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



Joey Pena Graduates

Joey Pena graduated from basic training on November 17, 1995 in Great Lakes, Illinois. Joey is the grandson of his Division #472. Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Pena of Spofford are Joey's proud parents. His sister is Divina. The Pena's and Divina took their first ever plane trip to Great Lakes to see Joey graduate. "It was very exciting," said Mrs. Pena.

Joey spent the holidays with his folks and left on January 1st to go back to Great Lakes for another 22 weeks of schooling. His goal is Gunners Mate.

After graduation from Brackett High School in 1995 Joey enlisted in the Navy. He left for basic training on September 17, 1995.

We are proud of you Joey!

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Hunter's B-B-Q And Dance January 6TH Kinney County Civic Center - Everyone Welcome!!

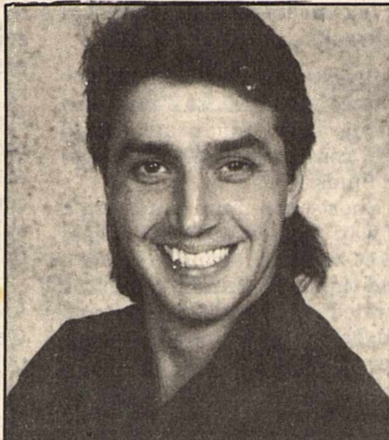
Hepline Hits the Road

We all know Clyde Hepline as one of our local entertainers from Alamo Village and more recently the Las Moras Lounge. Now you will discover, as I have, there is more to Clyde than we ever imagined.

Clyde has just taken on a job as the base player for Kevin Burrel and The Wild Bunch. They will be on tour for two and a half months playing for bookings in, New Mexico, Colorado, Nevada, Dallas and around Texas. Clyde makes good friends everywhere he goes, and two of them; Heath Childs and Brooks Robinson, also with the Wild Bunch told Scott Mendel, Kevin's manager, to call Clyde as a replacement for the base player who quit to play with a very popular Tejano band. Everyone has very high hopes for Kevin Burrel and The Wild Bunch on this tour. The group will also be auditioning for the Rodeo Circuit on January 20, 1996. Ten out of one hundred bands are invited to audition for the Circuit.

Clyde was born in Jacksonville, Florida on April 2, 1965. He took tap dancing lessons and did some modeling as well as playing in a local band, Fura, while in High School. While he was in Florida he attended 2 years of Junior College studying Robotics. It was at this time that Clyde started playing the base for recordings at the Warehouse Studio in Jacksonville. Clyde has done numerous studio recordings with many up and coming recording artists such as: Sergio and Mike Montana at Horizon Studios, San Antonio; Joe Solis with Tex Mex, and Kelly Kenning at Hacienda Studios, Corpus Christi; Penny Ingram at Calaway Productions, Brackettville.

Clyde came to Brackettville in 1989 where he played at Alamo Village, Brackettville and also with Borderline a local country and western band. Then he played for 2 years with Kelly Kenning and The Rocking Horse Riders band doing tours around South Texas. He has played the opening shows for such Country and Western greats as: Conway



Twitty, Lori Morgan, Tracy Lawrence, Doug Stone, Rick Trevino and Sammy Kershaw. In October of 1995 Clyde accompanied Amber Lee while she opened for Radney Foster in the Del Rio Civic Center.

We have known Clyde as the Manager of the Las Moras Lounge, Fort Clark, where he started the ever popular "Starving Artists Night," a Thursday night sing along. Clyde, joined by some local talent such as Wes Robinson, Tim Santos, Bob Champion, Pat Saunders, Richard Slubar and Heath Childs, played all the old time favorites as well as some original material written by "The Gang." It was at the Starving Artists night that Clyde, doing some very good impersonations, won the reputation as Elvis.

Being a writer and composer Clyde is currently working on a studio production for Calaway Productions and a demonstration tape with Kevin Burrel for Diamond Eagle Records. Clyde has written several songs: Daddy's Little Girl, Can I Have a Kiss and (my favorite) The Frog Song, along with many others that will be in the Calaway Production.

We are very proud of Clyde and all of his accomplishments and will be following his career. Also following his career will be Marie Sofaly, as she has done since she found Clyde 5 years ago and her Daddy said she could keep him.

Resolutions For Congress

By Henry Bonilla
23rd District, Texas

At a time when most of us are striving to cut back on spending and balance the budget, there is still one person who refuses to live within her means. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary has spent millions of taxpayers' dollars traveling in opulent style, chartering jets and staying in luxury hotels.

What is just as outrageous is that the White House has continued to support the excessive travels of Secretary O'Leary. The White House has showered her with praise, saying that she has done a superb job as energy secretary. It is amazing that such lavish and exorbitant travel expenditures fit the Clinton administration's definition of "superb."

During her three-year tenure as energy secretary, O'Leary has taken 16 trips to destinations ranging from India to Russia. These travels have been extravagant adventures with expenses ranging from \$560,000 to \$845,000 per trip. Guess who picked up the tab for the Secretary's excursions? That's right...it was us, the American taxpayers.

For example, last August, Ms. O'Leary chartered a jet often used by rock star Madonna for \$415,000. With the 51 Energy Department employees and 68 business executives and academics she took along with her, the total cost for that trip was more than \$560,000.

The Clinton administration defends Secretary O'Leary's behavior

by saying that her trips have created thousands of American jobs and brought billions of dollars in contracts for companies in this country. Vice President Gore even stated that she's done a "fabulous job in reinventing government and eliminating unnecessary spending."

Does the Vice President count \$560,000 trips as "necessary spending?" I imagine that the taxpayers who are financing her first-class travels complete with leather seats and stand-up bars could find a more efficient way to accomplish the Secretary's work.

It is ironic that the President and Vice President are defending his energy secretary's travel habits at the same time that he is on television talking about balancing the budget. This is yet another example of the confusing and conflicting messages often sent by the President.

Secretary O'Leary's goal to bring business to the United States is commendable. Perhaps if she spent a little more time at home helping our domestic oil and gas industry, Secretary O'Leary would see some real improvements in U.S. business. However, she has abused her privileged position by putting comfort above duty. As we work to bring the federal deficit under control, it's time for the Clinton Administration to choose its priorities. Secretary O'Leary should help our domestic businesses, leave her chartered plane at home and get on the balanced budget train.



Pictured above is one of the many nativity scenes displayed in Ann Legg's home.

Nativities

Recently we were invited into Mrs. Ann Legg's home for a peek at her Christmas decorations. To our delight we found an extensive collection of nativity scenes. Ann said she started collecting the scenes in Denver many years ago and, like other collections, people started sending them to her and bringing them home to her from their trips.

Ann now has over 73 nativity scenes on display in her home. Some of these scenes are as little as a nut shell, as a matter of fact, one is in a nut shell. She has nativity scenes from Hawaii, Israel, Italy, Japan, Austria, Australia, Guatemala, sev-

eral from Mexico and some made by our own Native American Indians. These scenes are made of every kind of material; Olive wood from Israel, copper and tin, wood, corn husks, glass, straw, ceramics, porcelain, wax, alabaster, and clay.

Ann said one of her favorites is the one from Hawaii. The figures made of Tapa bark cloth are dressed in native Hawaiian robes. The Mary figure has a halo of tiny white sea shells, Baby Jesus' halo is a small blue sea shell and the star above the stable is a star fish. The entire star fish is only 1" from point to point.

Commissioners Court Meeting

The Kinney County Commissioners Court, with Judge Tommy Seargeant presiding and all 4 commissioners present, convened at 9 A.M. December 28, 1995.

Bills were reviewed and approved for payment, on a motion from Paul O'Rourke second by Freddie Frerich motion passed unanimously.

The court approved two new appraisal district members. Judge Seargeant made a motion with a second from Commissioner Freddie Frerich to appoint Mike Holley to represent precinct 4. Mr. Holley came highly recommended and has served on the Board in Eagle Pass. All 5 of the court voted for the motion. (Appointment) Commissioner Freddie Frerich motioned to appoint Judge Tommy Seargeant as the second representative for the board with a second by Commissioner Joe Montalvo. All 4 commissioners voted for the appointment with Judge Tommy Seargeant abstaining. Judge Seargeant stated the City of Brackettville has no representatives due to insufficient tax revenue with the school district having 3 representatives. "I will do my best to represent all of the county including the citizens of Brackettville fairly", was Judge Seargeant comment.

Commissioner Paul O'Rourke made a motion to purchase Jones Alley, east of Sheedy Street from the City of Brackettville for \$1, motion was seconded by Joe Montalvo. All 4 commissioners voted in favor. Commissioner Cordelia Mendeke welcomed City Secretary David Luna to the meeting and said, hopefully this would lead to better cooperation between City and County government.

At 11:00 2 bids were opened and reviewed for Pinto Creek Crossing. Granting the awards will be postponed until further deliberation. Mr. Charles Troast, grant administrator and Charles Rhode, engineer, will review the bids and have a recommenda-

tions for the January 8th meeting of Commissioner Court.

Bids were from: A & E Construction, Inc., San Antonio - \$102,234.38, with use of onsite materials - \$92,234.58 and K-Bar Service, Pleasanton \$87,370. K-Bar Service said they could possibly cut their bid also by using on site material.

The amount left in the grant for the crossing is \$70,000.

After lengthy discussion Judge Seargeant made a motion to acquire on lease purchase plan 2 vehicles from Graf & Barton Ford of Del Rio for the Sheriff's Department the department's two 1991 vehicles need extensive work and the 1989 vehicle

is in need of major repairs. Due to no second, the motion failed. Commissioner Cordelia Mendeke said that she would talk to the three employees who attended grant writing school for the county to seek grants to aid in the Lease Purchase Plan of new vehicles for the Sheriff's department.

