde in 1990 available to area peace officers and law enforcement agencies at NO COST to the officers, agencies, cities, or counties participating. This logic fell on deaf ears and attempts made by Commissioner Bizzell to obtain comments or observations from the large group of taxpayers present at the meeting was cut short by Judge Seargeant, who stated, "This is a Commissioners Court decision, the taxpayers have nothing to say about this." Commissioner Bizzell's reply was, "Well, it's their money." Judge Seargeant ignored all logic and continually called for the vote on the issue that he already knew he had.

From all appearances Judge Tommy Seargeant is using the tactics so common in Duval County years ago. He seems to consider Constable Juarez his private "pistolero" and has had some item related to the Constable on nearly every agenda of Commissioners Court meetings since the Constable took office in January of this year. He has shown an exceptional interest in an office that is basically a non-functioning office and a man who is not now, nor ever has been, a bona-fide, certified,

licensed peace officer. If indeed Judge Seargeant is cultivating his own private, personal bodyguard he could have made a better choice. I doubt if Constable Juarez could hit the side of a barn with the pistol he so proudly and arrogantly wears.

Constable Juarez has performed no real duties, made no arrests, and has served only two sets of civil papers since taking office 11 months ago, yet Judge Seargeant has time and time again spent taxpayers money for the Constable. He first tried to obtain a patrol car for the Constable at taxpayers expense. That failing he then tried (illegally) to take from the Sheriff's Dept. a vehicle that had been confiscated in a drug related arrest to give to the Constable. That effort also failed. He then forced through Commissioners Court a resolution to give Constable Juarez \$100.00 a month travel pay, again at taxpayers expense. Then Judge Seargeant attempted to take from the Sheriff's Dept. radios and emergency lighting systems to give to the Constable when we are already on the razor's edge of having enough equipment to operate our 24 hour a day, 7 day a week law enforcement operation serving the people of Kinney County. When that also failed he then obtained radios and lights for the Constable, at taxpayers expense.

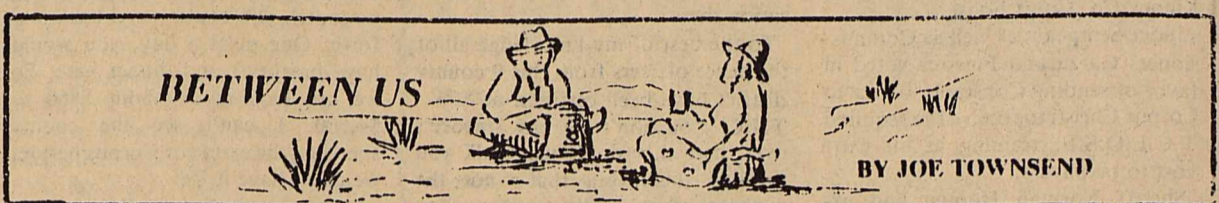
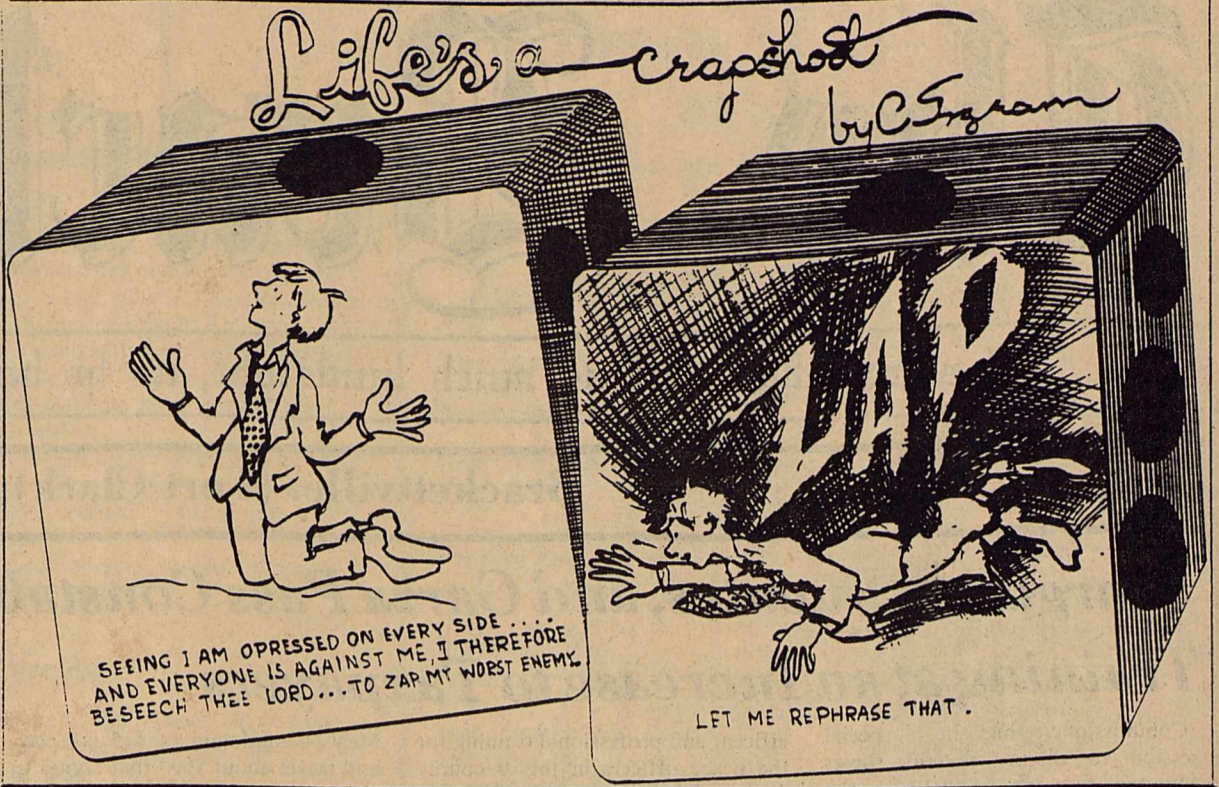
Then Judge Seargeant became aware of a state law that now requires all Constables who are not certified, licensed peace officers to become certified and licensed within two years of the time they take office. Judge Seargeant scrambled around in an attempt to circumvent the law and obtain a license for the Constable without him having to go to school as other peace officers do. Constable Juarez even bragged around town that he would not have to go to school and that he could obtain the required certification "on an installment plan". Seargeant again wasted hundreds of taxpayers dollars by sending Constable Juarez to a "continuing education" course out of our area far from here when the Constable cannot even be credited with the 40 hour course until he meets the basic certification requirements as mandated by law under the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education. He could have attended the same course at the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy at a fraction of the cost.

The Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy located at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde, Texas is offering many education and training courses to area law enforcement officers during 1990, including two Basic Peace Officer Certification Courses. The two Basic courses are offered AT NO COST TO THE TAXPAYERS! Yet Judge Seargeant has gone to great expense to Kinney County taxpayers to send Mr. Juarez to school in Corpus Christi. Why? Well, it seems that Mr. Juarez feels that he would be discriminated against if he attended the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy. Bull! Could it be that Mr. Seargeant and Mr. Juarez are really just looking for a "soft spot" and an "easy way out"?

The Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy is a state licensed, highly respected institution of higher learning that is used extensively by law enforcement agencies and peace officers throughout the 9 county Criminal Justice District. Over the past 15 years of its existence hundreds of peace officers and county jailers of all races, sexes, and ages have been graduated there, some of them going on to make a place and a name for themselves in branches of federal law enforcement. The instructors at the Academy are highly qualified, vastly experienced peace officers and re-tired peace officers, some are retired F.B.I. agents. For Judge Seargeant, Commissioners Garza and Fuentes, and Constable Juarez to indicate that discrimination of any sort would be attempted or permitted at the Academy is an insult to the intelligence of the people of Kinney County. This trend of thought and action smells highly of racism, and the ugly head of racism has NO place in our county government or anywhere else in Kinney County.

