

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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February 22, 1990

City Hall

Election Dates

February 19, 1990

Application can be filed for a place on the ballot.

March 6, 1990

Recommended date to post notice of election.

March 12-23, 1990

Select Election officials.

March 21, 1990

Last day for Candidates to file for inclusion on ballot.

March 21, 1990

Last day to order election.

March 22, 1990

Post Notice of drawing for order of names on the ballot.

March 26, 1990

Drawing of order of names on the ballot.

April 6, 1990

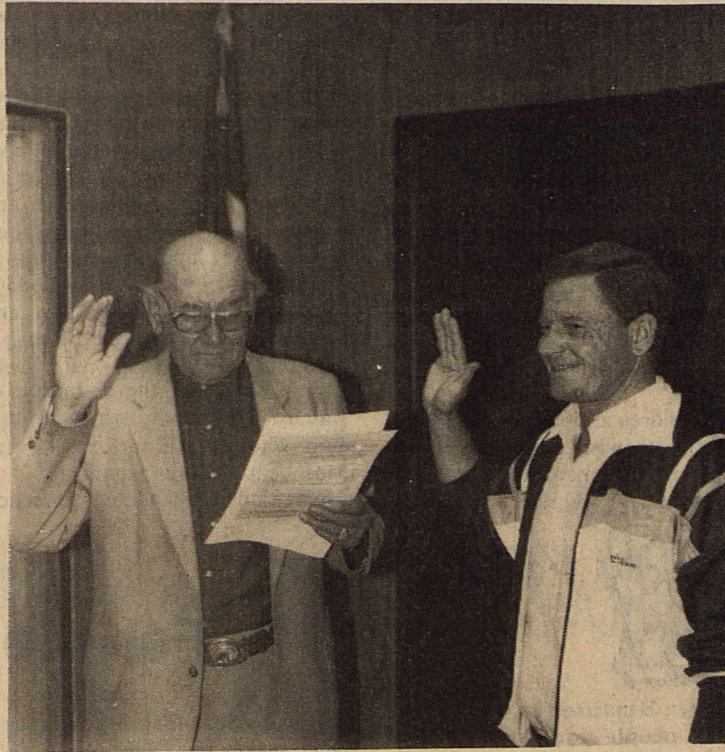
Absentee voting commences.

April 27, 1990

Last day for applications by mail to be received by city secretary.

May 1, 1990

Last day to vote absentee in person.



City Election Kick-off - Larry Moore takes oath of candidacy after filing for the position of City Mayor. The first date to submit applications

was Tuesday Feb. 20.

Other persons that filed for City Councilmen were Ralph Gonzales and Bobby Guidry.

Drug Associate Members Sought

Sheriff Norman H. Hooten today announced that Kinney County citizens who would like to join in the fight against crime are invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas.

The Sheriff's Association of Texas is 113 years old and a professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas, according to the Sheriff.

The associate Membership program was begun to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local Sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"We are inviting the public to help us better serve them by joining the fight for effective law enforcement," Sheriff Hooten said. Kinney County residents should soon receive membership applications in the mail. "It is difficult to get an application to everyone who might want to join the Sheriffs' Association of Texas as an Associate Member," the Sheriff said. "If you don't receive an application by mail, you can come by the Sheriff's Department, or you can send your name, address, and check-\$20 for individual membership to the Sheriffs' Association of Texas,

Post Office Box 4488, Austin, Texas 78765-4488

Membership dues are used to upgrade, professionalize, and train Sheriffs and other law enforcement officers to protect the men, women and children of Texas. All Associate Members will receive a wallet membership card, two window decals, a subscription to our quarterly publi-

cation, The Texas Lawman, and \$1,000 Accidental Death and Dis-

membership Insurance. "I hope that all law-abiding citizens of this county will join me in the fight for good law enforcement by joining the Sheriffs' Association of Texas when your membership letter is received," the Sheriff concluded.

4-H Attends Stockshow

On Saturday, February 10, 1990, two 4-H members of the Foods and Nutrition Project represented Kinney County at the San Antonio Livestock and Rodeo Show. Foods and Nutrition Senior, Michelle Brandt, and Food and Nutrition Pre-junior, Brandy Meeks, traveled to San Antonio to participate in the Baked Goods Contest.

There were over 500 entries with participants in elementary, junior high, and senior high. Brandy entered a Carrot Cake in the Elementary Uniced Cake Division. Michelle entered a Sour Cream Coconut Pound in the Senior Uniced Cake Division, and a Whole Wheat Bread in the Senior Yeast Division. Michelle received third place in the Senior Yeast Bread Division. She

wish to extend a hearty congratulations to all participants at the San Antonio Livestock and Rodeo Show!

Ash Wednesday Services

Ash Wednesday services at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church this year will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, and will be a Rite I Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes, according to the Rev. Bill Koons.

The first day of the Church's 40-day penitential Lenten Season, Ash Wednesday traditionally has been a time when Christians are reminded as ashes are placed on the foreheads by the priest of their mortality as he repeats, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

BISD may suffer Loss of Funds

Brackett Trustees heard from Superintendent Bob McCall that the District may lose as much as \$104,000 in state aid if attendance fails to improve with the Spring Attendance Period. Mr. McCall told the Board that the District was beset by a flu-like illness during the four weeks of October when the District takes attendance to determine funding formulas. "It was just a bad time for us. We don't want sick kids at school, and we can't afford to have them absent either," McCall said.

The District can count attendance again in the Spring from February 26, 1990 through March 23, 1990. Attendance should come up significantly, McCall also told the Board that Brackett could lose another \$7,000 in state aid due to the short fall of 45 million dollars in appropriations from the 71st Legislature.

Rainfall Report

Rain Fall Report

2 5/8 inches at Fort Clark, 3 inches on Pinto Road, 2 1/2 inches reported at Kinney Co. Estates, 2 1/2 inches at the Davis Ranch, and 2.15 and 2.40 on the Shahan Ranch.

B.I.S.D. Election Dates

The Brackett Independent School district Board of Trustees set the 1990 Trustee Election for Saturday, May 5, 1990. Interested individuals may apply for a place on the ballot at the school district Central Office as of Monday, February 19, 1990. Deadline for applications for a place on the ballot is 5:00 p.m. on March 21, 1990.

There are two places open on the Board of Trustees. The two incumbents, Lingo Sandoval and Jimmy Bader, have not announced their intentions to seek another term at

this time. The Board also voted to change the polling place from the Home Economics Cottage to the school district Central Office. The change was initiated to increase voter access to the polling place.

Important deadlines for the election are listed below:

•February 19, 1990 - First day to apply for a place on the ballot.
•March 21, 1990 - 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for application for a place on the ballot.

•March 22, 1990 - 8:00 a.m. Drawing for position on ballot - School District Central Office.
•April 5, 1990 - Last day to register to vote in the May 5th election.
•April 16, 1990 - Absentee voting by personal appearance begins. Absentee voting will be in the high school office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

•May 1, 1990 - Last day to vote absentee by personal appearance.
•May 8, 1990 - Board meets to canvass election and swear in new members.

"Harvey" A Smashing Success

by Jennifer Pasanski

The smashing Broadway play "Harvey" performed by the Old Quarry Society was a hit with over 300 persons in attendance Thursday and Saturday evenings.

Actor-Director Harrell Floyd, did a remarkable job in portraying the zannie and loveable Elwood P. Dowd, Elwood proved to be quite an embarrassment to his family members as he proceeded, much to their dismay, to stroll around introducing his dear friend, and invisible, 6 ft. rabbit named Harvey to all he met.

Finally, Vita Louis Simmons, (portrayed by Cindy Polley), decides that her brother has gone to far and fearing for the reputation of her daughter decides to have Elwood committed.

An array of delightful events surrounded this decision and the audience could be found laughing throughout the performance.

One of the highlights during the play was when Elwood uncovered a portrait of himself and Harvey, the likeness was incredible. The portraits likeness can be attributed to local artist Patti Barnett.

After the performance a special tribute was paid to Rozetta Pingnot



The cast of the hilarious comedy "Harvey" are from Left to Right, Front Row; Cindy Polley, Harrell Floyd, Betty Inman, Back Row; Don

Parks, Cecilia Foster, Molly Schroeder, Bob Barnett, Carol Benfield, Warren Outlaw, Scott Simms, Lynn Floyd, and Sandy Green.

for all that she contributed to the play. The next production by the Old

Quarry Society will be "The Glory Road", dates to look for on this production are June 23, 29 and 30.

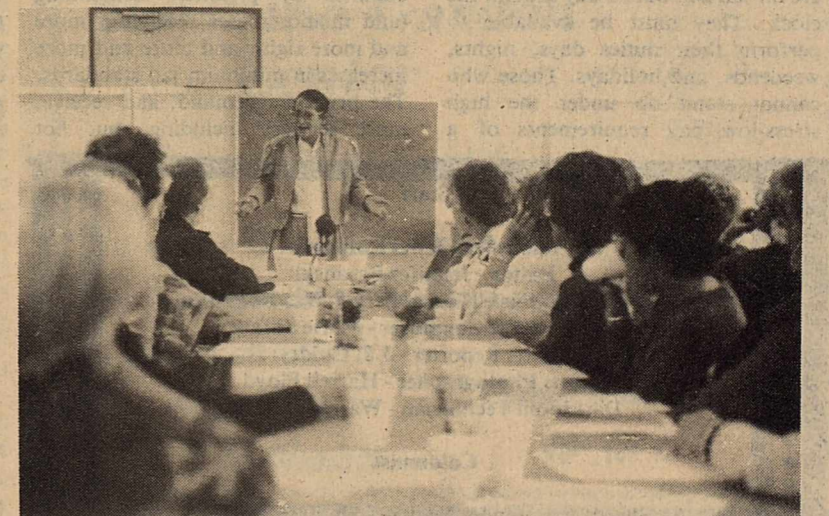
Nakai Guest Speaker at Luncheon

by Jennifer Pasanski

A crowd of over 40 ladies were entertained by Nakai Breen at the Methodist Ladies Luncheon held Wed. at 11:30 at the Methodist Parish Hall.

Nakai spoke on Indian Spirituality, she began by explaining, "Our religion is the same as yours. I am a christian the same as you are. I believe in Jesus and in God. The big difference in Indian religion is that we are more in tune with mother earth." Nakai then added a variety of things that pertained to Nakai personally, she stated, "It is so hard to be of a different race. I am displaced, sometimes I feel like the hippies did. Yet I am the same as everyone. I have been in senators homes and the homes of the so called scums, they are the same they both have hearts. In my heart there is no such things as rich or poor we are all the same."

Nakai went on to share more on Indian Spirituality and stated, "We could never say tomorrow, it's like a baby it's not even born yet, instead we say forgive us of our wrong



"We are all the same" was one of the messages related by guest

speaker Nakai Breen at the Ladies Luncheon.

doings of yesterday. Bless my hands that they may do good things today."

Before Nakai's speech, a beautiful meal was served. It consisted of; boneless fried chicken, butter rice,

green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad and strawberry cake topped with strawberries and whipped cream. The meal was prepared by Hazel Earwood. Hostesses for the luncheon were Mildred Borden and Cindy Braesiche.

Little League Registration

Many new and returning players for the 1990 Season registered Saturday, February 17. This year the Kinney County Little League Board of Directors has decided to have four different areas for children to participate. These are: T-Ball, girls age 9-12; Girl's Softball, girls age 9-12; and Boy's Senior League Baseball, boys age 13-15. Anyone interested in participating in this year's Season needs to register.

The deadline for registration of players will be Monday, February 26.

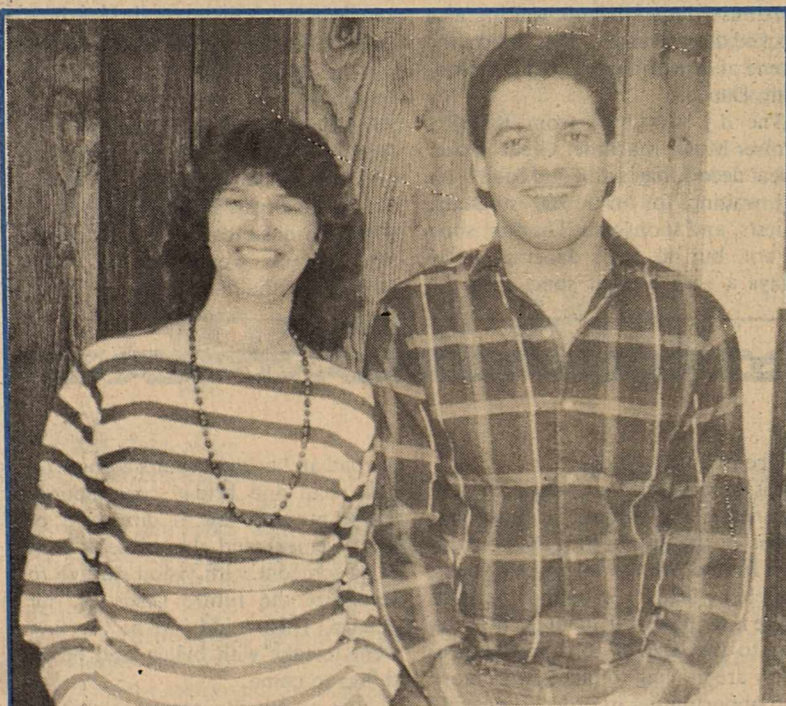
The deadline for registration of coaches is also Monday, February 26. There will be another registration set up at the First Baptist Church this Saturday, February 24 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Anyone not able to register by this time can still register but they will be put in the player pool and will fill open positions on teams when they occur.