Sheriff Buddy Burgess requested payments for Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter in lue of time for his vacation. Sheriff Burgess also asked for permission to hire another jailer through the JTPA system, due to the fact that the state requires a certain ratio of jailers to prisoners for federal prisoner housing.

Commissioner Paul O'Rourke motioned to accept standard bond for Sheriff Buddy Burgess, seconded by Commissioner Cordelia Mendeke. All 5 of the court voted in favor.

Commissioner Paul O'Rourke made a motion with a second from Joe Montalvo to allow County Attorney Tully Shahan's secretary Sue Castro to work part time for the Sheriff's department as well as her regular County Attorney duties. All 4 commissioners voted in favor.

The court recessed its regular meeting and entered into executive session.

Kinney County Livestock Show January 19-20, 1996

1. Any youth 19 and under, residing in Kinney County and/or attending Brackettville Schools is eligible to enter the Kinney County Project Show in the Youth Division. The ages are divided in the following manner:

- Under School Age
- Pre-K & Kinder
- Grades 1 & 2
- Grades 3, 4, & 5
- Grades 6, 7, & 8
- Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12
- Adult

2. Any adult over 19 years of age, residing in Kinney County is eligible to enter the project show.

3. Exhibitors in the youth division must be under the direct supervision of the vocational agricultural teacher, vocational home economics teacher, county extension agent, a classroom teacher or parent. The exhibitors entry form must be signed by the respective supervisor.

4. Exhibitors in the adult division may pick up entry forms at the Adult Center, Library, Jean's. Entry forms should accompany project when submitted.

5. Youth Divisions - Entries in writing must be submitted to the county extension agent - 563-2442, classroom teacher, vocational agricultural teacher, vocational home economics teacher.

6. There will be a limit of 5 entries for all exhibitors.

7. Youth exhibitors will receive either a blue, red or white ribbon, based on judges opinion. Adult exhibitors will receive 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place ribbons in each class. There will also be a best of show plaque in the Adult Division.

8. The project show will be at the Kinney County Civic Center on January 19. Only school entries will be accepted Thursday, January 19, after 3:30 p.m.

9. Food and adult entries should be brought on Friday, January 19, before 9:00 a.m.

10. Judging will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m.

11. Viewing of exhibits will be at 11:00 a.m.

12. Exhibits will remain on display under supervision on the 19th. Exhibits MUST be removed from the building between the hours of 5 and 6 p.m. on the 19th. The area must be cleared for the barbecue the next day. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Division I Foods

Classes:

- 1. cakes
- 2. decorated cakes
- 3. yeast breads
- 4. quick breads
- 5. 1 crust pies
- 6. 2 crust pies

- 7. jellies
- 8. jams & marmalades
- 9. pickles & relishes
- 10. candy
- 11. cookies
- 12. meat dishes

Division II Needle Work

Classes:

- 1. crocheting
- 2. hand embroidery
- 3. knitting
- 4. needlepoint
- 5. hand quilting

- 6. machine used needlework
- 7. weaving
- 8. crewel
- 9. counted cross stitch
- 10. miscellaneous

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Letter to the Editor

Well after a six year fight Texcor is on the scene again under another unassuming name "Rio Grande Regional Municipal Solid Waste Land Fill".

The landfill site is 424 acres, 213 acres are for the landfill. Projected life of the landfill is 64 years.

Transportation access along Hwy 131 for trucks and the use of the railroad. This will block both crossings if there is an emergency South of the railroad track.

Watch for the date of the very important Public Hearing at the Civic Center in Brackettville. Date, Time and Place will be published in The Brackett News stand up and be counted.

by the York Estate? Folks think about it. Who stands to prosper by the dump? Not Kinney County because we will have all the contamination and clean-up.

Texcor claims they spent 10 million dollars on their fight against us. Let me assure you that they cannot get a return of their investment from a regional landfill.

We are not against a landfill but we are against industrial and special waste. We are also against waste coming from all over the United States and Mexico.

After reading all the facts about the three types of waste and you oppose this type of dump - call your local officials, your governor, senator or state representative or any one who might help us in the fight against this waste dump.

If you wish a copy of the facts of the proposed landfill please call or write Tootsie Herndon 1-210-563-2046 or P.O. Box 8 Brackettville, Tx. 78832.

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Thank You

I would like to thank the people who prayed, sent cards, phone calls and visited me while I was in the hospital. Have A Happy New Year. May God Bless You

Dear Newspaper, Thank you for putting my ad in the paper. Blankets is back because of my ad.

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(NAPS)—To maximize profits, smart investors stay informed and anticipate trends—such as the effect proposed tax reforms might have on investment returns.

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Between Us

By Joe Townsend

I do not expect everyone to believe what I write. After all they have the right to be wrong. I do however expect that what I write is factually true.

I received a call this week from Dick Wise, director of the F.B.I. for this area. He pointed out that in two columns on the Hooten saga I had mentioned that the F.B.I. participated in the raid.

So that all may know, there follows a list of the raiders: Captain Gene Hawkins D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Austin; Mike McLaughlin, Lt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Austin; Rosanna Church, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Austin; Ken Dittlinger, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Austin; Mark Riordan, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Austin; Manny Alaniz, Lt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, San Antonio; Rick McCracken, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, San Antonio; Larry Anderson, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, San Antonio; Robert Klaus, Sgt. D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Temple; Bill Haynes, D.P.S. Criminal Intelligence, Del Rio; Charles Woods, Sgt. D.P.S. MVTS, Del Rio; Jose Morales Sgt. D.P.S. MVTS, San Antonio; Charles Williams, Lt. D.P.S. Narcotics, Del Rio; Jimmy Granata, Sgt D.P.S. Narcotics, Del Rio; Mike Gulledge, Sgt. D.P.S. Narcotics, Del Rio; Sam Wil-

liams, U.S. Marshal's Service, San Antonio; David Sligh, U.S. Marshal's Service, San Antonio; Gene Powell, Capt. Texas Rangers, Midland; John Allen, Sgt. Texas Rangers, Del Rio; Coy Smith, Sgt. Texas Rangers, Uvalde; Rocky Wardlaw, Sgt. Texas Rangers, Austin; Liz Chapman, Inv. I.R.S., Austin; Sharon Holbrook, Inv. I.R.S., Austin; and Jackie Freeman, U.S. Dept. Agriculture, Austin.

A review of the personnel is revealing regarding the psyche of "law enforcement" agencies. Keeping in mind that the law demands a sworn affidavit of probable cause to secure a search warrant. This raises big questions. What was the probable cause for an agent of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to be sent from Austin? What was the probable cause leading to two women investigators from Internal Revenue Service to come from Austin?

What law justifies Rosanna Church in forcing a deputy sheriff to take off his gun? What law justifies this agent, directing the raid on the Sheriff's home to deny the deputy's entrance to the house to observe what was taken? At her direction, why did she direct things to be taken not even remotely connected to search warrants? I mean for example, family pictures of his children when they were small and boxes of things not called for in the search warrant.

When two agents can execute a search warrant of the residence of O.J. Simpson why does it require 24 agents to raid and promiscuously carry off volumes of materials having no bearing on the case?

Norman Hooten was as good a sheriff as there was in Texas. The D.P.S., because of local politics, saw an opportunity to flex their muscles and destroy the remarkable career and put one of their own in his place.

The D.P.S. has side tracked its major responsibility of Highway Safety and under the plea of needing more money for highway safety the agency has wheeled mega bucks from the pockets of tax payers to want to take over law enforcement throughout the state.

The only way to bring the D.P.S. back to its major responsibility is to cut off the dollars that allows the department and a few miscreant agents to corrupt true law enforcement and make a mockery of the law.

I must say before closing this, with exception of one or two of the raiders here, these are people just doing their job. They were here because their superiors ordered them here. By and large they are all persons of integrity. The problem is with the directors of the agencies. Until the wings of the directors are clipped or they are replaced by men of integrity we can expect this sort of reprehensible conduct to continue.

Indeed, there is nearby a like raid by 42 agents many in camouflage. This happened because he raises "pit bull" dogs and dared to testify on Hooten's defense. I hope it doesn't take another "Ruby Ridge" or "Waco" debacle before the people of the state wake up and clean house.

Survey Shows That Poor, Less-Educated And Uninsured Also Are Least Active

A newly released Texas Department of Health (TDH) report has found that Texans are no more physically active than are the average citizens of the rest of the U.S.

The month-to-month telephone survey, collected through the TDH's Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), revealed four, main characteristics of sedentary lifestyles among the Texas population: older than 65, less than a high school education, annual income lower than \$15,000 and a lack of health insurance.

Inadequate physical activity is a significant factor among Texans age 65 and older. About 67 percent of survey respondents who were at least 65 years old were sedentary, compared to 51 percent of respondents 18 to 24 years old.

Adult Texans with the least education (less than a high school education) tend to be less active than those with higher educations. Some 69 percent of survey respondents with less than high school attainment lived sedentary lives, compared to 45 percent of respondents who were college graduates.

Physical activity among the respondents was less among those with lower than \$15,000 yearly household income than among respondents earning more than \$35,000 annually. About

69 percent of Texans in the lower-income level were sedentary, compared to 46 percent in the higher income level.

Lack of adequate physical activity was higher among people who had no health insurance. Some 71 percent of uninsured Texans lived sedentary lifestyles, compared to 53 of those who had insurance coverage.

Dr. Phillip Huang, Chief of the TDH Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, said, "The BRFSS findings on inactive or low-activity lifestyles may point to some major factors influencing health and welfare cost in this state."