County government is supposed to be by the people for the people, NOT the private dynasty of self-serving officials at taxpayers expense. 1990 is an election year and the PEOPLE of Kinney County will have an opportunity to voice their opinion of how our county government is being operated under the administration of County Judge Tommy Seargeant and others. It is high time that selfish, self-serving officials who have no respect for the people they are supposed to be serving are told by our votes that enough is enough and we ain't taking it no more!

That's All!



Sometimes religion becomes a base for an aristocratic position that undercuts the religion itself. It was true in China. Many religious workers undermined the Chinese Nationalists because of real and fancied faults. Undermining the Nationalists helped the Communists to take over and religion was squeezed out. We are seeing the same song and dance in Central America. In the name of religion, opposition is openly promoted in San Salvador, Guatemala, and Nicaragua. Tenacles of the octopus seem to be centered in South Texas, and San Antonio. When these religious workers face prosecution their cries become almost pandemonium.

A blind man can see with his walking cane the communistic and oppressive regime of the Sandanistas but still a segment of religious workers support their dictatorship of

oppression. There are undoubtedly flaws in the government of San Salvador. I know a few in the U.S.A. When religious workers basically foreigners who are guests of the nation, presume to support revolutionaries they go beyond religious activists and become political activists. When this happens they can expect to be treated as enemies. Religious connections or peeps pleadings do not allow exemption from consequence of actions.

Whether they be priests or lay workers sympathizing and abetting revolutionaries carries with it the risk of severe reaction. A young lady now held and charged with channeling arms to the revolutionaries is not the saint some of her coworkers would have us believe. Before going to San Salvadore she was a part of the "sanctuary" movement. This is a

group that thumbs their corporate noses at U.S. immigration laws. Under the guise of religion they feel they do not have to obey the law of the land. They can get by with this only in the United States. Other nations will not bow to such actions. Having this attitude of religious aristocracy it is small wonder she has run into trouble in San Salvador.

After all the calling of the Christian workers is the spread of the word that Jesus Christ died for the sin of man. Jesus lived and taught that the way of peace and certainly not the way of political involvement is the way to change the world.

A Christian cannot expect to polish his self imposed halo of piety and walk with impunity through the quagmire of political warfare. Anyone who dances must pay the fiddler.

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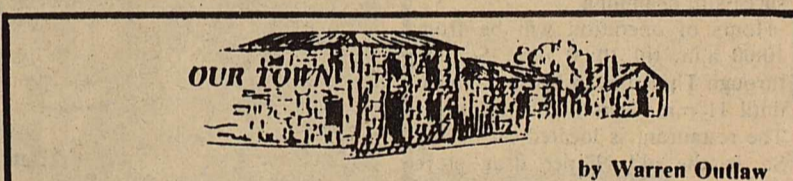
by Molly Ardrey

Comes a time in the lives of many families where they want more house and they have the money to make changes. Does it make sense to stay where you are and add the improvements? Or should you move to a new home in a new neighborhood?

If you really like your current location and your neighbors, that may influence you to stay. If there are bigger and more expensive homes in the area, perhaps you can improve

your property. But if you're already in the most expensive house on the block, renovations may price you out of the market.

Some fixups really pay off. A well-designed kitchen or bath, an enclosed garage and storage area, a skylight to lighten the room or additional closet space, usually brings back its cost when it's time to sell, but less-popular luxuries appeal to only a few buyers. Some may even find them a drawback to purchase.



On Nov. 29, 1939 Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Sciba were married in El Campo Texas and Nov. 29 this year they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Their three sons Bruce, Arthur and James and daughter Linda Serrill helped them celebrate the occasion.

Ed Riddle from Crowley Texas was in over the weekend hunting on the Lackey Ranch. Ed was born on the Lackey Ranch and returns each year to hunt and visit with his cousin Gorden Lackey.

Mitch Wilson, wife Diane, daughter Brandi and dad Travis Wilson traveled to Dumas, Texas to spend Thanksgiving with his grandmother Cassie Wilson.

Marge "Lucky" Batchelor held the winning ticket for the Lucille Perryman painting at the drawing last Sun. at the Fort Calrk Art Center.

Bob and Melba York from Las Cruces, New Mexico were in for a few days visit with their daughter Sharon White son-in-law Russ and grandchildren Wesley and Sheri.

On a hunting trip with brothers Lesly and Lynn and friends Will and Tully Shahan, Lee Floyd from Kingsville Texas bagged his first deer, a six point buck. Lee was in over the holidays visiting with his mom and dad Janis and Harrell Floyd.

Don and Robin Custard and their two sons visited with the Richard Shafers this week. The Custards are from Norcross, Georgia.

Billy and Brenda Robinson and their three children spent Thanksgiving with Jewel Robinson.

Eddie, Tonya and Taylor Pinnell of Odessa spent Thanksgiving with Dixie and Clinton Brown.

**Video Views**

Love, laughter and comedy

by Robyn Henderson  
"Chances Are" is a fantasy, romantic comedy that chances are you'll really enjoy.

Corinne and Louie Jeffries are terribly in love. They are just married and just expecting. Tragedy strikes and Louie dies unexpectedly.

Louie, now waiting to get into heaven, won't give up and is granted early recycling back to earth. Louie is now born to a new family as Alex Finch. Twenty two years go by and fate has it that Alex meets Corinne's daughter Miranda. They both have

strangely strong feeling for each other, and why not, Alex use to be Miranda's father.

Alex is invited to Corinne's home by best friend, Tom. The surroundings and people bring back Louie's memory in twenty two year old Alex. The past in the movie as Alex is remembering Louie is exciting and funny. We've all seen this plot in several different movies, each time it's heart warming.

Cybill Shephard plays Corinne, Robert Downey, Jr. plays Alex, Ryan O'Neal plays the lucky best friend and Mary Stuart Matherson plays Miranda.

## Letter to the Editor

A recent editorial in *The Brackett News* gave a break down on the numbers of meetings missed by the Commissioners and County Judge.

Several thoughts came to mind and one was, have I missed the number of meetings that were stated in the paper. Somewhere in my counting and Jennifer's one of us is not counting correctly. She has shown that I missed a regular meeting and the minutes in the courthouse shows that I have attended them all. Jennifer and I have visited the Courthouse and she did see where I was there for that meeting but was marked absent on the front by error. This letter really isn't about the number of meetings that I have missed and I am not writing to apologise for the special meeting or reconvened meetings that I could not attend.

Granted, I feel that the regular meetings are very important I do feel that all commissioners and other elected officials should attend every meeting. If for health reasons or other extenuating circumstances, then a person should be excused for not attending. The one reason that I do not buy is "I did not attend because of my job." Hey, we all get paid to be a commissioner, this is our "job", we knew when we ran that it was this way, so to say, now that we are elected, I can not attend because of my job - well the voters should remember this when election time rolls around again.

We are all elected to represent the voters and if we aren't there, how can we? Another thing is, if one commissioner doesn't show up, the others have to do their work for them. This isn't fair - for we all get paid the same.

If the other Commissioner will agree to do so; If I miss a regular meeting for a non excused type of reason, I will donate my Commissioner's check for the month to the church or charity. Being a Commissioner is not a one day a month job. It requires a lot of time that has to be devoted to carrying out what the court has agreed to do. I have spent in excess of 80 hours this month on County business. I volunteered to do this for I felt that it needed to be done and I knew if I started it, it would be done. I do think that if all elected officials took the interest that some do, I know our county would be much better off.

Thanks  
Bill Bizzell  
Comm. Pct. 4



# Update on Golf by Les Roper



This past week the little village of Brackettville took on the appearance of a "mini metropolis" with the arrival of hunters and holiday guest. The downtown area of our little retirement paradise was buzzing with activity and local merchants have no complaints with this kind of excitement.