Registration forms for coaches are available at Rob's and Super S. Registration forms may be filled out at Tully Shahan's office. Remember to bring a birth certificate, \$5.00 registration fee and a parent or legal

guardian when signing up for Little League.

Questions may be answered by calling: Sonny Harrison 3-2136, Darlene Shahan 3-2152, or Julia Terrazas 3-2964.

The Board would like to remind the Community that Little League is supported solely by the contributions of local residents and businesses. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Community for its help in the past and encourage them to participate in this year's program with their time and contributions.



Susie Montgomery and Wes Robinson.

Employees Welcomed

by Jennifer Pasanski

The Brackett News welcomes Susie Montgomery and Wes Robinson to its staff. Both Susie and Wes will be working in the advertising department.

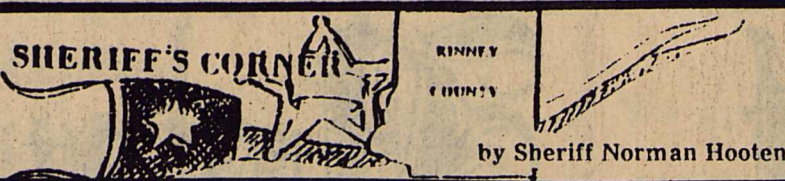
Susie is a resident on Fort Clark Springs, she is married to Larry Montgomery, they have two children Tyler and Kelli. Susie adds a flare to the department with her enthusiastic spirit and creative ideas.

Wes Robinson is the son of Publisher Jewel Robinson. Wes

graduated from the B.I.S.D. in 1985. He moved away for a few years to the big city of Dallas and decided that the country life was more suited to his taste, "I love it here in Brackettville," stated Wes.

Wes has the natural talent to organize and see what needs to be done, which is an asset to any business making him a perfect candidate for business advertising.

For all of your advertising needs call on Susie or Wes, they will be pleased to assist you.



This week's column will be devoted primarily to providing updated information on the county jail operation. I provide this information every so often so as to keep the citizens and taxpayers of Kinney County abreast of one of the important functions of the Sheriff's Department.

Subchapter C, Sec. 351.041 of the Local Government Code states that: (a) "The sheriff of each county is the keeper of the county jail. The sheriff shall safely keep all prisoners committed to the jail by a lawful authority, subject to the proper court."

(b) The sheriff may appoint a jailer to operate the jail and meet the needs of the prisoners, but the sheriff shall continue to exercise supervision and control over the jail.

Subchapter C, Sec. 351.043 of the Local Government Code states:

(a) The sheriff or jailer may receive into the county jail a federal prisoner delivered by a federal law enforcement officer unless the sheriff or jailer determines that receipt of the prisoner may violate a state or federal court order, a statute, or a rule of the Commission on Jail Standards.

(b) The sheriff or jailer shall safely keep the prisoner until the prisoner is transferred or discharged by due course of law.

(c) The federal law enforcement officer on whose authority the prisoner is received and kept is directly and personally liable to the sheriff or jailer for the jail fees and other costs incurred in keeping the prisoner. The fees and costs shall be estimated according to laws regulating similar fees and costs in other cases.

The county jail of any county is the nerve center of county law enforcement and as the sheriff is the primary law enforcement officer of his county the sheriff's office and county jail is the permanent command post during normal law enforcement activities and during any crisis or emergency situation that occurs within the county. The operation of a county jail is mandated by state law under the regulations administered by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards (TJC) in cooperation with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (T.C.L.O.S.E.).

All County Jail Guards and Dispatchers must meet strictly enforced minimum standards for employment including education, criminal history background checks, psychological testing, drug dependency testing, and medical examination. Prior convictions for criminal offenses may prevent employment, employment is prohibited in all cases of a prior felony conviction.

The administration and operation of a county jail requires a total commitment by the sheriff of a county and requires competent, dedicated staff members to maintain the high standards of 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year operations. The sheriff and his staff are on call 24 hours a day around the clock. They must be available to perform their duties days, nights, weekends, and holidays. Those who cannot stand up under the high stress-low pay requirements of a

sheriff's department and county jail operation do not last long.

In addition to meeting the strict employment requirements, all county jail guards and dispatchers must successfully complete a minimum 40 hour Basic County Corrections Officer Course and pass a state licensing test before receiving their permanent County Corrections Officer License issued by T.C.L.O.S.E. My policy to the Kinney County Sheriff's Department is for all peace officers and county jail guards to receive continuing law enforcement education training as the courses become available and circumstances permit. In this way we can keep up with the ever changing policies and procedures mandated under state law and recent court decisions affecting our operations.

As an example; Records Officer Matt Sandoval and Jailer/Dispatcher Sargent Elida Estrada completed a 40 hour Law Enforcement Communications Course on Friday, February 16th. The 40 hour course of instruction, education, and training was held at the Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy in Uvalde, Texas and the primary instructor was Joe Hardy, Communications Supervisor of the Texas Department of Public Safety in Del Rio. Jailer/Dispatcher J.R. Smith, Tom Justice, and Manuel Pena, Jr. are scheduled to attend a Basic County Corrections Officer Course at the academy in March.

For your information I have provided a list of current Sheriff's Department personnel as shown below:

- Sheriff - Norman H. Hooten
- Chief Deputy - David G. Luna
- Deputy - Johnny Sheedy
- Reserve Deputy - Warren Outlaw
- Records Officer - Matt Sandoval
- Jailer/Dispatcher SGT. - Elida Estrada
- Jailer/Dispatcher Corporal - Valerie Finch
- Jailer/Dispatcher 3rd Class - J.R. Smith
- Jailer/Dispatcher 3rd Class - Kim Stein
- Jailer/Dispatcher 3rd Class - Tom Justice
- Jailer/Dispatcher 3rd Class - Manuel Pena, Jr.
- Dietician - Martha McDonald
- Jail Nurse (contract labor) - Rosa Baker

*Denotes non-salaried personnel

We are preparing for an inspection of the county jail by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards scheduled for February 27th. This will be our second annual inspection by TJC since we were re-certified in April 1989 after completion of a costly replacement of our cell door lock system and other modifications and repairs required by TJC.

The minimum standards for jail operations of a county jail become more complex and demanding on an almost daily basis, primarily because of the increase in recent years of state and federal court decisions favoring lawsuits brought against sheriffs and counties by prisoners demanding (and in most cases receiving) more and more rights and more and more increases in minimum jail standards. The prisoners demand, and receive, more services including, but not

limited to, medical, dental, and education. All this at taxpayers expense. This seems to be just a wee bit off the course of justice to me.

At any rate these court decisions cause increased legislation and laws regarding county jail operations and the sheriff must stay abreast of these changes and keep his operation within the current guidelines or risk costly lawsuits brought against him and the county he represents.

In order to maintain the required standards of operation of a county jail huge amounts of money must be expended. Where does this money come from? The taxpayers, unless alternative, legal, ways can be found. Thus enter the federal prisoner program. Many county sheriffs do not want the increased workload and stress that comes with such a program, but many, including yours truly, are willing to take on the increased responsibility, workload, and stress in order to provide a cash flow for the county which assists in offsetting the operational costs of the Sheriff's Department and County Jail and save the taxpayers dollars to be spent on other important county government functions. The members and grumblers and detractors of the federal prisoner program should first fully examine the costs to the county taxpayers in tax dollars for Legal, up to date, sheriff's department and county jail operations without the federal prisoner program to off-set those costs. The implementation of the federal prisoner program has brought no monetary value to me personally, I would be making the same salary without it. It has, however, brought in hundreds of thousands of dollars that were, and are, needed by Kinney County.

Since becoming Sheriff in 1982 I have refined and improved the federal prisoner program at the county jail. We now have existing contracts with several federal law enforcement agencies including the U.S. Border Patrol, Immigration and Naturalization Service, the U.S. Marshal's Service, and the U.S. Bureau of Prisons. We maintain an average daily federal prisoner population of 23 at a rate of \$30.00 each per day. The majority of the federal prisoners held at the county jail are those that have been convicted for illegal entry into the U.S. or the smuggling or illegal aliens into the U.S. Most are misdemeanor convictions and all are those sentenced to 180 days or less. They are classified as minimum security prisoners and are not considered dangerous. The federal prisoner program has been a tremendous asset to Kinney County and Kinney County taxpayers. The income derived from the program has enabled the County to get out of debt and has, in many fiscal years, paid all of the operational expenses of the Sheriff's Department and County Jail. Some years we have even had a surplus left over. This program has assisted in allowing the county to have the highly touted "Ending Cash Balance" of the County budget. For your information I have listed below, by fiscal year, the total cash income to the county generated by the federal prisoner program at the county jail since FY 1982-83.

FY '82-83:	\$123,348.00
FY '83-84:	\$187,862.00
FY '84-85:	\$174,801.00
FY '85-86:	\$197,708.00
FY '86-87:	\$86,828.00
FY '87-88:	\$152,096.00
FY '88-89:	\$223,496.00
FY '89-90:	\$83,450.00
(1st quarter)	
Total to date	\$1,229,589.00
(Estimated Total at end of FY '89-90:	\$1,396,489.00)

Has the federal prisoner program at the county jail worked? Has it been of great benefit to Kinney County and the taxpayers of Kinney County? Is it worth the extra effort of yours truly and Sheriff's Department personnel? The proof is in the pudding as the old saying goes!

That's All!



Harold and Joyce Williams from Okmulgee, Oklahoma are visiting with Lynn and Dolores Ebenbrough. Lynn and Dolores are spending the winter at Fort Clark and will return to Okmulgee in the spring.

Gwen and Don Young from La Luz, New Mexico stopped off for a few days visit with Dick and Molly Schroeder. Don and Gwen are on their way to the Rio Grande Valley for a winter vacation and they plan to visit the Big Bend National Park on their return to New Mexico.

Announcement

Janifer Shahan's Grand Champion Lamb sold for \$9,000 at the stock show last Friday, Congratulations Janifer.

Babies for Bucks

by Penny Nixon

I've reached that point in my life where I'm 29.9, 6-foot, and single. Never been married. Don't get me wrong, I've had several chances.

There was the fat-rumped, lounge lizard Republican prosecutor, the tall strong, older divorcee, the bearded social worker psychiatrist, the rugged, quiet cowboy who wouldn't read, the...the list goes on. I love men. I can't help it.

Anyway, I chose not to get married each time because I really hold marriage as revered state of being. I have a healthy respect for marriage. I believe a marriage should be forever. Call me a foolish old romantic, but I believe it's better to be alone than to be stuck with someone who is "almost" right.

You get married for two reasons: for love and companionship, and to have a family. That's what it's all about. Desmond Morris in The Naked Ape taught us to exult in our evolutionary progress as animals. Homo Sapiens are parenting, child-protective, vigorous beasts. One has to be vigorous when dealing with children.

The children are our future. Blood, love and knowledge for forever. For a man and a woman to be married in the eyes of society, God and

themselves is the way it's meant to be.

But our United States Government doesn't think so. Our government pays women to have illegitimate children. Every baby on the ground is worth money to the mother.

"Redeem those birth certificates for cash and commodities!" Uncle Sam calls to our young women. "Get free housing if you can't pay, have another kid and move away from home! You don't have to listen to Mom and Dad harp about morals, values or livelihood anymore!"

Uncle Sam's harem, Babies for Bucks. Another number in the big book in Washington, and more money in the mail.

The big uncle must really like his harem of high school dropouts, emotional burnouts, parental cop-outs, physical blowouts. He's paying them not to get husbands, and keeping them from getting food stamps if they land a decent job.

What's wrong with America today? Too many Daddyless children and too many fathers without a family.

I think we need to put "with father" back into the definition of "family". Especially when we talk about who gets Aid to Families with Dependent Children payments. Uncle Sam has mandated protection

for every endangered species, freedom of expression, and right to proceed except the one most hallowed and necessary to our future as civilized people: marriage.