He explained, "A sedentary lifestyle is one of the major causes, along with smoking and improper nutrition, of heart disease, the leading cause of death in Texas."

Dr. Huang added, "The large proportion of poor, elderly, lesser-educated and uninsured Texans who are at increased risk of heart disease pose a huge challenge for our health care programs. An important fact is that lack of adequate physical activity to maintain better health is a preventable condition. Both state and local health authorities must direct more resources to encourage physical activity among all segments of the Texas population, but especially among these segments that are most prone to sedentary lifestyles."

He added, "the best and most cost-effective means of health care are programs that lead to prevention of disease and injury. And prevention requires health education and promotion of healthful habits."

From Your Local Game Warden

By Henry J. Lutz Kinney County, Game Warden

Happy New Year to everyone and hope that this year will be even better than the last for you. December was an extremely busy month with 18 cases filed with the local courts. The charges range from possessing an untaged deer and killing over the limit of bucks to killing deer at night and hunting from a public road.

A couple of these cases were made because landowner or concerned citizen called me when they saw or heard something that made them believe someone might be poaching. The biggest help was that they contacted me immediately and gave accurate and detailed information. Things such as an accurate location, vehicle description including license plate number, number of occupants, clothing descriptions, and which way the vehicle or persons went, all helps to track

down a poacher. But the key is to call immediately with any information. Sometimes when you see something you think is poaching or trespassing or road hunting, and it is not reported until later in the day or next week, it makes it harder to follow up or track down these persons or vehicles.

The deer season is beginning to wind down. It ends North of Highway 90 on January 7, except for anyone who has a muzzleloader and wants to hunt the Muzzleloader Antlerless Only Season from January 13-21. On the South side of Highway 90, the general season ends on January 21. There is a Special Antlerless Only Season which runs from January 22 - February 4. Seems like the season gets longer every year.

For you dove hunters, yes, there is a short season going on right now! It started on December 26 on both sides of the Highway and ends on January 7 North of Highway 90 and on January 9 on the South side of Highway 90. Bag and possession limits are the same as they were during the regular season: 15 doves total, of which no more than 6 of those can be whitewing doves.

Happy Hunting and Happy New Year!

FLOWERS

(NAPS)—While millions may watch flowered floats in the New Year's Day Tournament of Roses Parade, many may not know just how rich the language of flowers can be. Here, from the experts at FTD, whose whimsical float Tea with Friends is dazzlingly recreated in flowers, is a brief dictionary of the heart (in flowers, of course):

- A carnation means joy
A crocus means gladness
Daffodils mean respect
A daisy means innocence
Heather means admiration
An iris means promise
A lily means devotion
An orchid means wisdom
A red rose means passion
A rose means love
A tiger lily means prosperity
A tulip means luck
A yellow lily means gratitude
The flowering on the FTD float,

which is 28 feet high and 55 feet long, is a whimsical caterpillar of orchid carnations and Madam Pompadour dendrobium florets which has been craftfully accented with yellow button chrysanthemums. The White Rabbit comes to life with fur of white carnations and shredded coconut flakes.

The theme of the 107th Rose Parade is Kids, Laughter and Dreams. The FTD float theme is quite aptly Tea with Friends. This is the company's 42nd consecutive year participating in the parade—the longest of any participant. Interestingly, Cassie Wagner Colley, 11, will ride the float, precisely 25 years after her mother, Jan Sheffield Colley, rode an FTD float for having starred in the film Through The Eyes of A Child, which won an award from the Rose Parade as the best film ever made on the building of a float.

Big Mama Sez! The trouble with the unexpected is that it always happens when you least expect it.

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

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(NAPS)—To find out about recycling, call the National Recycling Coalition at (703) 683-9025. To find the nearest Sally Beauty Supply store call 1-800-284-SALLY. For information on plastic carrier ring recycling, call ITW Hi-Cone at 708-773-9330, ext. 732. For information on corrugated box recycling, call Advanced Recyclers, Inland Container Corporation at 1-800-879-9777.

To learn how you can contribute to World Vision's efforts to bring happy holidays to poor children all over the world, Call 1-800-423-4200. To find the nearest dealer in Department 56 gifts call 1-800-LIT-TOWN (1-800-548-8696). For information on Charco Caps digestive aids, call 1-800-321-1085 or write to Requa Inc., P. O. Box 4008, Greenwich, Ct., 06830.

County Agent News

by Alan L. McWilliams



Plant Pecan Trees Properly

Most of us are not thinking about planting and growing plants right now, especially with the cold snap we just experienced, but now is the time to plan ahead and be thinking about planting your pecan trees that you have been wanting to add to your home landscape.

One of the keys to growing pecans, whether in the backyard or in a commercial orchard, is to plant the trees properly so that they get off to a good start. Tree planting time is at hand — January and early February are the best times — and here are a few guidelines to go by when planting.

To begin, select a tree 4 to 8 feet tall as soon as nurseries get their supplies. Plant as soon as possible, using care not to let roots dry out or freeze. Dig the hole only as large as the tree's root system. If the hole is too deep, the tree will settle and this can cause poor growth or death.

The taproot should sit in the bottom of the hole. If the hole cannot be as deep as the length of the roots, cut back the taproot to fit the hole. Pack original soil around the roots as tightly as possible. Packing the soil in 2 to 3-inch layers is better than watering to pack the soil. Use adjacent soil to complete filling the hole, not light soil, sand or potting soil. The tree can drown in rainy weather if light fill soil is used on clay type soils.

Plant the tree at the same depth it grew in the nursery row. Look at the colors to determine the soil line: the bark is gray and the root is dark brown. Cut off the top half of the tree at planting to balance the stem and roots and to force growth close to the soil line.

Wrap the lower 18 inches of the trunk with aluminum foil to prevent side shoots, sun scald and rabbit damage. On large plantings, use a mixture of white latex paint and water (one part paint to three parts water).

Build a basin around the tree to hold water and give each tree five gallons of water immediately after planting. Make sure tree do not go longer than 14 days without water. Basins work well on brand new trees but should be leveled after trees have become established.

These are some basic steps in planting pecan trees that can lead the way in getting them into production in a few years. We have some excellent publications dealing with pecan varieties and care in the Extension office.

The 41st annual Kinney County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show, which takes place at the Kinney County Civic Center, is scheduled for January 19-20, 1996. This year there will be about 65 members exhibiting livestock representing the 4-H and FFA organizations in Brackettville.

Friday, January 19, 1996

8:00 - 12:00 noon Weigh-in of all animals (west side)
8:00 A.M. Project Show (east side)
1:30 P.M. Angora Goat Classes
3:30 P.M. Meat Goat Classes
5:30 P.M. Rabbit Classes

7:30 P.M. Swine Classes
Saturday, January 20, 1996
8:30 A.M. Market Lamb Classes
10:30 A.M. Finewool Ewe Lamb Classes
12:00 noon Buyers' Barbecue Lunch
1:30 P.M. Stock Show Awards Presentations
2:00 P.M. Junior Livestock Show Premium Sale

The lunch will be catered by Haby's BBQ of Uvalde and will be available for those wishing to purchase a plate. The public is welcomed to attend and eat lunch prior to the awards and premium sale.

As a reminder, our premium sale will be handled exactly the same as it was last year — buyers will bid a premium amount only and will not own the animal. The exhibitors will keep their placing animals.

The 4-H and FFA members and their families would like to express their appreciation for the public support they receive each year from the Brackettville community as well as both the Del Rio and Uvalde businesses and individual contributors.

GOOD BYE BETTY

This past week we learned that a good friend had completed her tour on this earth. She made the most out of her visit, touching all of us in some way changing our lives forever. This little lady was a giant among the ones lucky enough to have known her. She had a quick smile that could soften the hardest feelings. She was lively and active, even though suffering with a horrible painful ailment.

Betty's gift to us was not only in giving to us, but also in allowing those around her the privilege to give back some of the kindness. Friends cooked her meals every day for weeks and delivered them to her. When you have someone who is ill, you feel so helpless and anything that you are able

to do for that friend eases the helpless feeling a little. Gracious giving and taking are both precious acts.

Betty left us, to be with her children, just a few weeks ago. Her friends, knowing that she would not be back, gave a party for her. It was a living memorial service, a chance to send roses while the person they are for still bloomed. What a wonderful chance this party was to let all of her friends say, "You have changed my life forever by being you, thank you."

Maybe you know Betty, by another name. Take the time given to you with them; it will be among your most prized possessions.

Fort Clark Art Club

The Fort Clark Art Club will hold a workshop this Friday and Saturday, the fifth and sixth of January. Del Rio's Jerry Stone, artist and teacher, will be the presenter. It begins at 9 A.M. each day and will end in mid-afternoon. For information about the workshop, please call 563-9452.

A beginners workshop, "Basic Drawing", will be held on Wednesday, January 17th from 9:00 A.M. to mid-afternoon. Frances McMaster will be the instructor. Charcoal on newsprint will be used. If you are interested in learning to draw, or sharpening your drawing skills. You should profit from and enjoy this workshop.

You may sign up for "Basic Drawing" at the Fort Clark art studio or call 563-9452. A fee for the day will be \$10.00.

The Art Club will have its postponed Christmas party on Tuesday evening, January 9th, at 6:00 P.M., at the home of Hazel Ivey, 25 Crockett Road. A short business meeting will be held. Members will bring a covered dish and a present priced under \$5.00.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



A fine lady moved to this area some years ago with her husband. She has worked in various places, always doing better than good. She is capable and dedicated to any task she commits herself to. She is warm hearted and friendly. It was a banner day when she came to our community. She is a great help to anyone in need, because she has a compassionate heart.

Surely Sandy Herman is an Unsung Hero.