Many of Fort Clark's permanent residents were honored with friends and loved ones as their guests for the Thanksgiving holidays. This guest list was good for the golf course as well since many of these visitors spent a great amount of their time playing golf. When the good folks from out of town visit the Fort the majority of them always seem to spend a lot of time on the golf course. It goes without saying that the golf course is the number one recreational spot on the entire Fort.

About three weeks ago Larry Montgomery, the course superintendent, closed the course for two weeks while he and his crew overseeded the greens. He was very apologetic over the inconvenience he created on the golfers but he promised them he would do his best to provide some of the best greens in the area if they would just bear with him.

Today, it is beginning to look like

the patience and cooperation of the golfers combined with the hard work of Montgomery has made this prediction come true. The greens are responding well to the good weather and the regular watering and in time the golfers should be laying on class one putting surfaces.

About fifty golfers showed up this past Wednesday at the club house to witness the drawing of the teams that will be participating in the first segment of the men's winter league. The league play is being sponsored by the Pot Belly Golf Association and is a follow up of the similar play that took place this past summer. Hoagy Nelson presented a format and a set of guidelines to the players and they were accepted by all of the participants. Having served as marshal on a big golf course in the mountains of Colorado for the past few years Hoagy brings a wealth of knowledge to our membership in regards to the rules and regulations of the Professional Golf Association.

Eight teams of four men each were drawn with an A, B, C, and D player on each team. A team captain will be elected by the other players and it will be his responsibility to round up a player to fill any vacancy. A player's pool is available and the absent player will be replaced for the day by

a player with an equal handicap. The play will conclude in twelve weeks with a big banquet and a presentation of trophies to the winning teams. Should be real exciting.

Friday afternoon at one o'clock a rather large group of golfers made a last minute rush to enter the weekly Couple's Tournament which was being hosted by Robbie and Ruth Robinson. No one was turned away and once again this very popular tournament was a smashing success. The smooth stroking team of Clem McKelvy, Carol Benefield, Mike Bagley, and Avis Anderson turned in a net score of 41.25 to claim the first place check. Making a first time appearance and winning second place was Herb McCrary, Peggy McCrary, Mike McCrary, and Ward Pomeroy who turned in a score of 43.25. Finishing in a dead heat for third place was Hoagy Nelson, Barbara Miller, Gordon Petaja, and Jean Petaja and also, Ken Curry, Dee Curry, E.W. Williamson, and Louise Williamson. Once again the excitement of the day finished with a lot of fellowship and a good meal.

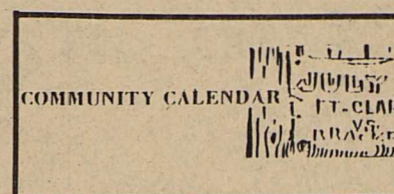
Clem McKelvy exhibited real leadership qualities this past Saturday morning when he took over the drawing for the monthly scramble and finally got it back on track.

Forty golfers paid their entry fees to play and there was no shortage of enthusiasm as they "hunkered" down in the starting blocks awaiting the starter's gun to set them off. Once the shot was heard the hackers were off and running.

The day was high lighted by some of the best scores ever recorded in this series of golf. Finishing first with twelve birdies for a net score of 58 was the team of Keith McKelvy, (long hitting son of Clem and Pat), Jim Bussey, Louise Williamson, and Ron Mills. Registering eleven birdies on their score card and finishing in the place position was Walter Dyer, Les Roper (yours truly), Odette Mills, and the ever cuddly Andy Anderson. Robbie Robinson led his team of Bill Mills, Don Herron, and Mike Bagley in for third place with a nine under net 61.

The only player available for comment after the tournament concluded was Andy Anderson. He was asked to comment on his team's good play. He replied, "It was Odette who got us close and I made the putts. Everytime Odette made a good shot I gave her a dip of snuff. She made so many good shots today that I had to open my second can of snuff to keep up with her".

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## Sports...

### Tigers Rough-up Mavericks

by J.J. Guidry  
PEARSALL-The Fightin' Tigers rallied to score 27 points in the third period to take yet another victory, this time over the Pearsall Mavericks. The Mavs lead 35-25 at the end of two periods, but coach Jesse Rodriguez must have given some halftime speech because the Tigers came back hot. Brackett outscored their oppon-

ents 27-8 in the third quarter. Armondo Talamantez scored a career high 23 points. This was his first time to score in double-figures. Mitch Frerich also had a good game with 22 points, while Steve Rodriguez had 4, Eddie Garza and Tevin Senne both added 2.

### Panthers Sneak By Tigers

by J.J. Guidry  
BARKSDALE-The Tigers faced Nueces Canyon Tuesday night in a non-district area basketball game. The Panthers edged Brackett by a single basket. The final was 38-36. The Tigers are now 4-1 for the season.

Talamantez sank a free-throw. Seven seconds later Clay Hunt drove the lane and scored to bring the Tigers within 2. Brackett got the ball back with 9 seconds left, but Joe Shipman stole the ball giving Nueces Canyon final possession and the victory 38-36.

Mitch Frerich sank a three-pointer right off the bat in the first quarter for a 3-0 lead. Frerich scored a free-throw for the Tigers only other points as the Panthers lead 13-4 at the end of one quarter. The Tigers outscored Canyon 7-6 in the second quarter, but were still behind 19-11 at halftime. Eddie Garza brought the Tigers within 4 as he scored 2 three pointers and twice on fast breaks, but Campwood broke it open for an 8 point lead going into the final period. The Tigers regained their composure when they were down by 5 with less than a minute left in the game. With 27 seconds left, Armondo

Eddie Garza lead the Tigers in scoring with 10 points, while Mitch Frerich scored 9, Clay Hunt scored 7, Armondo Talamantez and Lesly Floyd had 3, while David Flores and Tevin Senne added 2. Frerich lead in rebounding with 13, while Hunt grabbed 10 boards. Matt Massey of Nueces Canyon also had 13 boards, while Jerry Shipman had 8. Roland Hernandez had 13 points to lead the Panthers. Joe Shipman had 10, Massey had 8, Jerry Shipman had 5, and Bobby Sloan added 2. The two teams will meet Friday at noon during the first round of the Nueces Canyon Tournament.

### Trio Pulls Win Out of A Hat

by J.J. Guidry  
DEL RIO-The Junior Varsity Tigerettes competed in the Del Rio Freshman tournament last weekend.

They lost the game 48-18. Frerich had 6 points, Nina Gonzalez and Franklin had 4, Myrna Gonzalez had 3, and Jennifer Shahan added 1.

Coach Nowlin took 5 freshman and 1 sophomore to participate in the two day event. The J.V. faced the Del Rio white team in the first round. Though the Tigerettes were victorious, they were in serious foul trouble. At the end of the game, they had only three girls on the court. Tanya Frerich lead the girls as they won 42-26. Frerich had 12 points, while Myrna Gonzales, Nina Gonzalez, and Lisa Wardlaw had 8 points, Raquel Franklin added 6. The Tigerettes then faced the Eagle Pass freshman in the semi-finals. The girls were out-numbered and

The girls final game was against Eagle Pass Memorial. The girls were edged out 26-24. Tanya Frerich put up a desperation shot at the final buzzer from way beyond the 3-point line. The shot hit the back of the rim and bounced up. Myrna Gonzalez had 8 points, Tanya Frerich had 5 points, Franklin had 4, Shahan had 3, while Nina Gonzalez and Wardlaw added 2. This was the J.V.'s first time on the court for the year, with the exception of scrimmages. The girls did real well and learned many valuable lessons which will help them in the years to come.

