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CITY HALL

it was announced at the regular meeting of Brackettville City council Monday night, that the State Helath Department had approved the solid waste disposal site to be located south of Brackettville.

It was reported that Josie Pena of the Housing Authority had reported that discrepancies at the Project housing had been corrected. However, the Council still questioned the fact that three persons employed by the housing authority were related.

Don Hood appeared before the Council and showed architectural drawings of a proposed apartment complex, he plans to construct in Brackettville. He asked that the Council request the zoning Commission to re-zone Block 19 from residential to apartment zoning. After the Council viewed the plans of the Western Style complex they informed Hood the Zoning Commission would be contacted. Block 19 is located in the Northeastern portion of Brackettville.

The Council voted to issue invitations for bids for a new fire truck for the City. The present plans are to utilize the existing pump from the old truck and place it on a new chasis. The present pump has just been re-built at Texas A&M and is in excellent condition. It was suggested that Ft. Clark be contacted in regards to sharing the cost on the new truck since they are receiving insurance credit on the City of Brackettville's Fire Equipment.

The Council voted unanimously to protest CP&L's removal of a full time service man from Brackettville. Representatives of the Fire Department and Rotary Club expressed their disaproval of CP&L's decision. An interesting incident that happened during the meeting added to the infuriation of those present.

(See this week's Loos Connections)



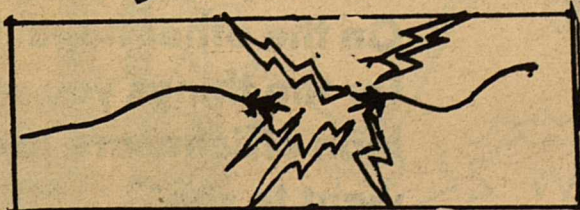
DESPITE QUICK ACTION BY THE BRACKETTVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT THIS MOBILE HOME BELONGING TO THE MONTALVO FAMILY WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIRE THIS PAST MONDAY. CITY MANAGER, TIM WARD, WHO WAS AT THE FIRE STATED, "WE WERE LUCKY TO BE ABLE TO DISCONNECT THE ELECTRICAL SERVICE OURSELVES IN THIS CASE. THIS IS ANOTHER REASON WE NEED A FULL TIME ELECTRICAL SERVICEMAN FROM CP&L IN BRACKETTVILLE."

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

At their regular meeting Monday morning, Commissioners heard objections from area ranchers and residents of Fort Clark on increased land tax evaluation.

The Court agreed to endorse the Rural Health Initiative Program to be sponsored by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The program would supplement the two doctors presently serving Brackettville two days a week, with doctors from Eagle Pass filling in on the other days. Members of the Kinney County Clinic Committee endorsed the program.

'LOOS'



CONNECTIONS

It became apparent this past week that I was not the only person in our community that was upset over CP&L's announcement

that they did not plan to place a full time serviceman here.

Our City Council, Rotary Club, and members of our Fire Department are highly upset, and that's putting it mildly.

With a portable tape recorder I held a few "Man On the Street" interviews. The question asked each of the people was: "CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY HAS STATED THAT THEY ARE NOT GOING TO REPLACE OUR LOCAL SERVICEMAN AND ALL SERVICE WILL BE HANDLED BY DEL RIO PERSONNEL, WHAT ARE YOUR FEELINGS ON THIS?"

Molly Ardrey (Real Estate Broker): "My thinking is everybody here in Brackett wants to see the City grow and I believe that CP&L should also want to see it grow because every new person coming into town will be a new customer of theirs and I would feel that having someone locally to service people would certainly be to CP&L's benefit as well as the people of Brackettville."

C.J. McGill (Real Estate Agent) "I think it is terrible!"

Don Crowder (Electronics Technician) "If they don't have a

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BETWEEN US

By: Joe Townsend

Anyone who knows me or reads what I write knows I'm not "anti" big business. So called "big" business is largely the leader in the great success America has come to be. When "big" business comes to the place where it loses touch with its patrons it becomes an appressive giant. Since CP&L is part of a conglomerate it has chosen to do for its patrons only what it is forced to do. I was not in favor of a Public Utilities Commission because we already have entirely too many bureaucratic regulatory commissions. I can now, however, see the wisdom of and need for such a commission in Texas. A commission sensitive to the needs of the people is a must in dealing with a company such as CP&L. Time was when CP&L was interested in serving the local community. CP&L fostered programs to assist and to motivate local communities to improve themselves. CP&L furnished valuable assistance to smaller communities in particular. Now the name of the game is to bleed the small communities and disregard the local need. The fire mentioned in last weeks issue is a case in point. I served on a local volunteer fire department for a number of years. In every case where there was a fire in the down town area or in a place using a sizeable amount of electricity was used, as a matter of protection of human life as well as property the need arose to cut the service by the electric service company. A blind man can see with his walking cane that there is a need for a local service man to be located in the town where such condition exists. If there is sufficient service