Laureate Epsilon Iota

The Laureate Epsilon Iota Christmas party was held in the home of Orlean Riley. Before opening presents from Secret Sisters, all members talked via telephone to Mildred Borden who was in Houston with her hospitalized mother. Love and best wishes were expressed to Mildred and her mother.

After the beautiful Sister gifts were opened, games were played for other gifts. Cookies were brought for presentation to the Nutrition Center.

Cake and coffee was enjoyed by Oleta Townsend, Nakai Breen, Walela Gum, Lily Schwandner, Gloria Burroughs, Hawkins Huey, Betty Schlatterer, a guest Jean Summers and the hostess, Orlean Riley.



The baboon's lifespan may reach 45 years.

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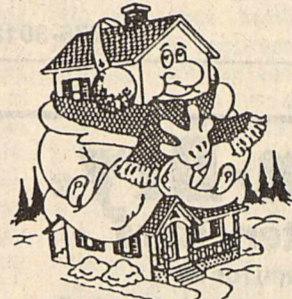
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New & Old

Always or at least for as long as I remember there have been these few remaining days of every year that drag along as if to give me time to reflect. Those of you who have loyally followed me know that it doesn't need to be the end of the old year in order for me to do a little reflecting. Reflecting doesn't hurt but some of the things I reflect on could. I'd rather, this year, not put those kinds of things in a public article. Lot's of times I do though and that's because in doing it I can let you in on the truth that all of us are just a little bit alike and have some of the same kinds of feelings along with some of the same kinds of hurts and even some of the same kinds of reactions towards those hurts. I feel that may be one of the main reasons for writing at all.

The winter also comes at the end of the year bringing with it the short days and the dark long nights. Be the light to someone by being light-hearted and positive throughout these days! Now that's a serious command. I suggest it because I know what it is I need much of the time in the winter. Many people have really helped

me stay in the light while my natural tendency is sliding towards the dark and down. I am thankful after a dreary spell of wet and cloudy weather for Central Texas winter sunshine. It seems the sweetest and upliftingest of all weathers to me. I am made glad by the thousands of robins that forage upon the ground kicking the leaves to find morsels to eat. I am thrilled at the coots upon the lake squalling about their community problems with the bother of invading red-head ducks. Ranger whimpers for me to free him for just a ten minute chase from which he returns with such wiggling joy for a pat and food.

That the old year fades into the new is not as special as what we can see everyday if we just don't stay in the dark. Blink and rub the sleep from your eyes and plan to go and see what has changed in the night. Always there is some simple morsel left that even the robins haven't turned up and there in lies the truth that makes continuing an adventure instead of a chore.

Happy New Year /s/ Michael Moncus

Del Rio Council for the Arts

Three fabulous Firehouse Flings to the Majestic Theatre in San Antonio are planned by the Del Rio Council for the Arts for spring and summer. Set for Saturday, February 24, Tommy Tune's all-new production of GREASE comes direct from a sold-out run on Broadway. One of Broadway's longest running musicals, GREASE gives you a hilarious, tune-fu look at what it was like growing up in the super-cool 50's with the craziest gang of high school students you'll ever meet!

The March 30 Firehouse Fling will be to see AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' starring the Pointer Sisters, currently celebrating their 20th anniversary as multi-platinum recording artists. AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' brings to life the music of Fats Waller. The Tony award-winning musical is directed by Arthur Faria, the show's original choreographer.

America's favorite musical, Andrew Lloyd Webber's "purr-fectly" wonderful CATS will be the destination for the third Firehouse Fling set for June 15. You will definitely treasure your "Memories" of this T. S. Eliot adaptation.

All performances are 2:00 p.m. matinees with departure by chartered Kerrville bus planned for 8:30 a.m. Only 45 seats are available for each Firehouse Fling with a minimum of 25 reservations required for the Fling to take place. Dinners at San Antonio's finest restaurants are planned to make these Firehouse Flings even more memorable.

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Brackettville Rotary Club

Margaret Haenn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haenn, spoke to Rotary Thursday, December 27. She is a member of the class of 1999 at West Point. Margaret had wanted to attend West Point since she was a small child, but found this wasn't an easy goal to achieve. She became 22 on the first of July, 1995 when she entered. This happened to be the last possible date before becoming over the required age for acceptance.

West Point was the only active post remaining after the Revolutionary War in 1802. Its purpose is to provide leaders of character who are trained in defense of the country. Duty, honor, and love of country are stressed. Focus on the physical aspect of the military is taught along with the importance of integrity and selfless service. West Point concentrates on the moral and ethical development of its students.

Fifteen percent of Margaret's class is made up of women. This is the highest percentage since women have been allowed to attend West Point.

Margaret went to a preparatory school for West Point, and the prep school class arrived on the West Point campus a little ahead of the regular class. She showed some slides of the campus and students. One was of the cadets marching. She noted that West

Point was the only military academy that marched its cadets the first day. During the year, two formations a day are met, but the cadets don't march to class as they once did.

On graduation day, Margaret will receive an Army commission. A six year service commitment is also incurred.

As Margaret spoke, members were impressed with her bearing, already a mark of her training, and with her organized, well delivered presentation.

We can't report on Margaret's program without commenting on her appearance and realize this sounds like a quick conversion to fashion commentary. (If a woman's role in the military were commonplace, perhaps we wouldn't feel this need.) She wore her handsome dress uniform of white slacks and a gray jacket with gold buttons and dark braid. Her dark hair was pulled back neatly into a bun. In answer to a question from the audience, she said the only jewelry women are allowed to wear are small earrings of diamonds or pearls and one ring on each hand. Margaret looked crisp, neat and dedicated to her role. Uniforms are attractive whether those who wear them are male or female. And we have to add: Margaret looked wonderful in hers.

Val Verde-Kinney County Farm Service Agency

The Agriculture Department will conduct a nationwide sheep referendum on February 6, 1996 to determine whether sheep producers, sheep feeders, and importers of sheep and sheep products approve the sheep and wool promotion, research, education and information order. If the order is approved by those producers, feeders and importers voting in the referendum, the order would become effective, and assessments would be collected on domestic and imported sheep products.

USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service will conduct the referendum in cooperation with the Extension Service and the Farm Service Agency.

Registration and voting will be held at the Extension Service County Offices located in the Kinney County Courthouse. Absentee ballots will be available from January 16 through January 26, 1996. A request for an absentee ballot must be made in writing from the County Extension Ser-

vice serving the county in which the voting entity is located. The Farm Service Agency will determine eligibility of challenged voters, count ballots and report referendum results.

All producers, feeders and importers who certify that they were engaged in sheep production, sheep feeding or importation of sheep or sheep products between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1994 will be eligible to vote in the referendum.

The order may be approved by either a simple majority of those voting or by voters who account for two-thirds of the number of sheep represented by these voting. The initial domestic assessment rate would be 1 cent per pound on live sheep sold and 2 cents per pound on greasy wool sold. The assessment vote on imported sheep or sheep equivalents would be 1 cent per pound with a cents per pound assessment on decreased wool or wool products except that imported raw wool is exempt from assessment.

Kinney County Public Library

Happy New Year 1996! We hope you all enjoyed your holidays. We are ready to face the New Year, especially with our new counter for our physically challenged patrons and our new work station for our little people.

We are also ready to begin ordering new books for our library and we would love to have your opinion on which books to order. Please feel free to let us know what books you would like for us to update or purchase for our library.

The Literacy Program will be starting another class at the end of January please pass the word.

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Ladies Luncheon

Well known area writer Jane Alexander Knapik of Uvalde will be doing a book review at the Fort Clark Springs Monthly Ladies Luncheon on Wednesday, January 10, 1996.

Jane will be reviewing "True Women", a novel about Texas by Janice Woods Windle. Author Annie Rivers Siddons calls it "a great windstorm of a novel. TRUE WOMEN is an American original". Fannie Flagg, author of *Fried Green Tomatoes*, says "TRUE WOMEN represents a part of our country's history ignored and long overdue for recognition. At last, we can read about the real pioneers and 'their husbands' for a change".

A sixth generation Texan, Jane is a published author as well as doing feature writing for the Uvalde Leader News.

Those planning to attend need to register at the Fort Clark Springs Adult Center (563-2420).

Hospital Forms Partnership With Methodist Healthcare System

The Val Verde County Hospital District has signed a three-year contract with Methodist Healthcare System of San Antonio for hospital management services. The contract became effective October 1, 1995. The hospital had previously been under management contract with the Memorial Healthcare System in Houston.

Under the agreement, the locally elected Board of Directors of the Hospital District maintain control and responsibility for healthcare services delivered in the hospital. The Methodist Healthcare System provides management support for operations and planning. Scott D. Evans continues to serve as the hospital administrator, but is now employed by Methodist. The organizational structure of this relationship will be transparent to the public.

The rapid changes in healthcare delivery and the complexity of managing hospitals make it very difficult for stand alone hospitals to survive, particularly in rural communities. This is evidenced by the large number of rural community hospitals which have closed in Texas during the last decade, and by the many hospital mergers which are now taking place across the U.S. According to Walter Block, Chairman of the Hospital District Board of Directors, the Board feels that a management contract with a major hospital system "improves the continuity of management and assists the Board in making decisions in a complex environment."

Fifty percent of the Methodist Healthcare System is owned by the Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp., the world's largest investor owned hospital chain. Columbia/HCA owns 335 hospitals and 120 outpatient sur-

gery centers in 36 states and two foreign countries. Methodist operates five hospitals in San Antonio as part of the Columbia chain. According to Scott Evans, Administrator of VVMH, access to the "vast purchasing power of Columbia/HCA has already reduced equipment and supply costs for many items in the hospital."