### Tigerettes down Rival Team

by J.J. Guidry  
BARKSDALE-The Brackett Tigerettes faced Nueces Canyon four times last year. It became a true rivalry as both teams won two games each. The teams faced each other last Tuesday night for the first time of the year in Barksdale. The Tigerettes came up on top with a 55-41 victory. Nueces Canyon's biggest threat is Senior Michelle Flach. She has already scored 40 points in a single game this year. The Tigerettes shut Flach down and allowed her only 7 points. Dorothy Ward had her best game of

the year with 20 points to lead Brackett. Stephanie Ahrens and Yvonne Luna also scored in double figures with 14 and 13 points. Vivian Luna scored 4, Theresa Terrasaz added 3, and Tanya Frerich scored 1. Mary Dalton lead N.C. with 12, while Sonia Hidalgo had 10, Flach had 7, Kristi Collins had 4, Courtney Eveing had 2, J.J. Pope had 2, Chanda Walzel had 2, and Samantha Shipman had 2. The Tigerettes are now 4-4 for the year. They will take this weekend off, but will begin action again next Tuesday in Carrizo Springs.

### Win for J.V. Tigers is Sweet

by J.J. Guidry  
BARKSDALE-The Junior Varsity Tigers picked up their first basketball win of the year as they defeated the Nueces Canyon J.V. 45-38. The Tigers lead 12-1 after the first quarter and held throughout the second. They lead 24-6 at the halfway mark.

John Hernandez powered the Tigers to victory with a career-high 24 points. Scott Sims added 12, while W.T. Hunt, Peter Perez, and Lynn Floyd all scored 4. The J.V. Tigers next game is December 12. They will play Carrizo Springs at the jungle. Action will start at 5 p.m.

### Tigerettes Tie-up Angoras

by J.J. Guidry  
BRACKETT-The Tigerettes hosted the first varsity home game in the jungle last Tuesday and came out victorious 53-50 over Rocksprings. The game began as a defensive battle and was low scoring. The Angoras lead 8-7 at the end of the first quarter. The Tigerettes fought back to take a 22-20 lead at halftime. Brackett continued to hold their lead and eventually came up with the victory. Yvonne Luna lead everyone in scoring with 26 points. Other players contribution to the Tigerettes scoring included Dorothy Ward, who had 14

points, Stephanie Ahrens had 12 points, and Theresa Terrasaz added 1. Vivian Luna, Dee Ann Frerich, Myrna Gonzalez, and Wendy McDaniel also saw action for the Tigerettes. Julie Anderson lead Rocksprings with 14 points. Brandi Sweeten and Lisa Arisppe both added 9 points. Lydia Castillo scored 8, Fanya Todd had 6, while Sherri Epperson and Rene Gallegos added 2. Tyann Dunbar, Tanya Dunbar, and Paige Grooms also contributed for the Angoras.

### Tigerettes Prepare for District Action

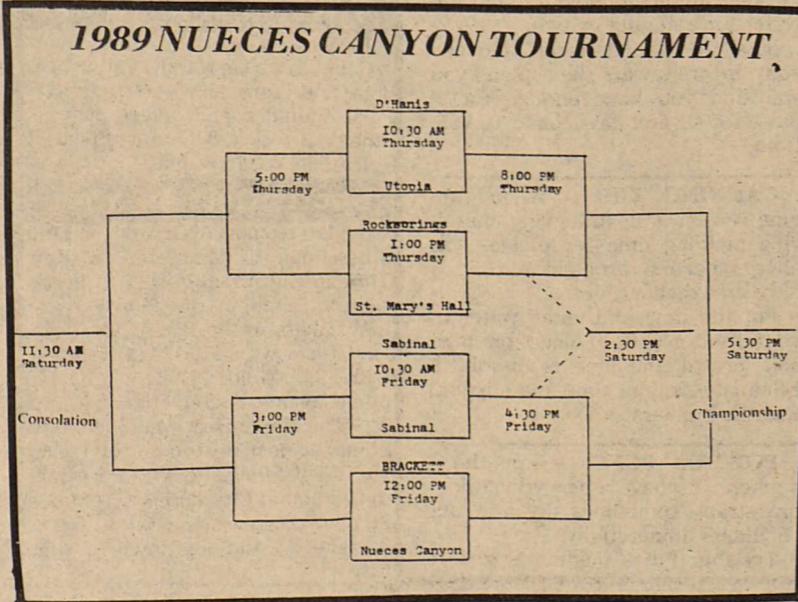
DEL RIO - The varsity Tigerettes enjoyed two days off for Thanksgiving, but got right back into the thick of things as they faced Del Rio Saturday night. Brackett had their hands full with varsity Queens. The game provided valuable experience for the Tigerettes

before they begin their district schedule. The Queens won 77-32. Stephanie Ahrens had 12 points, while Yvonne Luna had 7, Vivian Luna and Wendy McDaniel had 4, Dee Ann Frerich and Theresa Terrasaz had 2, while Regina Pena added 1.

### Jr. High Gets Stung

SABINAL-The Jr. High basketball teams traveled to Sabinal Monday. Both the boys and girls put up a good fight, but were defeated by the Stingers. Tiffany Bryan got the Cubettes on the scoreboard first for a 2-0 lead. Sabinal came back with a basket, but Jessica Taylor made the score 3-2 as she sank a free throw. The Cubettes were unable to score for the rest of the first period as Sabinal lead 10-3. Kim Ahrens showed her defensive skills as she put Brackett ahead by contributing 6 steals. The Cubettes rallied to lead 12-10. Sabinal came back with two shots to make the score 14-12 at halftime. In the third period, Sabinal outscored Brackett 6-4 in the third quarter. The score was tied 22 with four and a half minutes left in the game. Ahrens scored on a fast break and sank a free throw to put Brackett up 25-22 with less than two minutes remaining. With 27 seconds left

Sabinal tied up the game. They put in the winning shot with 2 minutes left for a 27-25 lead. Ahrens lead the Cubettes with 9 points. Jessica Taylor and Glenda Castillo both added 4 points, while Tiffany Bryan, Ida Aguilar, Yvette Rocha, and Patricia Barragon added 2. The boys opened up their game with the Stingers in a defensive fashion. They scored 2 points in the first quarter, compared to 8 by Sabinal. Sabinal kept on going and had a 20-9 lead at halftime. The Stingers were eventually victorious 33-19. Frank Guajardo had 6 Cub points, while Jesse Terrasaz had 5, Doug Spring had 4, and Runaldo Senano had 2. Owen Brandt and Marty Schermerhorn both added a free throw. The Cubs are now 1-2, while the girls are 0-3. Both teams will host Nueces Canyon at the jungle on Monday. The girls will open the action beginning at 5:30.





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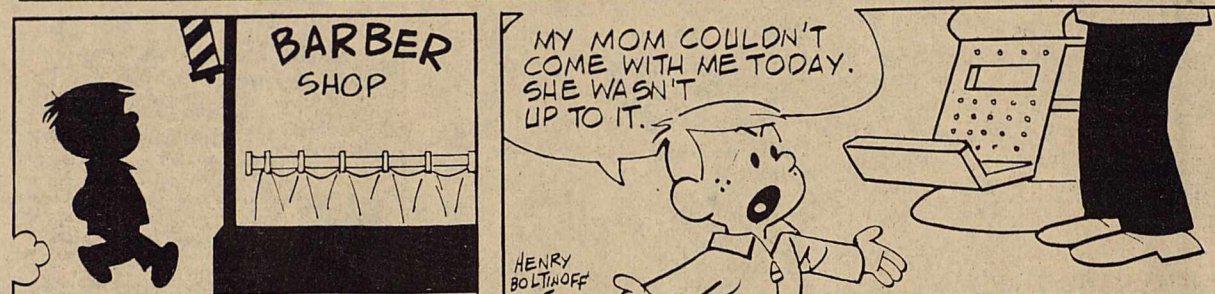
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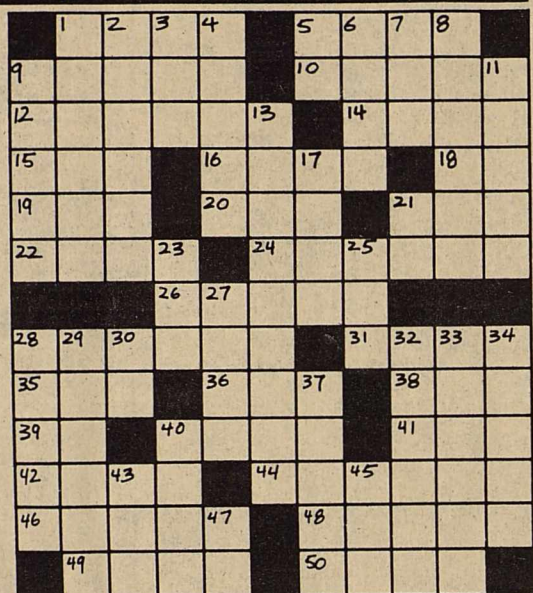
## Tiny



## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- Cicatrix
- Exclamation of sorrow
- Extra
- Of the navy
- Separated
- City (Nev.)
- Metallic rock
- Not living
- Note of the scale
- Employ
- Pig pen
- Forbid
- Canvas shelter
- Artists' stands
- An edging for collars
- A race at full speed
- The wool
- Larva of eyethread-worm
- Slope
- Negative vote
- Roman pound
- Glacial snow
- Sesame
- Portico
- Whole
- Kind of monument (Gr. Antiq.)
- More pleasing
- Stagger



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|--------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 50. River (Fr.)          | open shoe                          | 30. Sun god          |
| <b>DOWN</b>              | 9. Discharge with force, as liquid | 32. Lure             |
| 1. Meager                | 11. Aquatic birds                  | 33. More attractive  |
| 2. To heel over (naut.)  | 13. Member of police force         | 34. A U.S. president |
| 3. Skill                 | 17. Oriental grasses               | 37. A cent nurse     |
| 4. Bamboo-like           | 21. Exist                          | 40. Entitle          |
| 5. Indefinite article    | 23. Three (prefix)                 | 43. Coin (Swed.)     |
| 6. Rendered fat of swine | 25. Stitch                         | 45. It is (contr.)   |
| 7. Hail!                 | 27. Wavy (Her.)                    | 47. Mulberry         |
| 8. A kind of             | 29. Placard                        |                      |

## Top 10 Singles

- Milli Vanilli "Blame It On The Rain," (Arista) Last Week: No. 3
- Paula Abdul "It's Just The Way You Love Me," (Virgin) No. 6
- The B-52's "Love Shack," (Reprise) No. 7
- Richard Marx "Angelia," (EMI) No. 8
- Alice Cooper "Poison," (Epic) No. 10
- Billy Joel "We Didn't Start The Fire," (Columbia) No. 11
- Gloria Estefan "Get On Your Feet," (Epic) No. 12
- Linda Ronstadt featuring Aaron Neville "Don't Know Much," (Elektra) No. 13
- Taylor Dayne "With Every Beat Of My Heart," (Arista) No. 15
- Phil Collins "Another Day In Paradise," (Atlantic) No. 18



## This Week In History

This week in 1859, abolitionist John Brown was hung for treason on 12/2. On Nov. 29, 1916, the United States established a military government in the Dominican Republic. On Dec. 2, 1942, physicists Arthur Compton and Enrico Fermi produced the first nuclear chain reaction. On Dec. 3, 1963, a Trans-Canada Airlines DC-8F crashed after takeoff from Montreal, killing 118 people. On Dec. 1, 1974, a TWA 707 jetliner crashed in Upperville, Virginia, killing 92 people. On Dec. 2, 1982, Dr. Barney Clark, a dentist, became the first recipient of a permanent artificial heart. On Dec. 2, 1985, General Dynamics Corp. and four of its current or former executives were indicted for allegedly conspiring to defraud the U.S. Army on a weapons contract.

## Trivia Test

by Linda Luckhurst

- Travel: What U.S. state is number one in the total coverage of highway mileage at 35,000 miles?
- Capitals: What is the state capital of Texas?
- Nations: What is the capital of the Netherlands?
- South Africa: Name the four provinces in South Africa.
- Weather: Where are temperatures colder — the North or South Pole?
- Food: Name the two main ingredients which make up SPAM.
- Hollywood: Name the director of the 1960 flick "Spartacus" that starred Kirk Douglas.
- Television: Who was the orchestra leader on "The Jackie Gleason Show"?
- Names: What was the former name of the East Indies?
- Animals: How many legs does a spider have?

## Sports Quiz

by Allan Ornstein

- Name the two new head coaches of N.B.A. expansion teams Orlando and Minnesota.
- Name the four divisional winners from last year's N.B.A. season.
- What N.B.A. team had the longest winning streak last year?
- What N.B.A. team had the longest losing streak last year?
- What N.B.A. team scored the most points during a game last year?
- What N.B.A. team scored the fewest points during a game last year?
- Name the two teams that played in the C.B.A.'s championship series last year.
- What team had the best regular season record last year in the C.B.A.?
- Who was the C.B.A.'s top scorer (average per game) last year?
- Who was MVP in the C.B.A. last year?

## Top 10 Movies

- Dad starring Ted Danson
- Shocker
- Second Sight Bronson Pinchot
- The Bear
- Look Who's Talking John Travolta
- Crimes & Misdemeanors Woody Allen
- Steel Magnolias Dolly Parton
- Phantom Of The Opera Robert Englund
- Immediate Family Glenn Close
- The Fabulous Baker Boys Michele Pfeiffer

## Top Video Rentals

- "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" Bob Hoskins (Touchstone) Last Week: No. 10
- "Rain Man" Dustin Hoffman (MGM/UA) No. 2
- "Working Girl" Melanie Griffith (CBS-Fox) No. 1
- "Pet Sematary" Fred Gwynne (Paramount) No. 9
- "Major League" Tom Berenger (Paramount) No. 4
- "Beaches" Bette Midler (Touchstone) No. 3
- "The Dream Team" Michael Keaton (MCA) No. 5
- "The Naked Gun" Leslie Nielsen (Paramount) No. 6
- "Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure" Alex Winter (Nelson Home Entertainment) No. 8
- "Tequila Sunrise" Mel Gibson (Warner) No. 7
- "Cousins" Ted Danson (Paramount) No. 12
- "Her Alibi" Tom Selleck (Warner) No. 11

## YOUR HOROSCOPE

by Charles King Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Advice received this week concerning a business situation is right on the mark. You would be wise to heed this. You face a decision this week concerning travel or an educational matter. Family relationships blossom.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) This is a good week to consider revising long-term financial plans about retirement. Be sure to study whatever options are available to you in this area. Perhaps you should set up meetings with experts in the field.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Any contractual commitments or agreements you make this week will be quite profitable for you in the future. It is a week for partnerships and cooperation. As a result, productivity is heightened. Take some time this weekend to celebrate.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 21 to July 22) With the dawn of the new week, it's a good time to get involved in new projects and tasks which formerly may have frightened you off. You have the necessary energy and creativity to tackle these things now. Be sure to avoid self-indulgence.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Recreational pursuits are favored by the stars now, so enjoy this. It's a good time for families to spend together, as well as a wonderful time for couples to renew romance. Anything of a creative nature is also accented.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) This is a week for the wonderful world of reading to beckon to you. Go through your home library to weed out those books which are not actual assets to your collection. Consider purchasing some which would add on value. Perhaps you're lacking some classics.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Your sharp mind is ever on the alert for new challenges. Thus, this

week will really satisfy this cerebral bent. An exciting challenge will capture your interest and attention, giving you renewed enthusiasm at work. Do be sure to return important phone calls you may receive.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) If you have ever pictured yourself wheeling and dealing, this is the week for you. Buying and selling seem to be in the stars right now, so go ahead and haggle! Not only will you find some really good bargains, but new opportunities await.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your self-confidence is at an all-time high this week, leaving you in a wonderfully buoyant, productive mood. It seems nothing you say or do is wrong, so take advantage of this. It may be a good time to consult with bigwigs on some innovative changes.