I say let's make a rule with Uncle Sam. No one gets AFDC payments unless they are or were married. "Families" should include two parents. Our government should reward two-parent families instead of pushing men out the door. We require our young men to register for selective service before allowing them to get federal college aid. Why not ask our young women to at least try marriage before we pay for their babies?

If we take away the financial rewards of having several children, I think we'll start to hear knees slapping shut. We'll start to see a more active interest in birth control or waiting a while to "mess around," which we desperately need.

Teen-agers do not need to be having babies while they're attending school. We don't need a generation of children born, not out of love, but out of money. We need children who mature and grow to become active, intelligent participants in the perils, tribulations and changes facing America in the next 50 years.

Video Views

by Robyn Henderson

Most people look for videos whether they remember them from the box office or recognize the stars in them. This would be fine except for the fact that there are shelves full of wonderful movies that are ignored. New acting talent, that someday will be appreciated, is often featured in these videos called "Sleepers."

Four high school girlfriends have one last weekend together before they separate and go their different ways. They go to Myrtle Beach for fun, parties, boys and dancing. This is one weekend they won't forget.

There's the "proper" Southern Senator's daughter, Luanne Clatterback (Paye Hannah); the ever naive "Pudge" Carmichael (Annabeth Gish); the loose and lovely minister's daughter Melaina Buller (Bridget Fonda); and the soon-to-be-married (but not if her friends can help it) Carson McBride (Phoebe Cates).

Robert Rusler (Buss) the all American beach boy in love with Carson; Scott Coffey (watch this young actor. I predict he'll be an upcomer in the near future) who is going to the naval academy and Tyrone Power, Jr., soon-to-marry Carson but not if Luanne has anything to do with it. Notice three younger generation stars: Fonda, Power, Gish.

This is a great movie for teens but for anyone 30 or over it's a wonderful trip down memory lane. It's an absolutely enchanting story about falling in love and experiencing life for the first time. In one scene the

girls go to a Shag (dance) contest and Pudge makes the comment "I sure hope someone asks me to dance." I can identify with that statement. Pudge gets to dance, believe me she gets to dance. The music featured is

from the top hits of the 60's and the video is worth renting just to enjoy the music.

This movie will leave you with a good clean feeling. I urge everyone to rent this delightful video.



Congratulations Tigerettes on a job well done! The Tigerettes are the 1989-90 Bi-District Basketball Champs for the second year in a row!!!

Congratulations to Yvonne Luna and Stephenie Ahrens for making first team All-District team and Dorothy Ward and Wendy McDaniel for honorable Mention.

Here's a question for you to ponder:

- Should there be a prom this year, or should there only be a banquet?
- Tell me your response, and we'll check and see what the popular vote is.
- Senior class is still collecting cans, so it you got 'em, we need 'em!
- Welcome Susie Montgomery and Wes Robinson to the Brackett News Staff.
- Over 200 kids had an excellent time at the C.C.D. Friendship dance. A great big THANK YOU for all those who made the dance a success!! You know who you are!!!
- Happy Birthday and/or Anniversary to me! I've worked here at the Brackett News for One Full Year! Great-huh?
- Happy seven years Lingo!!!
- The raffle for the 4-wheeler ATV is postponed until Easter Sunday, So you still have time to buy your tickets!!
- Rosa Isela Pena is the proud new mommy of Eduardo Jaime Pena, born February 21, 1990. Congrats!!

Unsung Hero

There is a woman who moved to Brackettville a good many years ago. She has been a good wife and has mothered a nice family of boys who are now gone from home. She has worked for the Brackett School system for many years. She has proved herself efficient and capable. She has served under several different "bosses".

She is always helpful and courteous, she is friendly and eminently qualified for her position. Surely Jenny Lee Robinson is an "Unsung Hero".

Dance! Dance! Dance!

Picture it-- Brackettville Civic Center, February 16, 1990, a mob of anxious young students waiting at a locked door to enter. This depicts the scene of last Friday's C.C.D. Friendship Dance.

The d.j. is "JC" from KTDR's Power Music Machine. Great music, great decorating, and good food were all waiting for over 200 students, guests, and sponsors. The first song is hot, but no one's dancing, so he plays a very explicit song, and the

dance floor is jammed with dancers. Things start jumping and laughter can be heard, which is a good sign. It looks like some sponsors are having just as good a time as any of the students.

The dance was the brain-child of Dorthy Roberts, C.C.D. Director, and with the help of others, the dance is a huge success. The kids danced till 11:00, so did most of the sponsors. The students would like to thank Dorthy for the dance.

Dear Voter,

With election day, March 13, 1990, rapidly approaching I would like to again take this opportunity to remind you to elect a county judge who you will be proud of and know in your hearts that Kinney County is being represented by the best.

I will not attempt to make a lot of promises that I know I cannot keep. I will never tell you that I can do something when I know that the project is completely not within the realm of possibility. I do promise to be honest and truthful with you and never will I be guilty of doing anything that would discredit the office of County Judge.

Instead of me telling you what I am going to do when I am elected to this office I intend to come to you and ask what you would like me to do in order to better serve you. I have many ideas and projects that I feel would strengthen the government in Kinney County and, in doing so, instill dignity and integrity into the

office of county judge.

It is very important to research new businesses for Kinney County because of the importance they play in our future. We are losing our young people by leaps and bounds because there is no place for them in this area due to the lack of jobs and future. They are moving to places with more job opportunities in order to provide for their families. There is no reason this problem cannot be resolved. These young people love Brackettville and the surrounding area and many of them would choose to stay if given the opportunity.

The senior citizen of Kinney County should never be pushed aside. Regardless of color, race, or creed they should be right at the top of the priority list. They have already lived a lifetime and in doing so have earned considerations that younger people are still working for.

Kinney County has the resources to accomplish many improvements such

as road and bridge repairs along with new road and bridge construction. These projects are in dire need of improvement and should be looked at by someone with vision enough to recognize the future needs of our county. This would just be the first steps to take with bigger and better things to come.

I have no outside interest that could ever divert my attention from the responsibilities of the office I am seeking. I do not own any outside business that could receive a priority over the office I am seeking. I have no axe to grind or any personal projects which could benefit me in any way if I am elected to this office. I can truthfully say the office of County Judge can in no way serve me but I can serve the office in many ways and this is by being your judge whom you elected into office to better serve you in the future.

When you go to the polls on March 13 vote for the best, vote for Les.

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Les Roper for County Judge

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Golf News by Les Roper

Golfers are a rare breed. They are kind, thoughtful, considerate, loving, caring, and the word list describing them could go on and on. They might disagree on the golf course but they will usually end the day with an invitation from one or the other to "come on over and sit a spell". Golfers are just not known to disagree with one another so strongly as to create any ill will that would end with the breakup of a friendship or an acquaintance. However, a situation arose this past Friday night that took everyone by surprise even though it was not golf related. About ten couples from the Fort decided to meet at Ma Crosby's in Mexico for a night out. It was to be a typical get together of dining and some dancing with a lot of laughing and merriment mixed in. About midway through the party Gordon Petaja asked Hoagy Nelson to dance with him. This shocked some of the party but since both of these "gentle giants" use the same tailor it was tolerated. As these two very close friends approached the dance floor it was noticed they were each trying to convince the other one of something that could not be heard. They stood in the middle of the dance floor for some time when it

was finally realized by all that they were having a violent argument. Abruptly, both men wheeled away and walked back to their tables alone. For awhile no one had the courage to ask about the incident. Finally, the truth came out. Seems as if the whole thing stemmed from a rather childish attitude on both of these guys. The song was a "jitterbug" and they couldn't agree on who was going to lead. The weekly Couple's Tournament was played on Thursday this past week after enjoying many months of enjoyment on Friday. Thursday was chosen in cooperation with Fort activities and the best interest of those involved. It is obvious that no one is really disturbed over this move by the good turn out of contestants. The only problem the Couples seem to be having is a failure to provide the Brackett News with the results and the names of the winners. If some regular participant would volunteer for this job then week to week coverage would be given to the game and the players. Hoagy Nelson's knowledge of the game of golf and his expertise continue to headline play at the golf course. This past week he organized a Skins Game with sixteen players

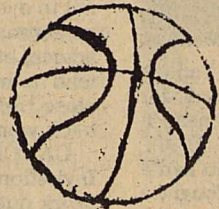
participating in it. This "spectacular sixteen" was made up of Hoagy Nelson, Hubie McKelvy, Bill Bizzell, Bob Derrickson, Flip Talamantez, Tom Beatty, Rueben Warren, Ralph Viestenz, Gordon Lundquist, Jack Wood, Carl Spray, Doc Cruse, Pat Grant, Jim Bussey, Bob Miller, and Sam Henninger. Each player paid an entry fee to participate and the money collected was put back into the game according to the ground rules that were drawn up. The big winner for the first day and advancing to the finals was Doc Cruse with \$21. Finishing second with \$18 was Hoagy Nelson while Hubie McKelvy and Tom Beatty tied for third and fourth place by winning \$17 apiece. Sunday afternoon the four winners took to the links and after all the dust had settled Hoagy Nelson emerged as the big winner of the day by accumulating \$64 in total winnings. Finishing second was Tom Beatty with \$35, Hubie McKelvy finishing third with \$25, and Doc Cruse coming in fourth with \$21. The shindig created so much interest that another one is now on the drawing board with plans to hold it in the near future. Snap, crackle, and pop!! That ain't

breakfast cereal you're hearing but knuckles, bones, and joints as 43 'ol roots tee off on the nine hole course in the fastest growing tournament on the Fort. Sondra Meil is having the time of her life planning and organizing these old guys and gals from week to week and overseeing their fun day. Sondra just can't say enough nice things about this group but it is obvious that they are very special to her. A net score of 24 was recorded by Mark Johnson, Lou Sofaly, Ken De Grothenhaus, Molly Schroeder, and J.E. Meil to take home first place money. A tie for second place with a net score of 25 was between Gerald Gallion, Mildred Morse, Lyle Niel, Walt Baugess, and Julian Garza and Fay Gooch, Camille Niel, Harold Kauffman, Ed Boyco, and Ted Thatcher. It doesn't happen often but it did this past Tuesday morning. The ladies turned out en masse for a great day of golf but to their dismay Old Man Winter was waiting on them. This "snotty old reprobate" refuses to acknowledge the good weather that has been enjoyed by the membership and continuously creates undesirable playing conditions. With time running out on the old "rascal" he is slowly but surely

running out of tricks and he will soon be in hibernation until next year. The ladies had to cancel their golf for the day but, needless to say, they will be back next week, more ready than ever. If you had of been listening to this past Wednesday morning you would have heard "Taps" being played from the golf course. It would have sounded beautiful if all of the wailing and sobbing, crying, and moaning could have been drowned out. "Taps" was blown for the seven teams that went down in defeat and the tears were being furnished by the losing players that were not only defeated but humiliated for twelve long weeks. Following "Taps" the military band struck up a tune called "I'm A Yankee Doodle Dandy" in honor of the winning team...Colonel Ralph Viestenz, Lou Schlatterer, Charlie Descheemaeker, and Harold Kauffman. This bunch of golfers combined all of the ingredients necessary to make a winning team. They had excellent leadership, dedication, pride, loyalty, and last but not least, ability. Colonel Viestenz has entered three Pot Belly leagues and with three different teams he has won all three of them. Tell you anything, guys???

Refusing to holler "calf rope" was Hoagy Nelson, Gordon Petaja, Don Herron, and Ray Kurtz doing battle right up to the last and claiming second place. Making the biggest move of the twelve week period was Bobby Miller, P.M. Moore, Dave Russell, and Jack Taunt to claim third place. First Place...Gobblers...80pts. Second Place...Horned Toads...62pts. Third Place...Roadrunners...43pt. A banquet will be held next Wednesday evening, February 28, 1990 at the club house. For information pertaining to this big event contact Gordon Lundquist or Ray Kurtz. ON AN AVERAGE DAY...217 sets of twins are born...5 sets of triplets are born...98 babies are born away from a hospital...280 babies are delivered by midwives...1,994 babies are born to unwed mothers. WORDS OF WISDOM...The bible tells us to love our neighbors, and also to love our enemies...probably because they are generally the same people. A CONCEITED GOLFER...His idea of being unfaithful is turning away from the mirror...he has the only head in town with stretch marks.

Sports...