This partnership provides benefits to residents of Val Verde County and to the Methodist Healthcare System. Methodist Hospital has earned its reputation for many years as the high quality provider of hospital services in San Antonio. Through the years, Methodist has served as the primary hospital to which Del Rio residents are referred for highly specialized hospital services. This new formal relationship opens the door for even more of the quality services provided by Methodist to be available to local residents.

Earl Denning, Chief Operating Officer for Methodist, states that "Methodist has long recognized the ties it has had with Val Verde Memorial Hospital through the many patients referred to Methodist by Del Rio physicians. Methodist is now happy for the opportunity to share its medical resources and management experience in an even greater way to better serve the people of Val Verde County."

Dr. Larry O'Brien, Chief of Staff at Val Verde Memorial Hospital, says that "the consultative services and other resources now available through this relationship will provide numerous benefits to physicians and the hospital as they work together to improve the quality and expand the range of medical services available in Del Rio."

DROPPING HOLIDAY POUNDS

Tasty Salad Ideas For Post-Feasting Diets

(NAPS)—Following the feasting of the holidays, many folks might feel a bit stuffed. The scales may even confirm some added pounds. One easy solution to post-holiday weight is a diet that focuses more on produce than on red meats and other fatty foods.

While salads top the list of produce entrees, some people are turned off to the time-consuming chore of rinsing, drying, chopping and later storing lettuce. But salads no longer have to be difficult. Prepackaged salads, such as those from Fresh Express Farms, offer a quick, easy, low-calorie way to enjoy salads and get our physique back in shape.

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Super Crossword

ACROSS	resort	91 Mr. Kierkegaard	3 "Topaz" author	42 Godunov, e.g. author	79 Eight bits
1 Up or down item?	54 Merry month	92 Couple	4 — jongg	43 Sikorsky or Stravinsky	81 Swamp land
6 Trading vote	55 Affirmative	93 Lizard's hangout?	5 Orca's insulation	45 Overturn	82 An Everly brother
10 Deck of destiny	56 — plaisir (willingly)	94 Kind of roof?	6 Dough nut?	46 Rimsky-Korsakov's "— d'Or"	83 Rowboat features
15 Throw	57 Bart or Belle	97 Gnome	7 Region	47 Pound part?	84 Tater
19 Michelangelo work	59 Former New York City Mayor Abe	98 Hem in	8 "— baby, on the treetop ..."	48 Persona	86 Dancer Duncan
20 Word before hand or horse	61 Actress Donahue	99 Practice piece	9 Big bang letters	49 He keeps lions in line	87 Night spot?
21 Honshu metropolis	63 Play on words	100 Corporate VIP	10 Male Manx	50 Looked at	88 Garrison Keillor's network
22 Noun suffix	64 Implored	102 Different	11 Stage whisper	52 Iniquities	89 — Paulo, Brazil
23 Nobelist	65 Rock star known for his physique?	104 German	12 Marathon	56 Unattended	90 More contrite
24 Faction	70 Yarn purchases	106 Cockamamie	13 Word of approval	57 Use an atomizer	93 Tell it like it isn't
25 Basketball rock star?	71 Hydrotherapy site	111 Cockamamie	14 — Mahal	58 "For shame!"	94 Nest noises
27 Mil. base	72 Expatriate	113 "Bon voyage" site	15 Pack of camels?	59 Sire	95 Courtyards
28 Dickens' "House"	73 Lady Windermere's creator	114 "Bon voyage" vessel	16 MacDowell of "Groundhog Day"	60 "Green — and Ham"	96 Enticed
30 Susan of Ethiopia's Selassie	74 Saunter	115 Downhill equipment	17 Actress Gia	61 Oklahoma city	97 Cosmetic purchase
31 It'll give you a lift	76 Suggestion	116 De Valera of Ireland	18 Belief	62 Zhivago's country	98 That's the spirit
33 Dumbfound	77 Solid circle	117 Thompson of "Family"	26 "Butterfield 8" author	64 Goodman or Hill	100 Pretty a poodle
37 — employer	80 — loss for words	118 Where sopranos shine	29 Young boy	65 Japanese dog	101 "— kleine Nachtmusik"
38 "It's a deal!"	81 Conservative skirt	119 "Yo!" at the library	32 Cherokee, for one	66 Put one's feet up	103 Demonstrative pronoun
41 Bunyan's ox	82 Verse, quaintly	120 Singer/acress Della	34 Bulk	67 Copycat	104 Knight's wife
42 Pageant prop	84 Fluctuate	DOWN	35 Pecs' partners	68 Lucy's landlady	105 "Dukes of Hazzard" deputy
44 Rosey of the Rams	85 Rock-star actor?	1 Pres. protectors	36 Zuiider — roller-coaster units	69 Din	106 Actress Russo of "Qulbreak"
45 Presidential rock star?	90 Ready to drop from exhaustion	2 A shake in the grass?	38 14 Down's locale	70 Took a dip	108 Mr. Ziegfeld
51 Inclined plane			39 Black and white	74 Relay length of war	109 — la-la
52 Duel tools			40 Word in a Coleridge title	75 Norse god of war	110 Sixth sense
53 New Mexico				77 Physicist Chamberlain	112 Dundee denial
				78 Told	

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WORDS ENDING WITH "LISH"

J S Q N L J G E C Z X V T H R
P N L J H S I L O O F T S H E
C A Y H A C C O M P L I S H H
W H V T S H R H P N L C L S H
K I S G D I S E C L T K I I S
P B R I U I L I U A Z L X L I
W O U E L S R B L P U I O L L
M L L G L R J L U O I S G E O
E D N I I I B H P B H A B M
Y E X W S S S G U T S A Q M E
P O N L H K H S I L I V E D

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

Abolish	Devilish	Ghoulish	Relish
Accomplish	Dullish	Girlish	Tallish
Bullish	Embellish	Polish	Ticklish
Demolish	English	Publish	

Vision Teaser

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Mung tree is removed. 2. Fee cabinet is taller. 3. Jacket is different. 4. Desk set is added. 5. Business card is smaller. 6. Name is misspelled.

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's party time in the beginning of the week. However, you take some time to reflect on the coming year and come to some fine resolutions. Try to stick to these.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're feeling very introspective now as you take stock of what occurred last year and look forward to this new year. If something is weighing you down, now is the time to eliminate it and start anew.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a time of fresh starts and looking forward rather than dwelling on the past. A close friend is surprisingly philosophical and can help you come to some lasting resolutions.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Romance lights up your New Year celebration. Soon, however, it's time to come back down to earth and tend to tasks at hand. Domestic interests are highlighted, especially over the weekend. Shopping, cleaning and laundry are all part of your agenda.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Feel free to stay home instead of carousing early in the week. You won't regret it and won't feel as if you've missed anything. While those around you nurse their sore heads, you are able to tend to business with a clear mind.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You're faced with a touchy decision early in the week concerning a family matter. Look for outside help on this since you find you don't have all the answers after all. The weekend is good for relaxing and getting in touch with friends from afar.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You're settling into your homey routine and don't really relish the idea of leaving the comfort of hearth and home, whether it's for work or play. Friends are understanding and know this is your time to "hibernate."

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You're being un-

necessarily hard on a loved one now and need to stop being so demanding. This person will respond better if you use a lighter touch. It's a good time for you to assess your own behavior and make some changes in the new year.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You find your routine upset early in the week by one final holiday party and you don't appreciate it. Feel free to turn down this invitation. In the long run, you won't regret making that decision. A child has a surprising question this weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Early in the week, you find yourself locking horns with someone who's being exasperating and stubborn. This clash of wills only results in bad feelings all around. Try to be patient and this situation soon rights itself.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With the holiday hilarity behind you, it's time to concentrate on career interests and serious matters. Ever the social butterfly, you find yourself a bit distracted and need to utilize a lot of willpower to get motivated again.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's not too early in the new year to get out those brochures and start planning your vacation. Make sure you look for something to please the entire family. Children, especially, need your consideration and attention.

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Happy Birthday

Jan. 4 Kevin Cavender	Jan. 7 Juan Manuel Flores
Jan. 4 Inga Haglund	Jan. 7 Michael Garcia
Jan. 4 Ronald Theis	Jan. 7 Steve Mills
Jan. 5 Maxine Scoffield	Jan. 8 Viola Peel
Jan. 5 Norman Butler	Jan. 9 Linda Barrett
Jan. 7 Jose A. Cabello	Jan. 9 Stan Somers
Jan. 7 Fay Gooch	Jan. 10 Monica Falcon
Jan. 7 John Osborn	Jan. 10 Jose Cole
	Jan. 10 Monica Castillo

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Lodge To Sponsor Adult Education Class

Members of Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444 will sponsor an Adult Education Program provided enough individuals are interested. The program will be taught in English from Video Tapes and will last about one year.

If you are interested in improving your writing, reading, and arithmetic skills call the Kinney County Library at 563-2884 for further information about this public service.