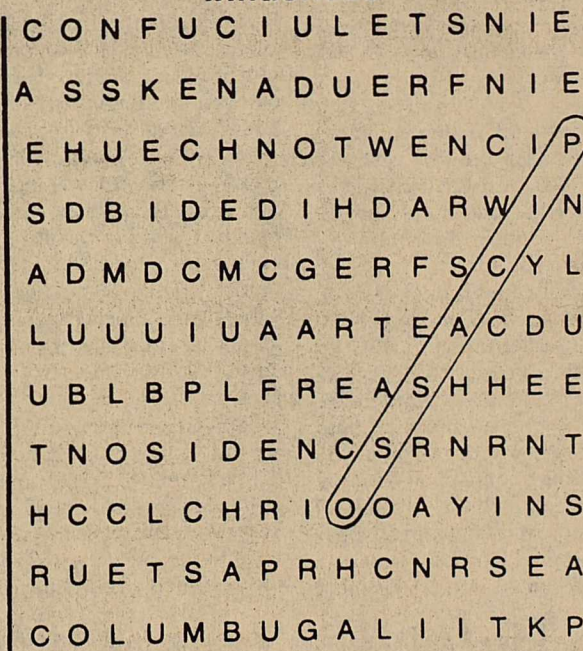
**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You may find yourself this week getting involved with a project in which the ultimate goal is to the benefit of humanity. This magnanimous, unselfish spirit will inspire others around you, making this a real family effort just in time for the upcoming holidays.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) While you usually shy away from making extensive commitments to "club" activities, you will find yourself a more active participant this week than you'd originally planned. People are looking to you for much-needed leadership. Follow through.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) This is a week of new beginnings for you at work. Thus, you may want to set up some relevant meetings in order to start implementing this. Take time to focus on what your major priority is and then make it your business to accomplish this.

## MagicMaze

### Great Influences



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

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| Buddha    | Columbus | Edison  | Luther  |
| Newton    | Kennedy  | Caesar  | Freud   |
| Einstein  | Christ   | Marconi | Pasteur |
| Confucius | Picasso  | Galileo |         |

## Home hints

**FROZEN WAFFLES** — My family loves frozen waffles. However, it seems that when I would get them to the table, they would be cold. To alleviate this problem, I now heat the syrup. I place the syrup in a pan of hot water for about 10 minutes. Now when the waffles are on the table, we pour the hot syrup over them. It's so delicious! Anna H., Tempe, Ariz.

**TOOTH PASTE** — Don't throw away your empty toothpaste tube. Put the cap on and hold it under hot water for a minute or two. Mash the tube (flattened) between your fingers toward the cap and you will find you have enough toothpaste for several days. Janie T., Vail, Colo.

**CANNING TIP** — When canning season is in full swing, dissolving pickling lime for pickles has always been a problem for me. I have an excellent hint. Put the lime and some water in your food blender. Blend on high and, presto, the lime is dissolved. Eliminates lots of time and stirring! Kate L., Yonkers, N.Y.

**POWDER PUFF** — For those women who have a heavy bust line, bra straps sometimes dig into the shoulders unmercifully. Try this: Put a medium size and

thickness powder puff under the strap and pin it on with a safety pin. Unless you are wearing a very sheer blouse, it cannot be seen and works wonderfully. Chris C., Ketchikan, Alaska

**PAPER TRAINED** — This hint is for everyone who has "paper trained" the family dog. Instead of placing the newspaper directly onto the floor, lay it on top of a plastic sheet. The plastic covering will protect the floor from any wetness and ink transfer. Lorraine D., Fairfax, Va.

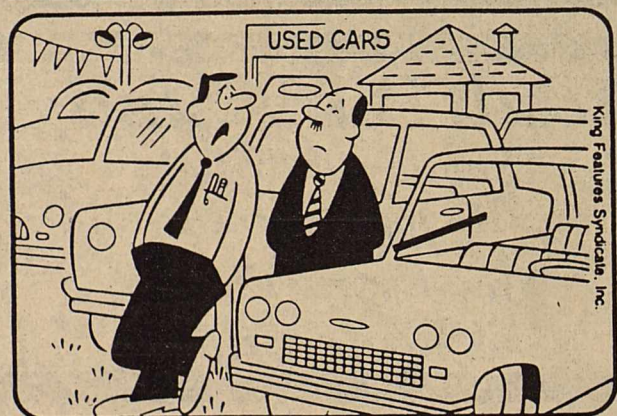
## Trivia Test Answers

- Texas; 2. Austin; 3. Amsterdam; 4. Cape Province, Natal, Orange Free State and Transvaal; 5. North Pole; 6. Pork shoulder and spiced ham; 7. Stanley Kubrick; 8. Sammy Spear; 9. Spice Islands; 10. Eight

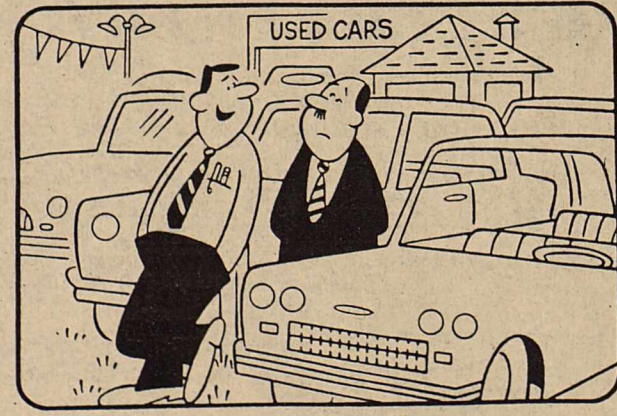
## Sports Quiz Answers

- Matt Goukas of Orlando and Bill Musselman of Minnesota; 2. New York in the Atlantic, Detroit in the Central, Utah in the Midwest and L.A. Lakers in the Pacific; 3. Cleveland Cavs with 11; 4. L.A. Clippers with 19; 5. Golden State scored 155 points against Sacramento on March 4; 6. The Miami Heat were held to 65 points against Boston on November 15; 7. Tulsa beat Rockford 4 games to 0; 8. Rapid City Thrillers; 9. Brook Stepe of Pensacola with a 25.7 average; 10. Anthony Bowie of Quad City

## Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



### Answers for Vision Teaser

Differences: 1. Car is missing. 2. Outdoor light is different. 3. Tie is different. 4. Man's expression is changed. 5. Grille is different. 6. Wheel opening is different.

## LAFF-A-DAY



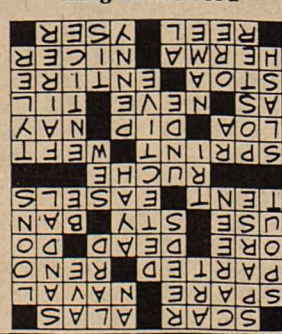
"For the past hour you've been losing that argument with your wife, Simpson! Need some help?"

## LAFF-A-DAY

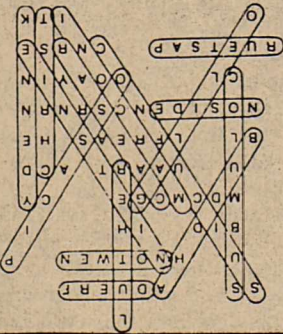


"I have a surprise. I invited your mother for the weekend."