Tigerettes Named Bi-District champs!!!

by J.J. Guidry
LA PRYOR-The Tigers finished their 89-90 campaign with a 72-61 victory over LaPryor last Friday. They finished the season with an 8-6 district record. Mitch Frerich was the high scorer with 22 points, while Eddie Garza tallied up 16 and Armando Talamantez had 10. Clay Hunt scored 6, Tevin Senne made 4, John Hernan-

dez sank a three-pointer Lesly Floyd and Cary Haynes both scored 2, while Steve Clementz made a free throw. Clementz also contributed 19 assists. Eloy Saldivar led LaPryor with 13, while Jerry Quijano had 12 and Bobby Flores made 10. Joe Ortega had 7, Rey Trevino and Michael Salazar had 5, Jim Blair made 4, and Trey Hall scored 2.

by J.J. Guidry
SAN ANTONIO-The Tigerettes earned Bi-District honors over Three Rivers last Thursday at Southwest High School Gym in San Antonio. Brackett dominated with a 75-38 final score. The Tigerettes started the game by going inside to Stephanie Ahrens and jumped to a 15-0 lead. In the second quarter, Three Rivers has an 8-1 run to pull within seven points. Three Rivers defense packed it in down low so Yvonne Luna picked up

the slack with her outside shooting. Yvonne Luna was the top scorer with 27 points, while Stephanie Ahrens had 23. Dorothy Ward also scored in double-figures with 11 points. Vivian Luna had 7, Wendy McDaniel connected for 4 points, while Dee Ann Frerich made 3. Ward was the top rebounder with 16 boards, while Ahrens grabbed 13. Christy Cuevas led the Bulldogs with 11 points. Trevino and Cruz had 8, Rojas made 4, Reyna had 3, while Galvan and Shaw added 2.

Upon entering the Gateway Cafe, one is always greeted with a friendly "Good Morning" or "Good Afternoon," and immediately offered a cup of coffee or a glass of tea. The place is always filled with customers eating the home cooked meals and discussing the day's events. The Gateway Cafe was opened on July 1, 1987 by Juan Manuel and Yolanda Flores. Juan Manuel had worked for the Rancho 73 for ten years and then decided he would like to open a cafe in Brackettville. With the help of family and friends, the Flores have been serving the citizens of Brackettville for almost three years. The Gateway opens at 5:30 a.m. and closes around 3 p.m. There is a wide variety of breakfast dishes, including huevos rancheros and pancakes. The specialties are the breakfast tacos made up of beans, chorizo, sausage, bacon, ham, or guisado. The

Gateway always serves a lunch special which might consist of steak ranchero, chicken-fried steak, mexican plate, tacos, enchiladas or the famous guisado plate. Juan Manuel, Yolanda and a friend called Gallo do most of the cooking. In the afternoons, the oldest daughter Yolanda (Yolis), also cooks. The food is always fresh and the meals are always hot. Juan Manuel and Yolanda Flores have five children two which are twins. Yolanda, 22, and Susanna, 20 attend Uvalde Junior College. Juan Manuel, 17, and the twins, Gabriel and Gabriella, 15, attend Brackettville High School. Go by the Gateway Cafe and experience the friendliness of a family operated restaurant and taste some delicious home cooked meals. The guisado plate is the best in town!!

Tigerettes come Close to Area Title

by J.J. Guidry
DEVINE-The Brackett Tigerettes fought hard, but couldn't overcome the Lady Leopards of Kenedy for the area championship. Kenedy earned a trip to the regional tournament with their 65-49 victory. The Lady Leopards won the opening tip and quickly gained a 6-0 lead on fast breaks. They built their lead up to 8, but Brackett pulled within four at the 2:51 mark, when Theresa Terrazas hit a jump shot. Kenedy went on to outscore Brackett 6-2 for a 18-10 lead going into the second period. Brackett's defense allowed the Tigerettes to outscore Kenedy 16-13,

though the Lady Leopards still held a 31-26 halftime lead. Kenedy began the second half with another 6-0 run. They rallied for a 16 point lead in the third quarter. Yvonne Luna hit several jump shots when the Tigerettes fought for a 10-2 run making the score 46-54 at the 3:22 mark so Kenedy quickly used a time out. In the remaining minutes, the Leopards outscored Brackett 11-3 for the victory. Becky DeLeon led Kenedy with 17 points. Rhonda Rogers and Kim Shaw both scored 14, while Alicia Couser had 12. Sherry Beiker

contributed 6 and Mechie Spencer made 21. Yvonne Luna controlled Brackett's scoring with 26 points. Dorothy Ward followed with 7, Stephanie

Ahrens had 6, Theresa Terrazas scored 5, Vivian Luna made 4, and Wendy McDaniel added a free throw.

Tests Serve A Purpose

At some time in our lives, we all have had to take tests, whether they were for certification, admissions, or assessment. We all have also wondered, "What possible purpose do these tests serve?" In schools, tests are used for many reasons. Their major purpose, however, is to determine not only how well students have learned but also how well teachers have taught. Administrators, school specialists, and teachers need this information in order to make decisions that will enhance every student's educational experience and to see to it that all students receive a fair chance of getting the best education. Reasons for testing range from designing instruction to evaluating an individual student's progress and from determining the need for special programs to assessing educational programs. There are many types of tests that are used for these reasons. Designing instruction: Teachers use pretests to help them determine what should be taught to students. The results of a pretest-questions covering content similar to what will be taught within a given unit or chapter and over the course of a quarter, semester, or year-often help teachers pinpoint what students may already know and determine what concepts may need to be given greater stress. Pretests may also help teachers identify individual students who would benefit from enrichment activities or who may need additional instruction or practice. Giving tests before teaching a lesson can provide a baseline from which a teacher can measure individual or group progress. Evaluating student progress: Teachers give posttests after a lesson has been taught in order to determine what and how much students have learned. Teacher-designed tests, basal series tests, textbook unit and chapter tests, and district-designed tests evaluating key curriculum components may be given to students. Results from these tests are also used to determine what grade a student has earned. Determining the need for special programs: Some students have learning needs that are different from their peers' needs, and thus, they may profit from some form of specialized instruction. This specialized instruction may include special tutoring programs, Chapter or Title I reading and math programs, or placement in a resource room or

self-contained room. Types of tests which may be administered to individual students include intelligence tests and standardized or non-standardized academic-achievement tests. Results from direct observations, rating scales, questionnaires, and self-report inventories are also used in determining the need for special programs. Parents, teachers, and peers may also be asked to provide information about individual students. Assessing educational programs: Administrators and teachers often use test results to answer a variety of questions that are specifically designed to evaluate a program. Such questions may include the following: Are students in all schools in the district making appropriate progress? What specific math skills seem to be consistently strong or weak for all sixth graders in the district? Has increased access to computers really improved student performance? Which is better, a whole-word approach basal series or a phonics-approach basal series? Which method of instruction leads to the greatest gains in social skills? To answer these and other questions, group achievement tests, state-designed competency tests, or unit or chapter pretests and posttests may be given to students. Results from direct observations and informal assessments such as rating scales and questionnaires are also used to assess educational programs. In school, all tests are designed so that they give school personnel the most accurate information available to make the best decisions about the education of all children.

Academic Teams Place 11th

by J.J. Guidry
The Brackett Jr. High Academic team placed eleventh in the first round of the National All-Star Academic Team competition in Texas. Over 25,000 students from across the nation participated representing over 1,600 schools. The competition is computer based with questions covering Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts

curriculum. The teams are given points for their correct answers according to how quickly they respond. The top four teams will advance to the National Finals, which will be held in Lexington, Kentucky, on May 12. Brackett's team is composed of Tiffany Bryan, Michael Benacci, and Matthew Benacci. They are taught by Mrs. Sue Sims.

Sports Bits

by J.J. Guidry
The Tigerettes ended the season with District and Bi-District championships and were area qualifiers. They had a 21-10 overall record and only gave up two district losses, both on the road. Brackett showed up in Hondo and in Devine in their new uniforms. During the area game, the Tigerettes began the second half without Yvonne Luna...she was accidentally locked inside the locker room.

Five Tigerettes earned all-district honors (see related story.) The boys team will be announced when Lytle and Lackland have completed their playoff games. Speaking of teams it's what everybody's been waiting for, the all-Guidry Team. The Boys MVP was Jory Curry of Lackland, while Stephanie Ahrens and Yvonne Luna of Brackett were the co-MVP's for the girls.

Here are the teams:

Boys			Girls		
Position	Player	Team	Position	Player	Team
G	Rudy Cortez	Lytle	G	Terry Garcia	Lytle
G	Steve Clementz	Brackett	G	Sara Garcia	Sabinal
F	Thomas Gardner	Lackland	F	Joann Bishop	LaPryor
F	Mitch Frerich	Brackett	F	Vivian Luna	Brackett
P	Billy Thompson	Natalia	P	Callie Moore	Lytle
P	David Perez	Cotulla	P	Dorothy Ward	Brackett

Honorable Mention:
G-Eddie Garza, Brackett; G-Damon Esquivel, Lackland; F-Jeff Milward, Lytle; P-Armando Talamantez, Brackett; P-Darwin King, Lackland.

Honorable Mention:
G-Korey Spence, Sabinal; G-Theresa Terrazas, Brackett; F-Jody Meyer, Sabinal; P-Carrie Barnhill, Lytle; P-Wendy McDaniel, Brackett.

Chamber of Commerce Spotlight Review No., 13

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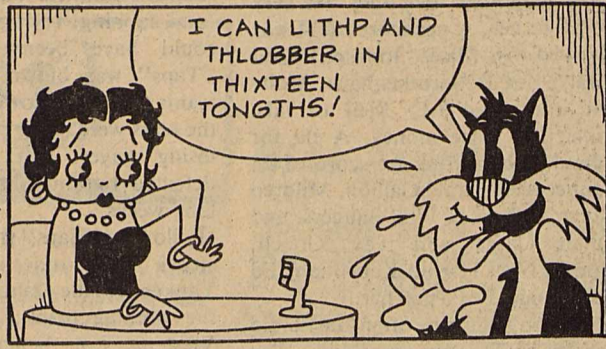
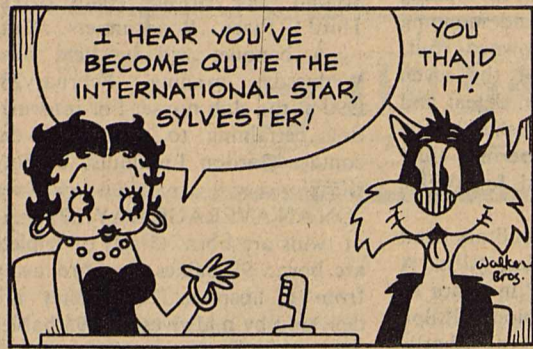
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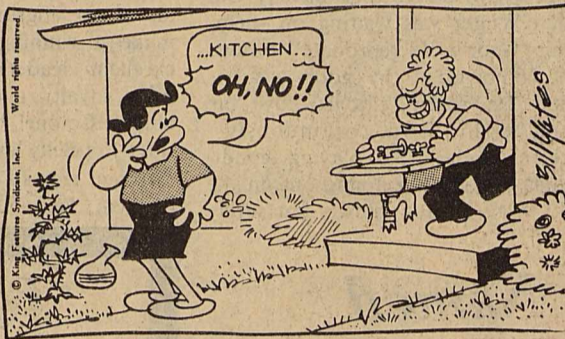
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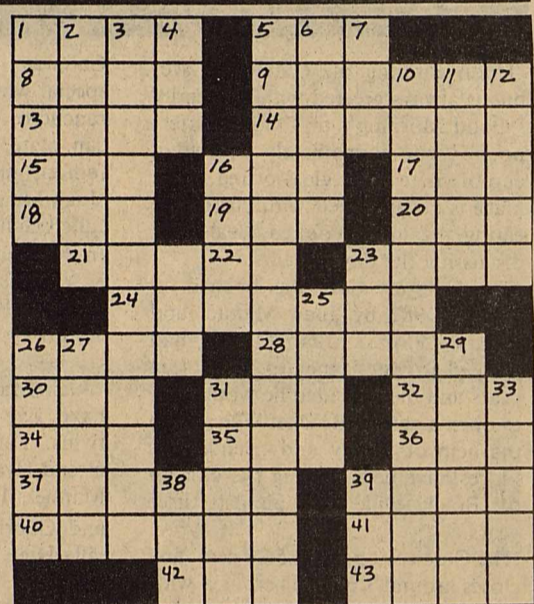
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- River in Maine
- Fuse abbreviation
- Golfer's bete noire
- Easter event
- Engrossed
- One about to "I do" it
- Swiss canton
- Leaf cutter
- Central American tree
- Make lace
- Alfonso's queen
- Nest
- Linger
- Poker term
- In a lax manner
- Imprison
- French city
- Biblical king
- Polynesian beverage
- Pub quaff
- Stitchbird
- Family member (abbr.)
- Incarminade
- Leased
- Once more
- Noble Roman family
- Son of Jacob



- Dance step
- Arabian gulf
- Swagger
- Biblical mountain
- One form of profits
- Make a choice
- With 10 Down, motto for the thrifty
- Island in the Medit.
- In favor of
- See 5 Down
- Account book entry
- Gnaw
- Of aircraft
- Fish eggs
- Wholly
- Epochal
- City in Illinois
- Son of Jacob
- Garment feature
- Sphere of activity
- Drood
- Secret information
- Wing (Lat.)