Answers to Super Crossword

WORDS ENDING WITH "LISH"

1	THUR	2	MAL	3	MART	4	TAROT	5	CA	6	GANSE
7	WUR	8	FRON	9	TRAC	10	SAK	11	CRIT	12	LEAT
13	REIN	14	BAR	15	AM	16	ABE	17	CA	18	RA
19	AGRE	20	UPE	21	ST	22	CA	23	ITTE	24	MAYED
25	ORLA	26	IBER	27	AM	28	ABE	29	CA	30	RA
31	RAM	32	AVE	33	NO	34	STUN	35	RI	36	OR
37	WILDE	38	MO	39	IN	40	NO	41	ON	42	OR
43	WAK	44	SO	45	WID	46	HA	47	PO	48	SW
49	RI	50	FL	51	IN	52	HA	53	PO	54	SW
55	RI	56	FL	57	IN	58	HA	59	PO	60	SW
61	RI	62	FL	63	IN	64	HA	65	PO	66	SW
67	RI	68	FL	69	IN	70	HA	71	PO	72	SW
73	RI	74	FL	75	IN	76	HA	77	PO	78	SW
79	RI	80	FL	81	IN	82	HA	83	PO	84	SW
85	RI	86	FL	87	IN	88	HA	89	PO	90	SW
91	RI	92	FL	93	IN	94	HA	95	PO	96	SW
97	RI	98	FL	99	IN	100	HA	101	PO	102	SW

Community Calendar

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

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- Division III Clothing**
(One or more garments constructed by sewing as a unit of wearing apparel)
Classes:
1. tailored 3. evening
2. non-tailored
- Division IV Clay, Glass & Wood Sculpture**
Classes:
1. pottery 4. glass etching
2. ceramics 5. sculpturing-any medium
3. stained glass
- Division V Paintings**
Classes:
1. oil 4. pastels
2. acrylic 5. miscellaneous
3. water color
- Division VI Drawings**
Classes:
1. ink 4. pencil
2. charcoal 5. miscellaneous
3. crayola
- Division VII Flower Arrangements**
Classes:
1. live material 2. artificial material
- Division VIII Photography**
Classes:
1. color 2. black & white
- Division IX Leathercraft**
- Division X Metal Work**
- Division XI Educational Exhibits - All Divisions**
Classes:
1. poster 3. charts
2. displays 4. science exhibits
- Division XII Miscellaneous (anything not covered above)**

UNITED STATES SENATE
CAPITOL COMMENT
U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Unfinished Business

It has been said that a problem well stated is a problem half solved. Well, the problem of deficit spending has been defined... and for the first time in 40 years we're seriously starting to solve it.

We accomplished much in 1995, but we still have so far to go to fulfill our commitments to the American people.

We know what needs to be done. What follows is a list of the issues Congress will need to concentrate on during the new year.

- Number 1 - We must follow through on achieving a balanced budget. Although the President has finally agreed with Congress on the commitment to a balanced budget within seven years, there remains a daunting number of details to be agreed upon, involving fundamental differences of approach and principle. Welfare, Medicaid and Medicare reform hang in the balance. If you wonder why you're earning more - but your quality of life isn't better - it is because the cost of government is rising at a greater rate than your salary and it is taking more from you in taxes, fees and higher prices for everything you buy. Ending government profligacy will produce economic growth for the next century, and end the unfair imposition of a burdensome debt on the backs of our children and grandchildren. These issues are the most vital to our country's future.
- We must continue to lay the groundwork for reforming the federal tax system. Be it through a flat tax, value-added tax or any of the several proposals that have been put forth, our tax structure is unsatisfactory. It punishes hard work and productivity - and stifles economic growth. It must be fixed in a way that allows Americans to keep more of what they've earned.
- Around the world, we will be watching the events about to unfold in Bosnia very closely. Congress and the executive branch should work together to articulate a set of principles to guide global U.S. defensive strategy. We must not continue to go from one foreign policy crisis to the next without a plan of action. Our national security and the safety of our troops are at stake.
- Congress must continue the march toward regulatory reform it started last year. Although some of the most egregious examples of regulatory overkill have been slowed or stopped, this is still costing Americans billions of dollars annually, destroying hundreds of thousands of U.S. jobs and crippling our productivity in the international marketplace.

The critical period for reforms has arrived: When we move from promises to reality. As we scale back government in a responsible manner, we intend to continue to enact measures that encourage America herself to grow - so "the land of opportunity" will be the continuing description of the U.S.A.

The work we undertake in 1996 must be predicated on the principle that America's greatness is based on its people, not on its bureaucracy.

Meet Mark Twain

On Saturday, December 16, forty residents of Fort Clark and Brackettville traded in their hiking and golf shoes, shorts and jeans for dinner jackets and holiday finery to spend an evening with Mark Twain. The group caravanned over to the Uvalde Country Club for the Dinner Theatre. The club was decked out in the reds and greens of the season, sprinkled with hundreds of white fairy lights. A cocktail hour and a delicious ham dinner preceded the one man show. Donald King Cowan's portrayal of America's favorite humorist has appeared on hundreds of stages from Maine to California as well as across Canada. Mr. Cowan has appeared in many Broadway productions, television and film. He is well-versed in the life and literature of Twain and frequently conducts educational workshops in conjunction with his performances. The event was co-sponsored by the Texas Commission on the Arts and The National Endowment on the Arts. Those attending from our area were Pat & Ken Callnan, Pat & Clem McKelvy, Clara & Allen McCord, Vicki & Ken Bell, Jean & Batch Batchelor, Nancy & Jerry O'Brien, Gertie & Arnold Troutwein, Carol Benfield, Betty Mathison, Barbara Miller, Nelda & Marvin Archer, Eileen & Herb Voracek, Bobbie & Pack Waddill, Lynn & Tom McNew, Marge Madrich, Dee & Ken Curry, Rozetta & Ben Pingenot, Ruth & Don Packer, Ruby and Frank Cheaney.

Nellie Tayloe Ross was the first woman governor in the United States, serving as governor of Wyoming from 1925 to 1927.

STITCHERY GROUP PREPARING FOR PROJECT SHOW

The Fort Clark Stitchery Group, which meets every 3rd Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the Adult Center are preparing their latest creations to show at the 1996 Kinney County Project Show. The project show will be January 19 in the Civic Center and the group plans to make a good showing.

Everyone is welcome to join in the group to work on individual projects and share ideas. Experienced stitchers are always available to help, encourage or advise. The next meeting will be January 18, 1996, for information call the Adult Center 563-2024.

Entry Forms for the Project Show are available at the Adult Center, Jeans and the library

Love is a power too strong to be overcome by anything but flight.
—Cervantes

Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON
BISD Curriculum Director

The First Day Of The Rest Of Your Life

A brand new year — 1996! It's exciting to me. Just think, in four years all the numbers roll over to 2000. It's like watching a speedometer that's fixing to make a major change. Lots of things are happening that are cause for me to focus on the idea that today is the first day of the rest of your life. Let's explore the topic.

Last week, I talked about reflecting on our life and using the results of those reflections for setting goals or making resolutions for the new year. Time goes by so fast, that it's easy to use it just moving from day to day, meal to meal, gas station to gas station — for teenagers, or sunrise to sunset. At the end of the day, even above rest and relaxation, I have always found a need to leave the day better than I found it. I guess that's my vision of what I want my life to be. Someway, somehow, because we have passed this way...I hope that we can look back at our lives and say...I made life better...I made a difference.

This week, our school kids start a new semester. It's a time when they can look over their report cards and determine if they want to begin anew. No grades have been placed in the gradebook for the new semester. There is opportunity for a reeducation of effort that will result in better marks on the permanent record for each student. That's right, permanent. The marks that we earn are there for the duration. So, if for no other reason, they are important. There are lots of other reasons though. A child that works to achieve to his/her absolute potential is learning habits that will be used in adult life. We need good, positive habits. Begin now.

We begin a new year. That's right, 1996. So, what can the adults do about this new thinking? Lots of things. We can begin with financial ideas. Think about saving some regularly and not spending it all. Think about looking at paying off some of the high interest debt like credit cards that we all have accumulated. In the way of families, I hope that we will place the goal of spending time with and supporting our families as number one. Our kids learn by example more than they learn from what we tell them to do. Think about it. Do it.

In my own family, my daughter Traci, will be married in Lubbock this Saturday. A wedding. Newly weds. A brand new life. What an opportunity to begin anew in a world that needs to see young people happy in marriage.

That's about all. Here is a positive note that I have posted in my office so that I can read it every day:

TODAY IS THE VERY FIRST DAY OF THE REST OF MY LIFE:

This is the beginning of a new day. I have been given this day to use as I WILL. I can waste it...or use it for good, but what I do today is important, because I am exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever, leaving in its place something that I have traded for it. I want it to be gain, and not loss; good and not evil; success, and not failure; in order that I shall not regret the price that I have paid for it. I will try just for today, for you never fail until you stop trying.

Lions Roar

December of 1995, was the busiest month of the year for the Brackettville Lions Club. Our thrift shop was open on the second and sixteenth of the month and we had our big Christmas Sale. We had lots of volunteers to help with the sales and also repair and paint the back of our building. Watch for our thrift shop sales on the sixth and twentieth of January 1996.