## Answers To King Crossword

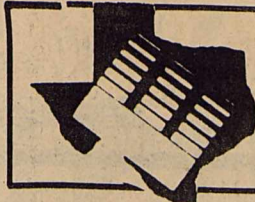
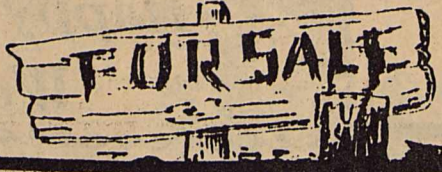


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by Alan McWilliams

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JOB OPENING

November 28, 1989

Salary: Commensurate with Experience.

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting applications for the following:

Position: Planner II(s)  
Requirements: Advance degree in Urban Planning, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Environmental Management or related field. Extensive experience in several phases of urban and regional planning. Applicant should have experience in working with local governments, regional governments, or private land use planning firms on a variety of issues such as solid waste, land use, wastewater, transportation, etc. Familiar with state and federal agencies and funding.

Preferred: Drafting, graphics, and design abilities.

Location: Middle Rio Grande Development Council Planning Department, Uvalde, Texas.

How To Apply: Mail resume or application to: Middle Rio Grande Development Council, c/o Personnel Department, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 P.M., December 18, 1989.

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Notice is hereby given that the following vehicles will be sold at Public Auction on Friday, December 8, 1989, at 10:00 A.M. The sale will be held in the County parking lot across the street from the County Jail, corner of North St. and Fritter St., Brackettville, Texas.

TERMS: Cash, cashiers check or money order payable to the Sheriff.

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FFA News

The Brackettville FFA Chapter will go on its annual Christmas tree chop on December 4. Christmas trees will be available for sale beginning Tuesday morning, December 5. Price ranges will be between \$5 and \$20. Come support your local FFA Chapter and buy a Christmas tree.

The trees will be at the Ag. shop behind the high school. If the chop is cancelled due to rain, trees will begin sell on Dec. 12.

**Predator Control Workshop**-Area ranchers will have an opportunity to attend a predator control workshop on December 7, 1989 beginning at 1:30 p.m. The workshop will demonstrate techniques on use of steel leg traps, snares, and M-44's. There will also be a calling demonstration by Dr. Dale Rollins, extension wildlife specialist, from San Angelo. This program will be timed with the approaching fur season and will be held in the shearing barn at the Hadley Wardlaw Ranch. If you need more information, please contact my office.

**Pruning During Winter**-We are probably very close to a freeze. Remember to set your house plants and succulents inside. I have had several calls with questions about pruning. I think the thing to keep in mind is do not wack away at your

woody ornamentals in the yard unless they really need pruning.

Some of the right reasons for pruning include removing dead or winter-killed growth or balancing the top with the root system when setting out new plants. (Now, I said balancing the top on newly transplanted plants—not topping the entire tree itself.)

Exposing the structural form of plants such as crape myrtles, can be done by removing overly dense growth or small, twiggy limbs that cross one another. Also remove diseased or insect-injured wood as well as storm or accident-damaged limbs.

Shrubs can be rejuvenated by removing older branches at the base. Pruning also can help develop a desired shape or size as well as aid in producing better flowers and fruit.

If possible, avoid severe pruning. It is always better to prune lightly and more often to prevent unscaled to sensitive inner branches. Never leave stubs that invite insects and diseases

to enter. Plants which bloom early in the spring with the appearance of new leaves, should be pruned after they flower. Those that bloom later in the spring or summer, should be pruned during the dormant season. Always use sharp pruning tools for an easier pruning operation.

Be sure and watch for a county pruning clinic to be held in February.

The clinic will cover aspects of ornamental and fruit tree pruning. If you have any questions, or would like more information, we also have bulletins on landscape and fruit tree pruning in our office.

Southwest Texas Christmas Extravaganza

South Texas sparkled and shined at the Southwest Christmas Extravaganza Tuesday, November 28, at Fort Clark Springs sponsored by FCS Recreation.

Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Uvalde, and Brackettville stores showed three of their most spectacular Southwest outfits and other stores provided decorations.

With twenty stores participating in the surrounding area, spectators enjoyed leathers, suedes, rhinestone, and glitter with a southwest flair!

Sondra Meil (Fort Clark Recreation Director) and Lashawn Wardlaw (Fort Clark Public Relation Director) were the hostesses for the evening.

Sculptor and now part-time actor Robert Hooker of San Antonio displayed his bronze work and gave away an Indian terra cotta figurine as one of the four door prizes. Hooker is now working as the stand-in for James Arness in the movie Gunsmoke II which is being filmed at the Moody Ranch outside of Brackettville. "I started my art work in 1983, but have really enjoyed the acting part of it all too," said Hooker.

Brackettville stores; Jeans, Tulshaps, Alamo Village, and Devorra were sensational. "The clothes were great, but besides that, it was fun," said Virginia Shahan owner of Alamo Village.

Premier designer, Deanne Anderson of Longview who has had shows at Neiman Marcus and is now in the

process of creating a denim jacket for the woman of the White House brought to the show a unique style.

Denim jackets made of an old wedding dress and Indian artifacts were among the styles shown. "This really was a nice show," said Anderson.

Brackettville models, Lisa Conoly Joy Ralston, Darlene Shahan, Jamie Ballew, Beth Ann Smith, Kathy Johnson, Mary Lee Trollinger, Fern Dyer, Genell Hobbs, and Sharon White were wonderful. Vicki Nichols did an excellent job coordinating 54 outfits among the ten models.

The elegance of the food prepared by the Las Moras Inn Restaurant added a perfect touch to the evening.

The class of people and the class of clothing modeled made this Fort Clark event one hard to forget!



Fern Dyer model for the crowd wearing a fashionable cowgirl outfit during the Southwest Christmas Extravaganza.



Winners Announced

We had such a tough decision trying to decide which Tom Turkey was the best, they were all so good. We did decide however to have two winners for two different age categories.

Valerie Jimenez won \$5 in the 3rd to 6th grade category, she is 11 years old.

Savannah Massingill won \$5 in the Pre-Kindler to second grade division, she is 6 years old.

Thank you to all the children that participated.

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# Grandma's Kitchen



Now that Thanksgiving is over, it's time to splurge and start making your plans for all that Christmas baking, especially those yummy fruit cakes. Lets start out with where the fruitcake came from. This rich jewel of a cake originated in Italy during the 12th or 13th century as part of festivities in observance of the Feast of Saint Lucia. Variations on the basic theme of the more fruit-than-cake recipe are found in many European cultures and, understandably enough, have become ingrained in American holiday tradition.

For those unskilled in the art of intense holiday baking or lacking the time and energy to do justice to those beautiful illustrated recipes in their "Holiday Gift-Giving Made Simple" cookbook, fruitcakes can be purchased from a number of mail-order houses. They come in a variety of shapes, sizes and alcohol contents.

One thing is for certain, no matter where you buy them they're bound by an accordion of colored waxed paper that's impossible to remove without taking half the cake with it. Some recipes are more fruit than cake-as much as 80 percent fruit and nut mixture.

This seems to be the most the bakers can squeeze in and still have enough cake to hold everything together. Extra dark and sweet cakes are made with molasses.

Frequent coverings with rum or brandy-soaked cloths spike up a fruitcake enough that a slice or two might put you over the blood alcohol

limit for being intoxicated. "But officer, I didn't have any drinks, all I had was a few pieces of fruitcake-all right, a whole fruitcake-a whole spiked fruitcake."

Many people don't actually eat fruitcake but merely give them as gifts. Often the same cake is passed on season after season, from family to family. The idea is not incomprehensible. Fruitcake kept in an airtight container might possibly keep for years. Those doused with alcohol could last indefinitely.