Top Video Rentals

- "When Harry Met Sally..." starring **Billy Crystal** (Nelson Home Entertainment) Last Week: No. 1
- "License To Kill" **Timothy Dalton** (CBS-Fox) No. 6
- "Road House" **Patrick Swayze** (MGMA) No. 2
- "Weekend At Bernie's" **Andrew McCarthy** (IVE) No. 5
- "Star Trek V: The Final Frontier" **William Shatner** (Paramount) No. 3
- "Do The Right Thing" **Danny Aiello** (MCA) No. 7
- "Lock Up" **Sylvester Stallone** (IVE) No. 4
- "See No Evil, Hear No Evil" **Gene Wilder** (RCA/Columbia) No. 9
- "K-9" **James Belushi** (MCA) No. 10
- "Ghostbusters II" **Bill Murray** (RCA/Columbia) No. 8
- "Great Balls Of Fire" **Dennis Quaid** (Orion) No. 11
- "Batman" **Michael Keaton** (Warner) No. 12
- "Renegades" **Kiefer Sutherland** (MCA) No. 19
- "Scrooged" **Bill Murray** (Paramount) No. 19
- "Working Girl" **Melanie Griffith** (CBS-Fox) No. 15
- "Three Fugitives" **Nick Nolte** (Touchstone) No. 14
- "Say Anything" **John Cusack** (CBS-Fox) No. 16
- "Adventures Of Baron Munchausen" **John Neville** (RCA/Columbia) No. 18
- "A Nightmare On Elm Street 5: The Dream Child" **Robert Englund** (Media Home Ent.) No. 17
- "Eddie And The Cruisers II: Eddie Lives!" **Michael Pare** (IVE) New Entry

Top 10 Singles

- Chicago "What Kind Of Man Would I Be?" (Reprise) Last Week: No. 4
- Roxette "Dangerous," (EMI) No. 7
- Janet Jackson "Escape," (A&M) No. 9
- Milli Vanilli "All Or Nothing," (Arista) No. 6
- Expose "Tell Me Why," (Arista) No. 8
- Cover Girls "We Can't Go Wrong," (Capitol) No. 10
- Gloria Estefan "Here We Are," (Epic) No. 11
- The B-52's "Roam," (Reprise) No. 12
- Bad English "Price Of Love," (Epic) No. 13
- Billy Joel "I Go To Extremes," (Columbia) No. 18

Trivia Test

by Linda Luckhurst

- Capitals: What is the capital of Nebraska?
- Musical Instruments: What type of instrument is the piano considered?
- Politics: Who moderated the Kennedy-Nixon debates in 1960?
- Comic Book Heroes: What were the names of Superman's real parents, and what did they name him?
- Science: What was phrenology?
- Literature: Who wrote the 1950s steamy novel, "Peyton Place"?
- Phobias: What is arachnophobia?
- Explorers: Who discovered the Pacific Ocean?
- Sports: In horse racing, what is a mudder?
- Music: Who recorded the July 1960 number one hit single, "I'm Sorry"?

Sports Quiz

by Allan Ornstein

- Name the New York Yankee who holds the team record for appearing in the most games in pinstripes at 2,401.
- Name the pro boxer who had a lifetime record of 68-3 and fought a record 25 title defenses.
- Name the former defensive back with the L.A. Rams, Chicago Cardinals and Detroit Lions who had the nickname, "Night Train."
- Prior to managing the New York Mets, for what other baseball team was Gil Hodges a manager?
- Name two cities the NHL's New Jersey Devils played in prior to their move to the Garden state.
- Name the only current major league baseball team to never have had a winning season.
- Name six teams Dick Williams has managed during his baseball career.
- What is O.J. Simpson's full real name?

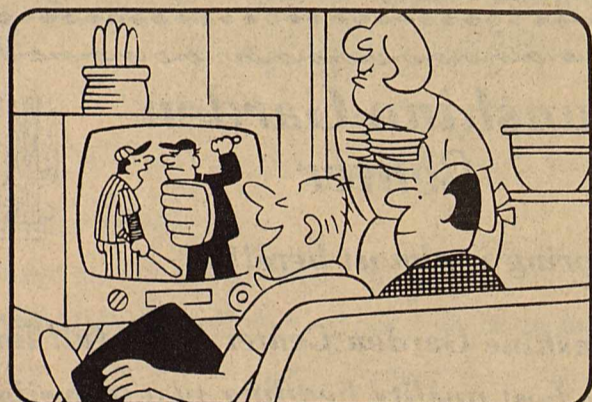
This Week In History

On Feb. 28-29, 1704, Indians attacked Deerfield, Mass., killing 40 people and abducting 100 ... Feb. 28, 1854, the Republican party was formed at Ripon, Wis., opposing the Kansas-Nebraska Act which left the issue of slavery to the vote of settlers ... March 1, 1875, Congress passed the Civil Rights Act, giving equal rights to blacks in public accommodations and jury duty. The Act was invalidated in 1883 by the Supreme Court ... March 1, 1932, Charles Lindbergh Jr. was kidnapped ... Feb. 28, 1950, Sen. Estes Kefauver's preliminary committee report said organized crime's gambling take was over \$20 billion a year ... March 1, 1954, five members of Congress were wounded in the House by four Puerto Rican independence supporters who fired at random from a spectators' gallery ... March 1, 1967, black representative Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.) was denied his seat in Congress because of charges he misused government funds ... March 2, 1982, the Senate voted 57-37 for a bill that virtually eliminated busing for the purposes of racial integration.

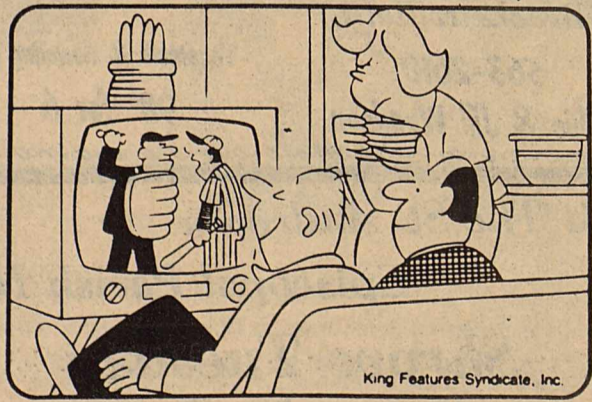
Top 10 Movies

- Stella starring Bette Midler
- Driving Miss Daisy Jessica Tandy
- Born on the Fourth of July Tom Cruise
- Tango And Cash Sylvester Stallone
- Internal Affairs Mel Gibson
- Flashback Kiefer Sutherland
- Heart Condition Denzel Washington
- Steel Magnolias Dolly Parton
- The Little Mermaid
- Roger & Me

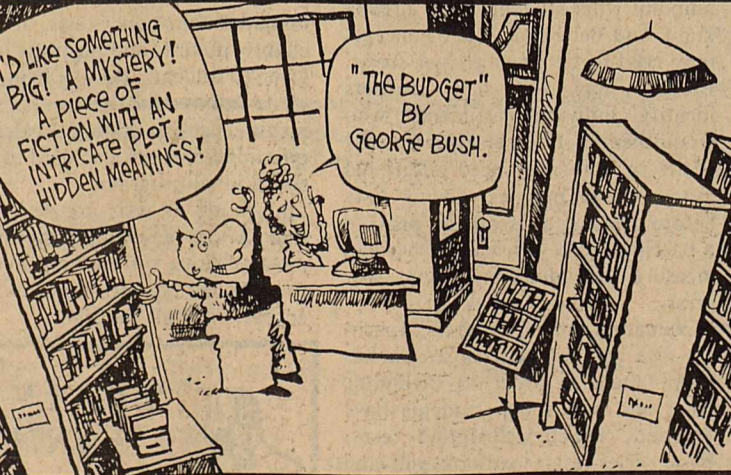
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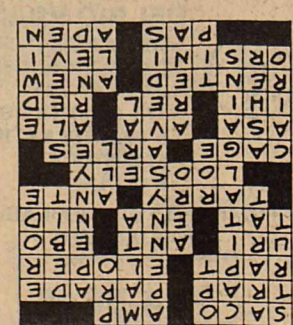
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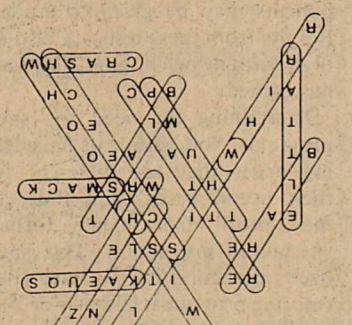
Differences: 1. Plant is moved; 2. TV picture is reversed; 3. Sleeve is long; 4. Mouth is closed; 5. Hand is different; 6. Bowl is smaller.



Answers to King Crossword



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

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| Whirr | Rattle | Blast | Screech |
| Thump | Crash | Blare | Whistle |
| Swish | Clatter | Clang | Smack |
| Wheeze | Squeak | Whoosh | |

Home hints

HAIR-ORNAMENT HOLDER — I have long hair and therefore I have lots of accessories — combs, barrettes, etc. They made a mess in the bathroom, so I made myself a hair-ornament holder.

I have a small cupboard in my bathroom where I keep all my personal articles. I got some one-inch ribbon and some fancy tacks. I tacked eight separate lengths of ribbon horizontally on the back of the door. I was then able to attach all my combs, barrettes and other hair accessories to the ribbons.

Now I can tell at a glance what I have and can easily find anything I want. Janet P., Minneapolis, Minn.

DIET TIP — It seems I am forever dieting and when dieting, it is important to drink eight to 10 glasses of water a day. This was always difficult for me. I mean, who actually likes to drink that much water? Certainly not me!

So, to try to help, I bought my very own special glass. It is very attractive and I use it all the time. Whenever it is empty, I refill it. It serves as a constant reminder of how great I'm going to look. Rita J., San Antonio, Texas

PLASTIC WRAP — One of my least favorite chores is trying to get a plate clean after using it when flouring chicken. After dipping the

chicken in either milk or egg batter and then rubbing it in flour, the plate is a terrible mess. I scrub and scrub and eventually it comes clean.

Now, before I start cooking, I cover the plate with a piece of plastic wrap and then put the flour on it. This way, I simply roll the flour and everything up and throw it away. This sure made my meal preparation much easier. Susie C., Silver Spring, Md.

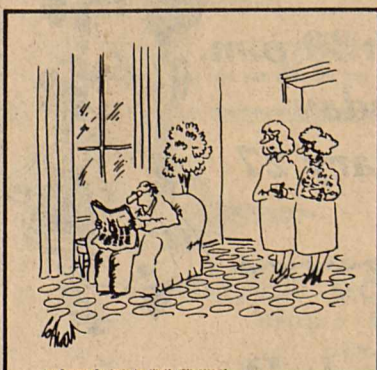
Trivia Test Answers

- Lincoln; 2. Percussion; 3. Howard K. Smith; 4. Jor-El, Lara and Kal-El; 5. 19th-century science which held that a person's character could be told by feeling bumps on the head because they tell which areas of the brain are overdeveloped; 6. Grace Metalious; 7. Fear of man; 8. Francisco Pizarro and Vasco Nunez de Balboa in 1513; 9. Horse that runs well on muddy or sloppy track, rain or shine; 10. Brenda Lee

Sports Quiz Answers

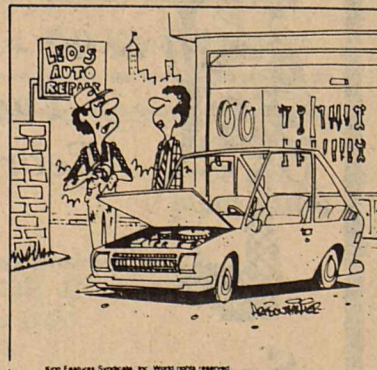
- Mickey Mantle; 2. Joe Louis; 3. Dick Lane; 4. Washington Senators (1963-67); 5. Kansas City and Denver; 6. Seattle Mariners; 7. Boston Red Sox, Oakland A's, California Angels, Montreal Expos, San Diego Padres and Seattle Mariners; 8. Orenthal James Simpson

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"Harold is a man of his word. Once he's made a wrong decision, he sticks to it."

LAFF-A-DAY



"If your car were a person, I'd be calling a priest right about now."

Dream Home In Fort Clark

by Jennifer Pasanski

With a vivid imagination and the talent of carpentry anything is possible, proved Cecil and Mavis Apperson.