At our meeting on 7 December we had a representative from the Texas Lions Camp for Handicapped Children, who gave an inspiring program on our Texas Lions Camp. November and December was taken up with preparations for the Annual Kinney County Christmas Basket Program. This year, on 23 December, over 100 families received Christmas baskets. These baskets affected over 370 family members. The Christmas baskets were filled with packaged foods, canned foods, fresh fruits and vegetables, candy, hams, bakery goods, toys for the children and lots of other goodies. These baskets had a value of over three thousand dollars. With-

Man is the only animal that laughs and weeps; for he is the only animal that is struck with the difference between what things are and what they might have been.
—William Hazlitt

BISD Cafeteria Menu
Parents Welcome To Join Their Children At Breakfast Or Lunch

Milk Served At All Meals
Three Choices For Breakfast:
1. Printed Menu; 2. Cereal, Toast, Fruit Or Juice; 3. Two Toasts, Fruit Or Juice

11 School Days In The Month Of August
Elementary @ \$1.10 - \$12.10
Middle And High School @ \$1.25 - \$13.75
Milk Served At All Meals
Salad Bar Available Everyday "B" Line Everyday

Breakfast Menu

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Or Fruit Juice	FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 Corn Dog French Fries Veggie Salad/Dressing Fruit
MONDAY, JANUARY 8 Pizza Bagel Fruit Or Fruit Juice	MONDAY, JANUARY 8 Chili Con Carne W/Beans Veggie Sticks Peanut Butter Cup Fruit Cornbread
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 Egg & Potato Taquito Picante Fruit Or Fruit Juice	TUESDAY, JANUARY 9 Pepperoni Pizza Choice Of Vegetable Peach Cobbler
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 Waffles With Strawberries Fruit Or Fruit Juice	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 Hamburger Burger Salad French Fries Whipped Jello
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 1/2 Bagel With Cream Cheese Fruit Or Fruit Juice	THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 Taco Salad Pinto Beans Spanish Rice Fruit



First Baptist Church
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

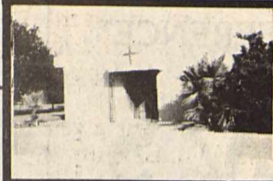
"The Pastor's Pen"

We are now into a "New Year." It is time for a "new beginning," a "fresh start." Those are the thoughts and phrases of many minds and mouths at this time of year. "How do I get started?" is a question that is addressed by so many. There is a world full, and abundance of material of a motivational nature to help in the getting started. Most of it is or can be summed up by the statement: *Just Do It!*

The most difficult part of most projects is getting started I have to agree. But what about the ending or completion of a project. I am reminded of a cliché, *quitters never win and winners never quit.* To make a start without an honest attempt and purpose of mind to attain the desired goal would have to be considered a

waste of both time and resources. To go into a football game and play for three quarters and to not show up for the fourth quarter just because things had not previously gone well, should not even be a consideration. This past week has shown how eight final minutes can be crucial. Finishing is every bit as important as starting.

May I take these few lines as words of encouragement for each of us? *Just Do It! Then Keep On Doing It! Get It Done!* The benefit and personal satisfaction of having completed what was started, even if the outcome was not quite what was expected, will be well worth it. For 1996, "may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost" (Romans 15:13).



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Don't waste time making self-serving resolutions. They simply palliate perceived problems and gradually die.

If you want to make a meaningful resolution just resolve to be happy. Anyone can be happy. There is no one to blame if one is unhappy but self. Don't blame others; don't blame circumstances or conditions; don't blame society. These are all cop outs. You can be happy regardless of mistreatment by others, regardless of circumstances or happenings, regardless of anyone or anything. Happiness is a condition of the soul.

Paul faced troubles and problems none of us will ever face but he said "I have learned in whatever state I am, therewith to be content." He had happiness in his soul.

If you want to be happy see the silver lining not the darkness of the cloud. If you want to be happy see the opportunity in the problem. If you want to be happy move out of fear of anything and know the joy of freedom. If you want to be happy extend yourself to others.

A friendly smile to another boom-

a-rangs and brings a smile to your soul. Helping one in need to carry a heavy load lifts a load from your soul. To be happy one must live beyond himself.

Jesus says this again and again, One cannot be happy in his soul unless he is on good terms with God. One cannot be on good terms with God unless he is on good terms with His Son, Jesus.

The closer one walks with God, the happier he is with life. There's no room in a heart in tune with God for fear, frustration, anxiety, anger, vindictiveness, hatred, arrogance or malice. These all destroy happiness.

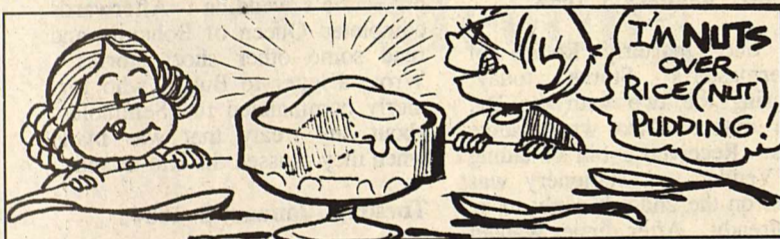
This year resolve to walk closely in tune with God and be happy. You can make no better resolution. Sunday will be another high-light at Frontier Baptist Church. The Lord's Supper will be observed following the preaching from the Bible. Following the observance of this ordinance there will be the regular covered dish Fellowship Dinner. Everyone is cordially invited to be blest by attendance at these significant activities. Come and See.



St. John's Baptist Church
Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

And I brethren when I came onto you, Came not with excellency of speech Or wisdom, declaring into you The testimony of God For I determined not to know anything Among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified, And I was with you in weakness and in Fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching Was not with enticing words

Of man's wisdom, but in demonstration Of the spirit and of Power: I Corinthians Chapter 2 Verse 1-4
10 A.M. & 11 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship
6 P.M. - 7 P.M. Tues, Wed., & Friday Bible Study
6 P.M. Thursday Gospel Preaching
6 P.M. - 7 P.M. Sat. Night Prayer Meeting
Come Worship With Us



Christmas dinner in Scandinavia includes a rice pudding with a single almond in it. According to tradition, whoever gets the almond will have good luck throughout the new year.

Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 563-2071.
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First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.
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Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 a.m., Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 p.m., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 a.m., Regular 10:30 a.m., Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 a.m., Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Father Donald La Vell.
First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor.
St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.
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Apostolic New Jerusalem: 514 E. Louise St., Sunday School 10:45 A.M. and Morning worship 11:30 A.M., Missionary Meeting every 3rd Thursday of the month. Everyone Welcome! Pastor, Rudy Goodloe from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m., Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331.

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

God has given us a marvelous gift — time. It is one of the dimensions of reality as we know it, manifesting itself as day and night, seasons, years, past, present and future, and as such the gift of time helps us to organize our lives. Even in the most primitive of civilizations there are devices used to tell time (sun dials and such), and though the millennia we have super-organized ourselves by dividing each of the natural divisions of time into months, weeks, days, hours...down to split seconds. (The only thing we haven't managed is to squeeze an extra hour or two into a day — although some of us have tried pretty hard!) When the New (Greek) Testament speaks of this kind of time, it uses the word *chronos*. *Chronos* refers to physical or quantitative time. *Chronos* is one gift of time, but it is not the only one. In the New Testament there is another word for time, *kairos*.

Kairos refers to time, not divided by quantity but rather by a particular quality. *Kairos* is used to speak about the way things are in a given *chronos* period. It speaks about the way we

are, particularly the way we are in relationship, in relation with one another, creation, and God. To borrow a phrase from Dickens, *kairos* can be "the best of times" or "the worst of times."

Chronos organizes our lives; *kairos* organizes ourselves. *Chronos* keeps rolling along no matter what we do; we can't add to it or take away from it, we can only accept it. *Kairos*, on the other hand, is what make it; it is determined by God and by how you and I live with one another, with creation, and with God.

Chronos is very important, and under good circumstances I'll take all of it I can get! *Kairos* is even more important — it's what we do with our time that counts. As we enter the new year, the chronological unit defined as 1996, let us graciously receive the God-given gift of time, and let us be good stewards of that gift, choosing carefully and wisely what we will do with it.

May 1996 be a blessed year in Brackett and throughout God's creation.

Obituary



OTHEL A. DAVIS

Othel A. Davis, age 88 died January 1, 1996 in Del Rio, Texas. Born April 25, 1907 in Brackettville, Texas. Entered the United States Army July 2, 1942 and served during World War II. He had retired from Laughlin Air Force Base as a civil service employee.

Preceded in death by his son Calvin Davis April 1995. He leaves

to mourn his wife Annie Shields. Daughter and son-in-law: Audrey and Clarence G. Ward all of Brackettville. Son: Johnny J. Shields of San Antonio, Tx. Daughter-in-law: Ann Davis of Glenburnie, Maryland. Brother: John Wilson of Kerrville, Tx. Sister: June Morse of Woodland, California. Granddaughter: Tiara N. Ward of Brackettville. Cousins: Teddy Jennings of San Antonio, Robert Franklin of Brackettville and George Gordon of Ozona, Tx.

Visitation for family and friends will be between 5:00 and 10:00 P.M. Friday at the Brackettville Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be Saturday, January 6, 1996 at 11:00 A.M. at the Jerusalem Temple Church with Pastor Raymond Goodloe officiating. Burial will follow at the Seminole In'tan Scout Cemetery with the San Felipe Del Rio Veterans Honor Guard conducting military honors.

Pallbearers will be Thomas Gomez, Joe Kelly, Louis Flores, Albert Payne, William Riley, and Smiley Goodloe. Honorary Pallbearers will be Jesus Hidalgo, Ray Talamantez, and Oscar Payne.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North Street Brackettville, Texas dba Del Rio Funeral Home Inc.

Cameo From The Past

We once lived in a small town not far from Austin but I had one experience there I'll never forget.

The land around this part of Texas is called the "black land belt" and when it rains the mud is the stickiest, thickest and blackest you can imagine.

After heavy rains it was a sight to see the chickens standing in the yard, not able to move because of the balls of mud under their feet. They flopped their wings and tried to fly but no results.

Then man's part of this act came to the rescue. Each chicken had to be picked up and one person held the squaking chicken while another one pried the mud balls out from under the chicken's feet.

All the time there was a barnyard concert going on and the flapping of wings and the squaking of the liberated chickens I'll never forget.

What would we do without these memories of the past? Every time I hear a squaking chicken I think of the barn yard brawl.

For Pete's Sake

"I can't understand," a friend said to me the other day, "why I have so many problems."

Now that remark came from an intelligent, normal reasonably successful person, who ought to know better than to question such things. He has problems of course, because he is doing things! If he had no problems at all, it would be the best sign I know of that he has ceased to live, at least as a functional human being.