Here's a true story of one secret recipe: At a party last year a young friend told the story of her parents moving into an older home where they found a safe in the dusty cellar. Inside the safe was a decorative tin dating back to the late 1920's. Inside the tin lay a medium-size piece of fruitcake that looked to be the same era as its resting place. When the new homeowners brought the tin up to their kitchen and opened it, the fruitcake appeared to take on new life. It was as if the fresh air and light of day rejuvenated the cake back to its just-baked freshness. Perhaps it had been saved in the family year after year as a tester for a secret recipe which tradition would not permit to be written down. Instead of using the conventional recipe card or cookbook, the baker probably took a taste of the cake just before starting to cook.

This left the right combination of ingredients fresh in the baker's mind as well as on his tongue. Although

the 60-year old bit of cake seemed edible, no-one cared to give it a try, so that family's secret recipe is still a secret as far as we know. Here's a

### Light-on-the-Fruit-Cake

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 lb. butter
- 1 cup milk
- 5 eggs beaten separately
- 5 cups flour
- 1 Tbs. baking soda
- 1/2 pound mixed nuts
- 1/4 cup red candied cherries
- 1/4 cup green candied cherries
- 1/4 cup candied pineapple
- 1/4 cup pitted dates
- 1/4 cup raisins

Preheat the oven to 300 degrees. Cream butter, add all ingredients and mix thoroughly. Fill pans with batter (one 5-lb. ring or 2 loaf pans). Bake 1 and a half hours. Let cool, Douse with rum or brandy if desired. May be served with English hard sauce or vanilla ice cream. Fruitcake is truly a taste from the past that has a place in the present.

Thought for the week: It is possible to have such an open mind that others mistake it for a hole in the head.

Don't forget to hug somebody. Special Love.

Grandma

## Library News

New Juvenile Books Received: Crocodiles and Alligators, Balancing, BMX, Beetles, Lake, Jellyfish, Cave, Hamsters, The Beagle, Whales, Trucks, Space Shuttles, Mexico, Teeth and Tusks, Airliners, Racing Cars, Princesses, Zero, Mountain Gorilla, The Dinosaur Age, The Body, Fur and Feathers, Cycle of a Duck, Good Grooming for Girls, I Like Music, Good Grooming for Boys, South Pole, Lands of Legend, Animals of the Night, Dolphins, As Old as the Hills, Gymnastics, Soviet Union, Sharks, Paws and Claws, Island, The French Revolution, Caterpillars, Near Water, Spiders, Lost Treasures, Tornadoes, Motorcycles, Desert, Apaches and Navajos, Skateboarding, Iriquois, Why Do People

Smoke?, Shoshoni, Seminoles, Totem Pole Indians of the North-west, Sioux.

New paperback books donated to your library: Day of the Bomb, The Complete Consumer Car Guide, Tell Them It Was Wonderful, The World According to Breslin, Misadventures of a Fly, Fisherman, Jennie, The World of Jennie G., The Ling Tatoo, Pioneering Space, What Every Man Should Know about the New Woman, Mum and Mr. Armitage, The New Improved! Bob and Ray Book, Lama, Tania, Three Farmers on Their Way to a Dance.

Notice!!! Videos must not be dropped in the bookdrop. Videos must be brought into the library. They are damaged in the bookdrop when others drop heavy books on them.

## Happy Birthday Wes!!!

### Just For The Fun Of It!

Place born - Moody Ranch, Texas

Favorite food - Turkey and Giblets

What's the best movie you've ever seen? - "Puss-n-Boots"

Best book you've read lately - "The Incredible Journey"

Hobbies you enjoy - Needlepoint, catching birds and mice.

Your friends say you're - One crazy cat.

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? The Canary Islands.

Secretly you've always wanted to be? A dog.

If you could change anything about Bracketville, what would it be? Better roads and street signs.

In one word describe yourself - Feisty!



Spooky the Cat

Last week spooky the cat took a five day walk from 208 4th street to her old home at #8 Barracks Row on Fort Clark Springs.

## BEYOND THE HORIZON



by Dorthy Payne

The Indian trouble of 1874 caused Fort Reno to be built, and by the time the Fort was finished, the Indian problems were almost gone.

The first regular commandant, Major John K. Mizner of the fourth Cavalry took charge in 1876. The frontier (regardless of the battle of Little Big Horn.) was already changing.

That fall troops went with the Indians on their annual buffalo hunt. Seven thousand robes were taken in that hunt of 1876. The next year it had dropped to two hundred and nineteen robes, and by 1879 the buffalo were gone entirely. Fort Reno became reduced to a beef-issure station.

Ten years later Old Oklahoma was thrown open for settlement. Fort Reno soldiers served on the starting line to keep the Sooners out until the starting line was declared open.

Then in 1908 the Fort made another change. It was abandoned as a

regular Army Post and became Fort Reno Remount Station. Its thousands of rolling grassland acres were covered with mules and horses. Sometimes as many as sixteen thousand at one time.

Polo became popular and drew crowds for miles around the state. The Cavalry began to slow down and Uncle Sam began to mechanize. When world War II came along Fort Renos last horses were trained for the rough mountains of our ally, Greece.

Then temporary barracks were thrown up on a corner of the reservation for the Germans and Italian prisoners of War. Some prisoners were buried there in the old Military Cemetery. After Peace came old Fort Reno was abandoned in 1948.

Finally in 1950 the old military facility became the Livestock Research Station under the supervision of Oklahoma State University and the United States Department of Agriculture.

## Unsung Hero

There is a business woman here who grew up here. She has had her own business for many years. When I first knew her she was working at what is now the Longhorn. I was living in Del Rio and spending a great deal of time on the road. It was always an enjoyable break to stop there late at night and eat a hamburger and drink coffee. She has

been an active supporter and participant in many community activities.

She spends much of her time helping those who need it. She drives many miles chauffeuring those who have no car. She is a very likeable person with a large bevy of friends. Surely Ora Rodriguez is an "Unsung Hero."

## Standards set (continued from page 1)

Students Registered-2,540  
Total Clock Hours-1,830  
Total Student Contact Hours-4,648,200

Law Enforcement Academy Activities from January to November 1989.

Basic Peace Officer Certification Courses - 2

Students Registered: - 66  
Clock Hours: - 880

Student Contact Hours: - 29,040  
County Corrections Officer Courses: - 5

Students Registered: - 74  
Clock Hours: - 200

Student Contact Hours: - 2,960  
Firearm Instructor Course: - 1

Students Registered: - 10  
Clock Hours: - 40

Student Contact Hours: - 400  
In-Service Advanced Courses: - 4

Students Registered: - 61  
Clock Hours: - 80

Student Contact Hours: - 1,480  
Total of All Courses Conducted: - 12

Total Students Registered: - 211  
Total Clock Hours: - 1,200

Total Student Contact Hours: - 33,620

As demonstrated by Mr. Madison's report, the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy is one of the more active academies in the state and the high percentage of students who successfully complete the courses of training and education at the Academy and the State Licensing Tests at the conclusion of the courses speaks

highly of the quality of education and training received by those peace officers and other law enforcement personnel attending.

The last order of business acted upon by the Advisory Board was a recommendation made by Director Madison that a Requirement of firearms proficiency for qualification with police firearms be set at 80 percent for those officers attending the Basic Peace Officer Certification Courses. The minimum requirements for weapons qualification accepted by T.C.L.O.S.E. is 70 percent but most law enforcement agency administrators feel that figure is far too low and that peace officers should demonstrate a much higher proficiency with their firearms. Another recommendation related to physical training requirements at the Academy was tabled until Director Madison could present a formal written outline form of the issue. With that the Board agreed to meet again in early 1990 and adjourned.

Basic Peace Officer Certification Courses held at the Academy are offered at no cost to the participation agencies as those courses are funded by grants from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office through the Middle Rio Grande Development Council. Other education and training courses are provided by the Academy at a low cost to participation agencies. These courses are Basic Jail Guard Courses and other In-Service and Advanced courses.

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