The couple began in 1983 with a 40 ft. 5th wheel travel trailer and a lot on Fort Clark Springs and ended up with a beautiful home complete with hot tub and party room that can seat well over 60 persons.

Cecil and Mavis did the work and designs on the home themselves and bit by bit created one of the most attractive homes in the area.

One of the rarities of the home is in the master bedroom. When entering the room it looks like your typical master bedroom the walls are lined with 3 wardrobe closets on each side of the room.

The uniqueness begins when you open the closet doors, neatly tucked away in one of the closets is a

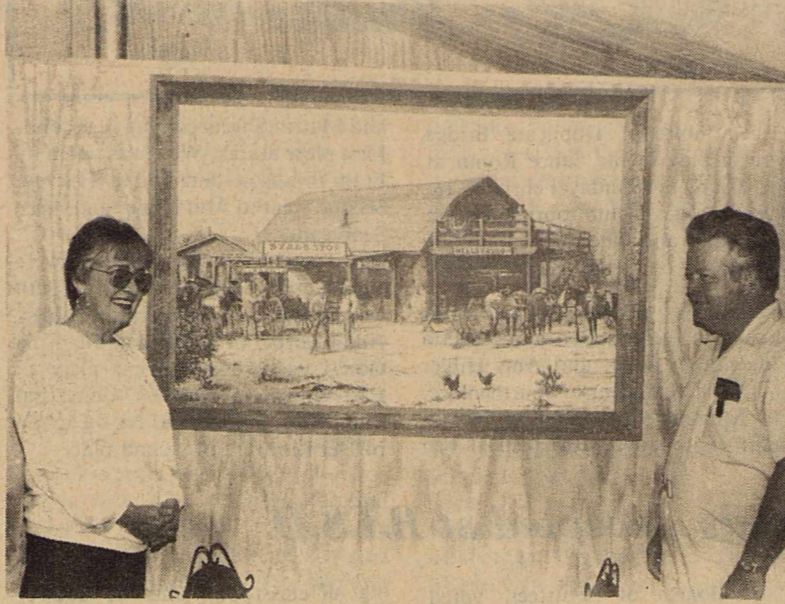
minature kitchen complete with stove and refrigerator, the next closet when opened reveals a bathroom complete with tub. A bedroom for the visiting grandchildren is in another closet and Cecil's office occupies the next closet space. The other two closets hold the Appersons wardrobes.

Throughout the house the walls are covered with original Bud Breen paintings.

"We have a lot of fun here", stated Mavis Apperson, "We have stories to go with everything which makes it nice for us", she added.

Cecil retired from the Post office in Eldon, Missouri 10 years ago. His wife joins him in the part time job of working for COATS during the summer months as purchasing agents for major companies.

The Appersons raised two children. And now enjoy the leisure of their home on Fort Clark Springs.



Mavin and Cecil Apperson pose by the custom made painting of their home done by local Artist Bud Breen.

Feature Writer Interviews Happy

by Lashawn Wardlaw

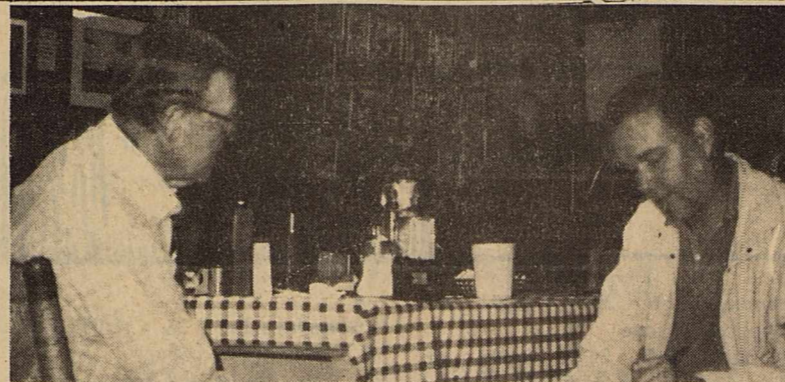
Fort Worth Star Telegram feature writer, Chris Evans, spent Monday, February 12 - Friday, February 16 at Fort Clark Springs obtaining information for a story on the Seminoles and one on Alamo Village owner, Happy Shahan.

"Everyone has been great. Mr. Swanson has given me more informa-

tion about the Seminoles than I had asked for," said Evans.

Referring to his interview with Shahan, "There is so much to know about this man. It is going to be difficult getting this information into one story."

Evans plans to have these stories for his readers sometime next month.



Chris Evans of the Fort Worth Star Telegram interviewing Happy Shahan.

Sandoval Awarded

Lt. Ronald A. Sandoval, U.S. Navy, has been presented the Navy Achievement Medal for his service at Pensacola Naval Station as an instructor pilot.

The presentation was made to Lt. Sandoval while he was serving a sea tour as the navigator on the USS Tripoli and upon their arrival in Okinawa, Japan. The presentation was made by Navy Captain Eric Peterson, Commander, USS Tripoli.

Lt. Sandoval and his wife, the former Blanca Bidart, live in Chula Vista, Calif., where he is assigned to the San Diego Naval Base, the homeport for the USS Tripoli.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julio Sandoval, formerly from Brackettville and Uvalde now making their home in San Antonio. His maternal grandmother, Mrs. Santos Valle resides in Uvalde, and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Faustino Sandoval, reside in Brackettville.

In presenting the medal to Lt. Sandoval, the Secretary of the Navy cited his superior performance while serving as the wing control officer, statistics officer, log and records officer, training department division officer, and squadron athletic officer, Helicopter Training Squadron Eight, from April 1987 to March 1989.



Capt. Eric Peterson, Commander, USS Tripoli, presents the Navy Achievement Medal to Lt. Ronald A. Sandoval, center, on board the USS Tripoli for his service at Pensacola Naval Station as an instructor pilot.

Getting The Good

News Around

by Lashawn Wardlaw

Fort Clark Springs, Public Relations Director, Lashawn Wardlaw represented Kinney County at the 41st San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, February 11th and 13th.

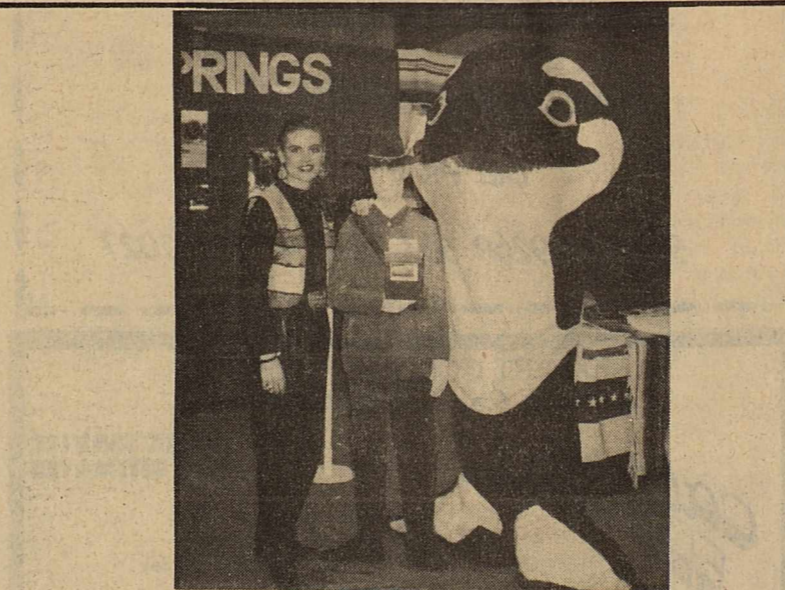
Special days are allocated each day during the annual event at the Joe Freeman Entertainment Center. Kinney County participated in the West Texas Day and Texas Travel Day.

"Fortunately, the weather was perfect this year, attendance records were broken. This allowed us the opportunity to distribute our material to more people," said Wardlaw. West Texas Day participants includ-

ed Uvalde, Carrizo Springs, and other surrounding towns. Some of the Texas Travel Day participants were Sea World, IMAX Theater in San Antonio, Bandera, Y.O. Hilton in Kerrville, and Fredricksburg.

"It definitely was a positive showing in getting the good news out on our great spot in Southwest Texas. I couldn't have done it without the help of Sharon White and my mother, Tulisha Wardlaw," said Wardlaw.

Kinney County does have a lot to offer, let's remember to share it with others!



Lashawn Wardlaw, Public Relations Director at Fort Clark Springs, "Clyde", the Cavalrymen, and Sea World's own Shamu.

Val Verde Memorial Hospital Blood Drive

Val Verde Memorial Hospital and the South Texas Regional Blood Bank will host the first blood drive for 1990 in the Lab Conference Room at the hospital on Wednesday, February 28, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Any person in the community between the ages of 17 and 72 may donate blood, although 17 year olds must have written parental permission.

Donors should weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good general health, and must not have donated blood within the previous eight weeks. When you give blood, you can help ensure that you receive help when

you need it, and cover costs for those who may be unable to donate. The South Texas Regional Blood Bank offers a special bonus for giving blood, the Donor Dividend Discount Plan. Thirty days after you donate blood, you become eligible for a period of one year for financial assistance in covering processing fees for any blood you may need. You may qualify for this help under one of the following three groups: family, group or gift.

During the blood drive on February 28th, all donors will also receive a mini-physical which includes a free cholesterol screening. Open your heart

this February 28th and donate blood...giving blood is safe, giving blood is necessary. Giving blood saves lives.

For more information you may call

Dava Cloudt, Public Relations Director for Val Verde Memorial Hospital, 775-8566, Ext 250, or the South Texas Regional Blood Bank in San Antonio, 1-800-292-5534.

Distict Board of Trustees

Tours Campus buildings

The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees took a guided, walking tour of campus buildings as the first item on the agenda of the February 13, 1990 regular meeting. The Board saw improvements completed over the past four years, and had several areas pointed out that needed attention. Among the areas of needed improvement were: revising of Jones Elementary, repair and refurbish Ag Shop, Band Hall, Science Labs, gym bleachers, and cafeteria (old gym

building). McCall also asked the Board to consider also; aluminum seating for football stadium, and resurfacing of the track and the tennis courts. McCall told the Board that the classroom shortage was becoming critical with new courses offered at the secondary level and the increase in elementary enrollment.

The Board will conduct a planning session before the next board meeting to discuss financing and prioritizing these projects.

Tobacco Free Campus

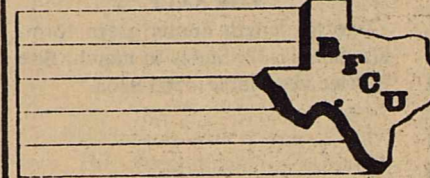
The Board of Trustees discussed creating a tobacco free campus. The proposal would ban all possession and use of tobacco at school related functions, and of course during the school day for all students and school

district personnel.

The Board tabled the item after discussion, and agreed to seek input and consider the action at a later board meeting.

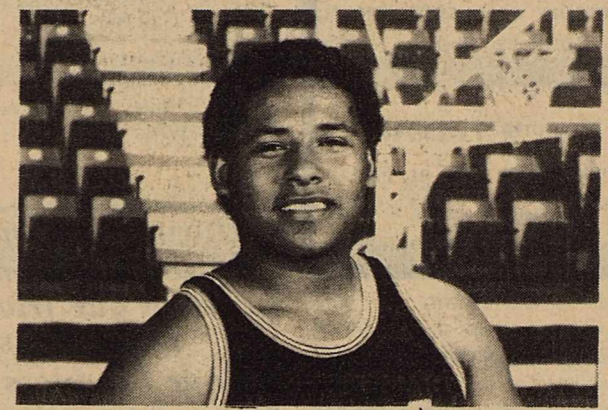
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Brackettville Proud



Steve Clementz

Steve Clementz, son of Rachel and Mark Clementz recently was written up in the Express News as "Brackett's area top passer".

"He passes the ball around" stated the article. Clements was praised for registering 307 assists during 31 games and is averaging 9.9 per game. Congratulations Steve.

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 FOR
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Board Extends Principals Contracts

After an executive session discussion of administrative evaluations, the Board unanimously approved contract extensions for the building principals.

Mr. Mills, elementary principal, was given a one year extension on his

two year contract. Mr. Sims, high school principal, had the probationary status removed from his contract and had it extended to a two year agreement. Pay for the administrators was deferred until the June meeting.

Yearbook Dedication

The School Trustees approved a request by the Annual Staff to dedicate the 1990 Tiger Yearbook to the memory of Hector Pena, Jr. Mr. McCall recommended the action saying that Hector's character and courage is an excellent role model for students, as well as adults to try to emulate.