Problems, dear hearts, are what makes the world go around. Not money. Money is a problem within itself. So, with all the folks who are worrying about having problems getting more and more anxious over them, I figure it was about time for a column of old fashioned hill-billy philosophy on the subject of problems and the whys and wherefores thereof.

When God first created the world, there were no problems at all in it. Therefore, it was a beautiful, but dull, place.

A bit later, he decided to create man.

"How can I keep man from get-

Winter Health Watch

(NAPS)—The dreaded winter months are upon us and that means colds, the flu and dry, chapped skin.

While you could try your grandmother's home remedy to fend off winter ailments, there are more conventional, preventive measures you can follow.

One of the easiest and most effective deterrents to colds and the flu is washing your hands, which helps eliminate germs and bacteria that are easily picked up every day.

Did you know?

Using a broad-spectrum antibacterial soap, like *Antibacterial Lever 2000*, is more effective than regular soap and kills the germs and bacteria that can cause pneumonia, strep throat, diarrhea and other illnesses.

Antibacterial Lever 2000 will also help keep these germs and bacteria from coming back for up to 12 hours.

- Other helpful hints to maintain your health during the winter months:
 - 1) Get plenty of rest to strengthen your immune system.
 - 2) Don't go out in the cold with wet hair or damp skin, and
 - 3) Wear layers of clothing to trap your body heat.



Traci Stephenson & Nathan Perry

Traci Stephenson and Nathan Perry, both of Lubbock, Texas, will exchange wedding vows at 7 P.M. January 6 at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lubbock.

Miss Stephenson, 23, is the daughter of Taylor and Phyllis Stephenson of Brackettville. A 1991 graduate of Artesia High School, she received her degree from Texas Tech University in December, 1995, with a Bachelor of Science degree in occupational therapy.

Perry, 25, is the son of Charles and Ann Perry of Artesia, New Mexico. A 1988 graduate of Artesia High School, he graduated in 1989 from Universal Technical Institute with an Associate's Degree in Auto/Diesel/Technology. He currently works as a service manager for Firestone in Lubbock.

After the wedding, the couple will continue to make their home in Lubbock, where the bride-to-be will be employed at St. Mary's Hospital as an occupational therapist.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend the wedding.

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The whole community including representatives of public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, education, health, juvenile justice, criminal justice, child welfare, law enforcement, the private sector, community associations, and concerned citizens are urged to attend.

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Laundry Cleaning Tips To Consider

(NAPS)—Washing clothes takes enough time in your busy schedule without the extra hassle of rewashing because stains didn't come out the first time.

One stain remover that an increasing number of consumers consider best for getting out stains better the first time is New Formula Shout. It comes in a squeeze bottle or trigger. The new formula contains three powerful stain fighting ingredients that help remove tough laundry stains including motor oil, grass, blood, and cuff and collar. The trigger is quick and convenient, covering wide areas and large stains. The squeeze bottle is good for direct use on stains or as a refill for the trigger.

Other laundry ideas you might like to include:

Greasy stains are best handled by pretreating the area with an aerosol laundry stain remover. Allow it to sit one to five minutes, then wash with detergent in the warmest water possible.

Sometimes consumers hesitate to use laundry stain remover when they get a stain on delicate fabrics. Shout is safe for all color-fast washables. However, you may want to test it on a small, inconspicuous area, to be sure it's colorfast.

Grass stains require a special enzyme ingredient in the laundry stain remover for most effective removal. The Shout trigger, squeeze, gel and stick all contain enzymes to help you with this tough stain.

In winter, hang wet clothes in the basement instead of using the dryer. This not only saves on utility bills, but the damp clothes can help humidify the house.

Iron the top part of pants on the wrong side, then turn to the right side for the legs. The pockets and waistband will have a smoother look.

Keep these hints in mind and you may be better able to keep laundry days from getting out of hand.

He who has no character is not a man: he is a thing.

—Nicolas Chamfort

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

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

January 1884: Lt French remains in the field close to the line of the Southern Pacific at Mayers Spring (near present day Dryden) in command of the Seminole-Negro Indian Scout Detachment. His observation with his mail is repeatedly recorded in the diary. The train delivers the mail daily and he frequently postpones activities to see what the mail might bring. He continues to be drawn into get rich quick schemes involving pig ranches or land deals for which he must borrow money. When his request for a loan from Captain Vance is turned down he is disappointed but continues to dream. He writes to Lieut Bullis about the scouts treaty with the government and goes on several explorations with the men looking for an elusive mine and water. The winter weather produces two snowfalls and frequent northers. When the Paymaster arrives (who had the previous year "... made mean remarks..." about the food) Lt French is still the gracious host. He writes a profound observation, "If hospitality is a sacred duty, a proper respect & regard for the host's feelings should be equally binding on the guest." Guests come and go to include the post sutler from Fort Clark, Dave Jacobs, who appears to collect money owed by the Seminoles. Practicing on his violin and writing letters occupy the days while games of Whist and Parcheesi fill the nights. The order relieving the detachment arrives and Lt French expects to be back at Fort Clark by mid-February.

Tuesday, January 1 1884

The new year opened clear but quite cold with a stiff norther blowing all day. Mrs. Lougee felt too unwell to come to breakfast. Soon after breakfast the mail came bringing a letter from home, a bundle of papers, pay from Maj. Bash & some O.B.'s. Father writes that Mother is still confined to her bed. It is plain that he feels worried about her. Hope to hear more favorable report soon. Wrote Father sending money to pay for insurance & shoes & music. Sent check to be deposited in San Antonio Bank. Afterwards completed report of fuel forage &c. & wrote an O.B. to Vedder. Received corn & oats from Torres. Very cold job. Mrs. L. & Capt. Simonds joined us at dinner. Excellent dinner. Lougee superintended the clam chowder. Blanco had an epileptic fit today. Guess he will have to go to the Post as soon as he is well enough to travel. After

FOOTSTEPS ECHO

The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Major General Francis Henry French Courtesy of his descendants

dinner walked over to the house with Captain & returned with globe for lantern. The doctor & I had some words about the globe, but we were soon all right. Must learn to control my temper & not make a fool of myself. In the evening Lougee & I beat Madame & Dr. at euchre. Afterwards worked on Muster Rolls. Bowlegs returned today. Gave him a "cussing-out".

Wednesday, January 2 1884

Went over to the house after breakfast. Wrote letter home after returning and then worked on the muster rolls. No mail for me. Am very anxious to hear how Mother is getting along. Received corn and oats today, neither Torres being present. After dinner walked over to the house which is almost completed. Then worked on the muster rolls and almost completed them. Not so cold today. West wind blowing. Blanco a little better, but not well enough to travel. Hope to complete the rolls tomorrow to get his signature before he goes in.

Thursday, January 3 1884

Today is Lula's birthday; hope she will see many more, each more pleasant and prosperous than the preceding. A miserable west wind was blowing all day. This wind is the most trying wind that blows around here, for some reason or other. Went over to the house in the morning after comparing the muster rolls with the help of Lougee & Doctor. Had them signed at noon and sent one to the Adjutant General in the afternoon. Feel relieved now that these are made out. In afternoon received remainder of corn & oats from Torres and sent him a receipt to Thurston by his teamster for the whole amount delivered. Lougee & wife moved over to the house today but ate dinner with us. In evening played on the violin for a while, read the papers which I have been unable to read before and made out the quarterly account current of the company fund belonging to the Detachment.

Friday, January 4 1884

Rather warm all day. Norther sprung up at sunset and tonight it is getting quite cold outside. Completed return of Ordnance and compared the returns with Doctor before dinner. Also made quarterly statement of Ordnance & got everything ready to mail tomorrow. Confound Vedder, he ought to send the stationery. Only two more returns to be made and then the rush is over. Received a letter from home with the welcome news of improvement in Mother's health. Hope it will be continued and permanent and that I will soon

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Everything has been said before, but since nobody listens, we have to keep going back and beginning all over again. —Andre Gide



hunting party from starting out this morning. That outfit that came last evening after dark is still encamped near the mens' tents. Wish they would go. Stationery came today. After dinner prepared all mail to be sent out tomorrow and wrote to George & also to Mrs. Hoffman to congratulate her on Bessie's wedding. Afterwards completed Queen of Bohemia and read some other short stories. Wrote a letter to Bullis, who formerly commanded the Seminoles, about any treaty that was made when they crossed the Rio Grande.

Tuesday, January 8 1884

Practiced on my violin until the mail came bringing me a long expected letter from home, dated Dec. 15, & one from Dave Jacobs at the Sutler's store, Clark, asking me to collect some money for him. Wrote him in the evening that I declined to do any more collecting. Received a letter from Capt. Vance, in which he returns my note and says he cannot spare so much money now. Feel rather discouraged about the hog business as it seems such a feasible scheme. A bundle of papers came also. Started a hunting party out this morning giving Ward instructions to hunt for that mine and to bring in some specimens. Lougee was over this morning and made me a fine promise if I can find any water on the land near the San Francisco. Intend to go down there next week to hunt, & shall look very thoroughly for water. Read the papers from home until dinner. Afterwards went over to the house & had a long talk with Capt. Simonds. He was very kind and has promised to have a talk with Nason and let me know just what can be done about the pig ranch. Felt much better after this talk. Had a talk about the land business near San Francisco, Lougee coming in to join the conversation. If I can find any water, they will secure the land, make a stock company, give me some shares for nothing and then develop the land & sell it for as much as possible. Spoke to Captain about Ward's mine and he promises to take the specimens home to be analyzed. After returning wrote a letter home enclosing 3 notes to pay my insurance this year.