God Shall Provide

"And do not seek what you are to eat or what you are to drink... your father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things shall be yours as well."
 — Luke 12:29-31

If you believe in God the Creator, then you cannot doubt that He will also provide for what He has brought into being. It is an unnatural parent who does not see to the well-being of his offspring. In exchange for that care, an earthly parent should expect respect of those nurtured by his provender. Is God to be judged otherwise? He asks for our devotion and adherence to His dictates. Those are not selfish demands but the wishes of a Deity concerned for His children both on earth and in their attainment of His heavenly kingdom. That is small sacrifice for us.



It's A Boy!!!

Eduardo Jaime Pena

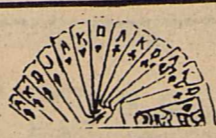
It's a Boy!!! Rosa and Eduardo (Lalo) Pena announce the arrival of their son Eduardo Jaime Pena. The baby was born at 6:05 a.m. in San Diego, California where Lalo is stationed while in the Navy.

Eduardo Jaime Pena weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce and was 20 inches long.

Maternal Grandparents are Rosalva Herrera of Brackettville and Guadalupe Herrera of Del Rio.

Paternal Grandparents are Estaban and Emilia Pena from Brackettville. Eduardo Jaime Pena is welcomed by his 19 month old sister Yasmin Soraida Pena!!

Congratulations and Best Wishes.



by Dot Burrow

Bridge Anyone?

Seven tables of Duplicate Bridge were in play in the Sabre Room at Fort Clark on Sunday February 18. The event was a club tournament, in which Carl and Queenie Mumma of Del Rio won first place overall,

followed by Fran Swanson and Millie Harvey in second, Ben and Rozetta Pingenot in third, and Ann Hibler and Alice Seargeant in fourth place. The Mumma's were high at North-South, with Joyce Bell of Del Rio

and Martin Sheets coming in second. First place at East-West was taken by Fran Swanson and Millie Harvey. Second went to Ann Hibler and Alice Seargeant.

On Tuesday February 20, there were eight tables. First at North-South went to Betty Inman and Ann Hibler. Anita Korbel of Del Rio and Norma Gould were second. First place at East-West was won by Gene and Mary Britton. Fred and Nita Clayton of Del Rio were in second place.

Bids Accepted at B.I.S.D.

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept low bids on the Air Conditioning and Energy Management proposals for the Brackett schools. The total cost of the project was \$137,000. The project will be financed through a combination of district fund balance money and a lease-purchase agreement. The contract calls for air condition-

ing all classrooms and the auditorium. There will also be a central energy management system that will regulate the temperature in each classroom. Superintendent Bob

McCall told the trustees that the air conditioning will provide a better learning environment for students in the late Spring and early Fall.

Just For The Fun Of It!

Place born - San Antonio, Tx.

Favorite food Lasagna/cheesecake

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

Best book you've read lately-
misery, Stephen King

Hobbies you enjoy-
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Your friends say you're-
Spontaneous

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

Secretly you've always wanted to be?
an interior decorator

In one word describe yourself-
Impetuous



Lea Anne Carle

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Public Notice

A training course for primary election judges and clerks will be held Monday, February 26, 1990 at 6:00 p.m. in the Brackett High School Library. This free training course is open to the public.

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During the time of sorrow we learn how much our friends mean to us. Your kindness and sympathy will always be remembered.

The Evelyn Mary Tartt Family

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25

1:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge

MONDAY FEBRUARY 26

8:00 p.m. AA - Slator Hall, James St.

8:00 p.m. Al-Anon - St. Andrew's Episcopal Parish Hall

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 27

7:00 p.m. Duplicate Bridge

6:30 p.m. Shriners - social hour followed by meeting at 7:30 p.m. - Las Moras

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 28

7:00 p.m. VFW & Ladies Auxiliary Post 8360, Fort Clark Springs NCO Club, covered dish supper at 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY MARCH 1

12:00 p.m. Rotary Club - Las Moras Inn

7:00 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Board Room, Fort Clark Springs

FRIDAY MARCH 2

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Drivers licence renewal Kinney County Courthouse - upstairs

OBITUARY

Memorial services for William F. Hazelton have been set for 3 p.m. Sunday at Tennessee and A Street Church of Christ with Colquitt Nash officiating. Services are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Thursday at Midland Memorial Hospital.

He was born April 24, 1923 in Hawley, Pennsylvania and was raised there. He attended school in Hawley, and enlisted in the US Air Force after high school. He served overseas in Japan in WW2. He received an honorable discharge in 1946. He moved to Buffalo, New York and began to work with Bell Aircraft. He

moved to Riverside, California in 1956. He lived there briefly before returning to Buffalo in 1960 where he worked for General Motors. He continued with General Motors until his retirement in 1982. Then he moved to Brackettville in 1984. He has been a resident there ever since.

Survivors: Ellen Hazelton-Brackettville, Texas, Son-William Hazelton II, Senora, Texas, Daughter-Cynthia Edens, Midland, Texas, Grandchildren-7, Nephews - 1, Great Niece - 1.

The family requests memorials be directed to the American Heart Association, 3525 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas.

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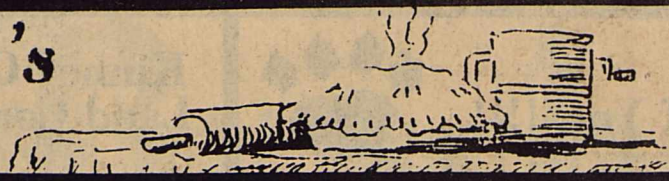
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Grandma's Kitchen



When public schools ban the Bible to duck religious controversy, the recklessly cut off a sturdy taproot of secular culture. An English teacher from Newton Mass, High School, teaching the Bible as background for the humanities, devised a 112 question quiz on simple Biblical allusions, sprang it on five classes of bright, college-bound juniors and seniors. In the English Journal he reports the results: "Several pupils thought that Sodom and Gomorrah were lovers: that the Gospels were written by Mathew, Mark, Luther and John; that Eve was created from an apple; and that Jesus was baptized by Moses." Asked to complete familiar quotations, 79 percent of the kids flunked "Many are called, but few are chosen," 84 percent flunked "the truth shall make you free," and a full 93 percent flunked "The love of money is the root of all evil." To cure such ignorance, yet avoid charges of proselytizing, the teacher developed a reading course, drawn from the King James Version, that stresses literary influence rather than

theological interpretation. His students soon found a new dimension in Moby Dick's Ishmael and Faulkner's Absalom! Absalom!

They learned the origin of a doubting Thomas, a Jonah and a Judas. On new tests, the pupils pushed their grades to high levels. Parents were grateful, not a single complaint came from them, even though the students included believers in all faith plus "nonbelievers, from the listless to the atheistic." - Our hats are off to this teacher, we need more like you around.

I met some snow-birds from Ontario Canada several weeks back, and my motor-mouth never stops. I'm always asking to share recipes, well here's one of her favorites. It has a different twist to it, and I had to rearrange the icing after I got mine out of the pan but you couldn't tell it. Our thanks to Lucy for sharing.

Chocolate Nut Upside-Down Cake

1/2 cup plus
3 Tbs margarine

divided
1/4 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
2/3 cup light corn syrup
1 cup chopped walnuts
1/4 cup heavy cream (I used evaporated milk)
1 3/4 cups plain flour
2 tea baking powder
1/2 tea salt
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs-separated
1 tea vanilla
1 cup milk
3-one oz squares unsweetened chocolate melted

(I used 1/2 cup cocoa sifted in with dry ingredients). Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease a 10 inch fluted tube pan; set aside. In saucepan over medium heat melt 1/4 cup margarine, stir in brown sugar and heat till bubbly. (about 1 minute) Stir in corn syrup and cream, stirring constantly until mixture boils. Blend in walnuts and pour this mixture into bottom of prepared tube pan. Spread evenly and set aside. This makes the icing for the cake. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, cocoa, if used;

set aside in large bowl; with electric mixer on medium, heat remaining 1/4 cup plus, 3 Tbs margarine until creamy, add sugar and beat until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, chocolate if using the melted squares and the vanilla until well-blended. Beat in flour mixture alternately with milk. In clean bowl with clean beaters, beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Fold this into batter. Spoon batter into prepared pan on top of walnut mixture. Bake 40-45 minutes, or until cake tester inserted in center of cake comes out clean. Cool in pan 15 minutes. To remove, run spatula around sides and center of pan. Invert onto wire rack to cool completely.

Thought this week is - God's strength behind you. His concern over you. His love within you and His arms beneath you are more than sufficient for the job ahead of you.

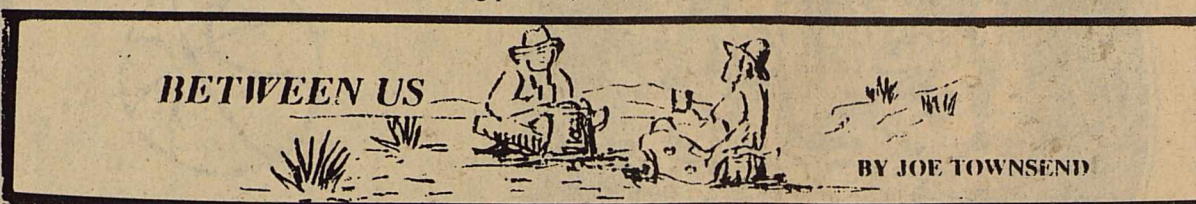
Love you loads and Special Hugs.
Grandma

Shrove Tuesday Supper

The traditional Shrove Tuesday pancake supper will be held again this year at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Brackettville. According to The Rev. Bill Koons, vicar. Serving of pancakes and sausage in quantities commensurate with diners' appetites will be from 5 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, in the parish hall of the church at Fort and Henderson streets. Fare will be \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased from local Episcopalians prior to Feb. 27 or at the door on Shrove Tuesday.

Pancake suppers on the night before Ash Wednesday are traditional meals in the Anglican Communion, having roots in early England. The day gets its name from the old requirement that one confess his or her sins on this date in order to be "Shriven" before Lent. Pancakes became popular on this day as cooks used up fats in the house before the rigorous fast days of Lent.

St. Andrew's Church for a number of years has used its annual pancake supper as a means of sharing this tradition with others, as an opportunity for community fellowship, and as a fund-raising effort for its building and improvements fund.



The "letter" by Dick and Huguette Hirsh and the answer by the editor offer some opportunity for thought. The "several major considerations" mentioned are certainly more academic than practical. Anyone familiar with politics would know that any and all politicians could field the questions posed in such a way as to find the approval of the questioners. Any person who would accept the rhetoric of a politician is gullible to the point of being naive.

To properly evaluate a candidate one needs to look at facts. There is no better way to arrive at evaluation of a candidate than to look at facts. A man does not change because he is elected to office. He does not change because he wants to be elected. Any candidate will be in office what he was before he campaigned.

There is no such thing as being a little dishonest. A man is either honest or dishonest. He either has integrity or he doesn't. There's no such thing as having a little integrity. If you want to truly evaluate a candidate find out what he has done and has been.

The answer is found here, not in answering some questions dreamed up to reflect the feelings of the questioner. The real tragedy lies in the fact that people do not vote for the person best fitted for the office.

They generally always have and always will vote emotionally rather than intellectually. That's why some blindly vote democratic while others vote blindly republican. That's why some vote blindly chicano and others vote blindly against the chicano. This is the reality of politics and this is the reason we often elect mediocre and sometimes corrupt people to office.

It is well to note also that we do not all make the same demands when evaluating candidates. The Hirsh letter would expect some answers to get them votes that would turn many other voters off. Some Questions are pointedly biased and in tone demand the candidate accept their specious positions. Some candidates will pointedly agree with potential voters simply to get votes. Personally I'd much rather vote for an honest man of integrity with intelligence enough to look at the facts of every issue and vote as the facts warrant.

The answer of the editor was well thought out and responded ably. The final paragraph deserves, some comment. May I remind the editor that in recent days two companies desiring to come to this area "offering jobs", have been soundly and loudly opposed. One successfully kept out. The jury is still out on the other, but the same people formented opposi-

tion. Neither of these companies asked nor expected any low priced property nor tax breaks but would pay no small amount of taxes and furnish jobs. There have been times when property was offered free to a company to locate here. A survey was made to find labor. The Chamber of Commerce even employed a person to canvas the area for workers. A list was presented and the company came to check it out. They found there just was no labor market. They located elsewhere. When the Chamber of Commerce maintained an office there were many efforts made through a number of agencies to get business to locate here. It was always the same. The fact is that even family businesses have a difficult time staying open. There are few businesses looking for location in a county the size of Kinney County. The only solution to getting businesses is to find ones requiring small contingents of workers. Elected officials can work hard to draw businesses here but chances are from slim to none they will be successful simply because there is a highly vocal contingent that has always opposed any business coming into the county.

Until enough of the people raise their voices to discredit the negativists there is little point in trying to entice new business.

Our Income Tax System-Out of the Past into the Present

by Richard Hirsch

About 120 years ago, after the American Civil War, our Congress legislated into law a form of income tax for the purpose of reducing a huge national debt, and to finance reconstruction of a devastated nation. The tax served its purpose nicely and it was repealed after a time.

Unfortunately, the congress didn't forget how well the tax paid off earlier. In 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt came out for enactment of a new income tax law. His proposal failed to win congressional approval. Likewise, his successor, President William Howard Taft, could not create such a tax. It was under President Woodrow Wilson, a Democrat, in February 1913, that the Sixteenth Amendment to the constitution was ratified, to authorize imposition of a federal income tax. The following October, the Underwood Tariff Act was legislated to provide the graduated tax on personal income we know.

Since that time, Congress has played a political game of football with our income tax laws, with end-runs, penalties, time-outs, and other deceptive practices, to take the sting out of creeping taxation. Truly, a game of "give and take" has prevailed, giving up onerous provisions to win public support while taking back what was given earlier as timely tax relief.

By 1921, the progressive income tax system had allowed a top income tax rate of 73 percent for the wealthy. President Warren G. Harding, elected in 1920, under persuasion by his Secretary of the Treasury, Andrew Mellon, urged reduction of the tax rate on the rich and Congress subsequently passed the Revenue Act of 1921 to lower the top rate to 50 percent (three years later Congress lowered it again to 40 percent), and also to reduce taxes significantly on lower incomes. Much of our income tax law today is based on the 1921 Revenue Act.

World War II sharply increased federal spending. Under President Franklin D. Roosevelt, during 1941-45, the federal government spent

twice as much money as it had in its entire previous history. Heavy borrowing inflated our national debt, and for a time the top income tax rate zoomed to 94 percent.

During the 50's, 60's, and 70's inflationary pressures brought increases in wages and salaries, causing taxes to increase for many as higher incomes pushed them into higher tax brackets. Worse than that, government spending increased ahead of tax revenue, and our national debt increased even more to where heavier borrowing pushed up interest rates. A vicious cycle which threatens us again!

In the 80's, under the administration of President Ronald Reagan, a new economic policy evolved as "Reagonomics" to bring new changes. Cutting taxes was his first priority. He persuaded Congress to lower income taxes by 25 percent in three years. Sadly, his ability to reduce federal spending fell far short of the mark. Our national debt continued into the stratosphere.

In 1986, we witnessed the last major revision by Congress of our income tax laws. The Revenue Act of 1986 lowered the top tax rate to 27 percent and raised the no-tax threshold for lower income with a provision for redistribution of wealth to those earning less than \$19,340 (for 1989) with at least one dependent child, called the Earned Tax Credit. How it can be called "earned" is hard to understand; pure and simple, it is a repayment of taxes paid by those with higher incomes to those with lower income.

Seemingly, this legislation gave everyone-the poor, the middle-income, and the rich, a huge tax break. In reality, it essentially reshuffled the tax burden, as it took away most of the effective tax reduction benefits of the previous law. It was another demonstration of the deceptive give and take by our law-makers in Washington.

Today, with our national debt standing at an astronomical historic high, we dare not hope for lower taxes any time soon. Rather, they are

more likely to increase, in one form or another, as we move into the 90's. Taxpayers must demand less benefits from Congress, and even more, demand reduced spending of tax revenues. We must put apathy aside and vote our convictions from the county to the national level. We must elect those who will fight to reverse uncontrolled spending that will surely bring higher taxation. Our economic survival as an industrial

power depends on it-our vote and our voice for fiscal responsibility must be heard.

Next week, we will review how our Social Security system came about and how these two taxes imposed by Congress impact on our financial situation. This will be followed by a discussion of our compliance with tax laws as they affect us here in Brackettville. Hasta la vista, caiman!

In taking water from the aquifer it didn't use up the source as an irrigation pump. A pump can bring to the surface one thousand gallons per minute while a windmill takes about one gallon of water per minute.

Usually on the big cattle ranches there were windmills and a windmill man who took care of them, repairing them and his job was to keep them running. Some ranches had fifty or more windmills, which were not expensive to keep running. The government hadn't found a way to tax them, which made them even more popular.

Had we not developed steam power, or the gasoline engine or had not electricity come along we might still be using a sophisticated form of the windmill.

Beyond The Horizon

by Dorthy Payne

In the 1870's and 1880's the southwest depended on the windmill for water. We didn't invent the windmill, it has been around for several hundred years in Europe, but we improved on its use. We made it portable and more efficient, and manufactured it at a reasonable price.

In Europe the windmill was used to furnish power for flour mills. Sometimes its large arms would measure fifty foot from tip to tip. They were so large the miller often lived in the bottom level. Holland used them to move water into canals, because there was too much water.

After the civil war the need for windmills grew, especially in the cattle country of the southwest where there was very little surface water.

The windmill of the southwest was a simple machine. Because it was slow

Speaker Announced

Richard A. Thompson, author of "Crossing the Border with the 4th Cavalry", a book recounting the story of Gen. Mackenzie's raid into Mexico in 1873, returns to Fort Clark to relate the story of Gen. John J. (Blackjack) Pershing's punitive raid into Mexico in 1916 seeking to punish Pancho Villa for his raid on Columbus, New Mexico. Mr. Thompson will speak at the Sabre Room, Fort Clark at 10:00 a.m.

Library News

by Marjorie Moore

Your Kinney County Public Library has a most interesting, attractive, and informative display celebrating Black Heritage Month. In addition to pictures of black achievers of distinction and Fort Clark's Negro Seminole Indian Scouts, there are clippings, magazine articles, and Certificates of Honor you will enjoy. Our thanks go to Mrs. Charles Wilson, who loaned and arranged this material for your pleasure.

We were honored to have a visit last week from Martha Cox, Automation Consultant with the Texas Library System. She was here to assist our Librarian Irma Perez with helpful information regarding circulation of video tapes and other matters. While here she also conferred with Volunteer Walter Moore, who is setting up a bookkeeping and records-keeping system for the Library's computer system.

On the 16th of each month, your Library receives a new set of loan videos from the San Antonio Lib-

rary. Videos now available until March 16th, to be checked out free for one night, include "Dresser" with Albert Finney (1983), "Grass is Greener" with Cary Grant (1980), "Damn Yankees" with Gwen Verdon (1958), "Melvin and Howard" with Natalie Wood and Warren Beatty (1961), "Dragon Slayer" with Caitlin Clarke (1981), "Man Who Shot Liberty Valence" with John Wayne and James Stewart (1962), "Comancheros" with John Wayne and Lee Marvin (1961), National Geographic's "Secrets of the Titanic" (1986), and Travel Abroad, a documentary. There are numerous other videos, also, including "Toby and the Koala Bear," Shari Lewis's "One Minute Bedtime Stories," and others for children.

Thursday and Friday, February 22nd and 23rd County offices, including your Library, are closed in observance of Washington's Birthday. Except for County holidays, your Library is open Monday through Friday, 9-5.

Small Game Harvest Data

AUSTIN-The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's annual Small Game Harvest Survey documents the burgeoning popularity of spring turkey gobbling hunting in both hunter numbers and annual harvest.


The survey, based on a mail survey conducted on a random sample of 15,000 licensed hunters, showed that an estimated 86,228 hunters took 52,935 gobblers during the 1989 spring season. Both figures are the highest of the five years the survey has been conducted, officials said.

Hunting activity for several other species, however, declined during 1988-89, both in hunter-days and harvest. Five-year lows were established for harvest of bobwhite quail, scaled quail, mourning dove, rabbit and squirrel, while a modest gain was seen in the pheasant harvest over the

previous year.

Dry weather conditions in 1988 and early 1989 in most areas of the state caused poor production of quail and other small game, and a resulting drop in hunter participation, officials said. The 1988-89 harvest of slightly more than 1.3 million quail was a five-year low, as was the 198,000 hunters, the average of 6.59 birds per hunter for the season and 2.22 birds per day. Decreased in squirrel harvest rates are believed to be related to poor acorn production in 1988.

The estimated mourning dove harvest of 4,477,500 birds was some 800,000 below the previous year's harvest, and the lowest in five years. Hunter numbers decline to 379,036, also a five-year low.



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 - 27% of all Bills introduced in House passed
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- Issues Facing Texas
 - Ethics Reform
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 - Education Equality
 - Economic Diversification
 - Environmental Concerns

This is my fourth term as your State Representative of District 68. I have enjoyed being your State Representative and working for all the people of this District. It has been a real learning process for me and my family. I have worked very hard, not only for you, but also to gain knowledge, experience, and the respect of my fellow Legislators. I am now serving as Chairman of one of the most powerful committees in the House — Agriculture and Livestock. Because of my position and seniority, I can serve District 68 and Texas better. I will appreciate your vote and support in the March 13 Democratic Primary.

Thank you,
Dudley Harrison

Vote Democratic Primary March 13

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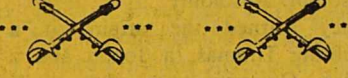




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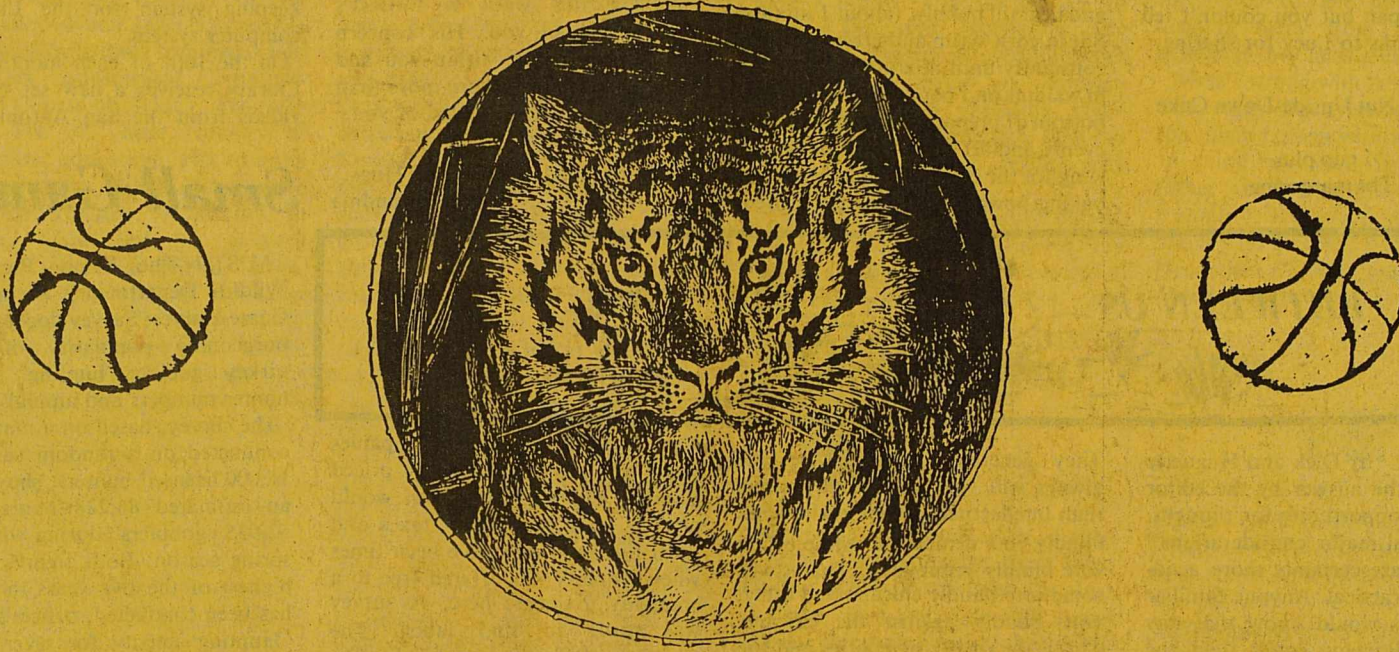
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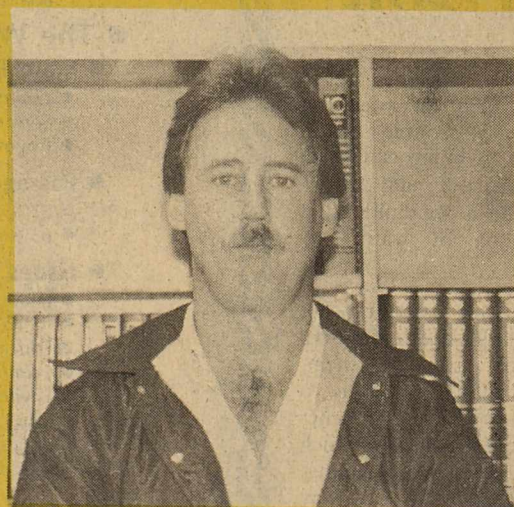
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