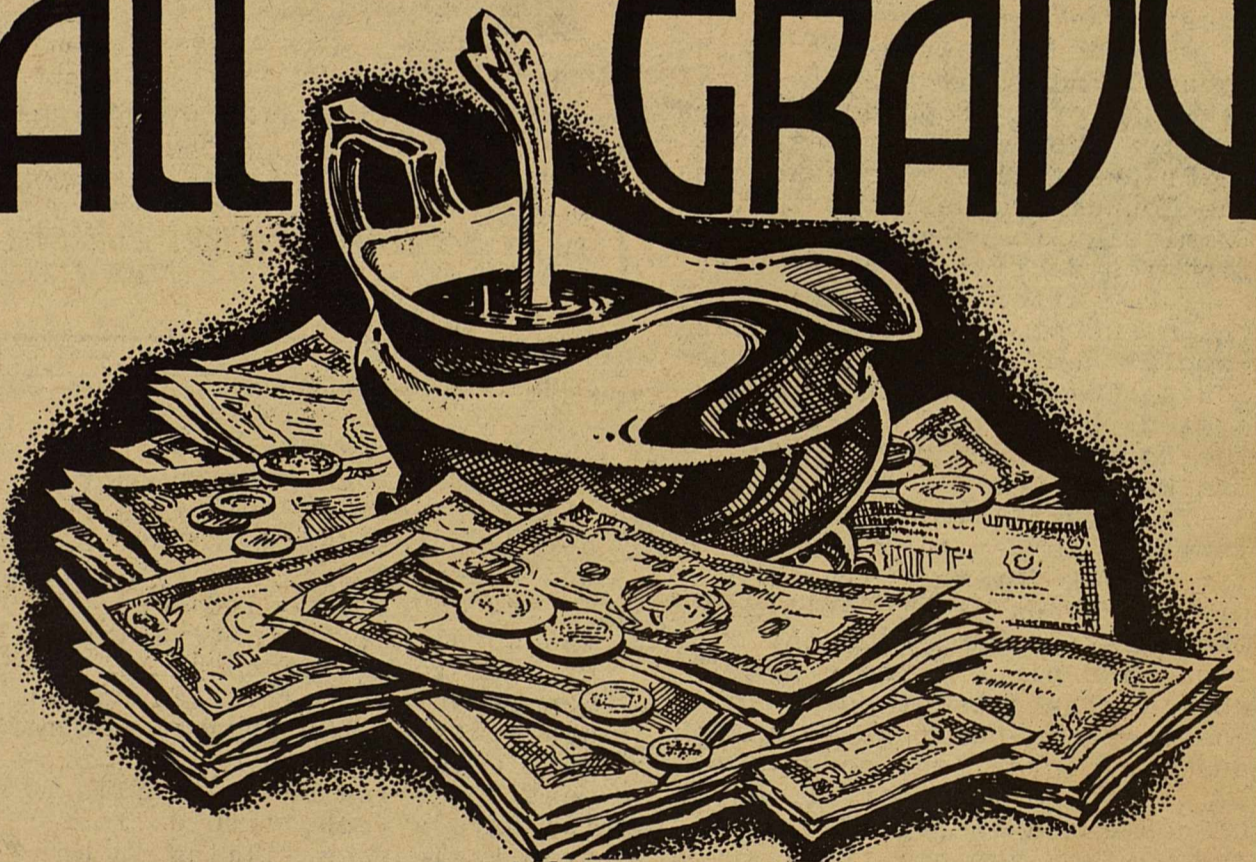
personnel located in Del Rio to make available to Brackettville, a man whenever he is needed in Brackettville, there is an over abundance of men in Del Rio. One could easily be stationed in Brackettville. On the basis of the amount of dollars taken out of Brackettville, Spofford and Ft. Clark Springs to enrich the coffers of CP&L, it is readily apparent that it would not bankrupt CP&L to put a few dollars back into the economy of the town. Brackettville should never settle for less than an office with a secretary to be permanently located in Brackettville and a serviceman also to be permanently located here. After all as needful as a service man is, he would be worth little if there were no way to get in touch with him. We have has enough problems with the telephone company because of arrangements such as this; there is no legitimate reason to compound the problems.

"DOTTSY"

RCA recording artisit, DOTTSY, has stoped in Nashville on her way to New York this past Tuesday when she received a call asking if she could fill in for MARGO SMITH who had just cancelled a video taping session for "That Nashville Music." Fortunately, Dotsy had her entire band "Two Way Street" with her. This was the band's first television appearance with the blonde singer from Sequin, Tx. Dotsy's appearance marks the first time that an artist has taped "That Nashville Music" twice in one season.

DOTTSY, qill be back in Nashville for recording sessions with producer Roy Dea on September 21.

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ALAMO VILLAGE STARS

CRAIG CAMPBELL, the 22 year old, acting sensation from Rising Star, Tx, is drummer and encee for the Shahan Express Band, performing five times daily at Alamo Village.

Craigs, first encounter with the stage came at age 5, doing "puppet" solos for the Boy Scout, Girl Scout and Kiwanis Clubs in the Houston area. Craig is fast becoming known as the young man that can do just about anything; an experienced horseman, stunt man, actor, vocalist, drummer, comedian and sketch artist. His credits include President of Art Students Association, Golden Art Award, and Best (area) Actor award in High Schools, the ADDY award of West Texas, and others. His talents has placed him on my TV shows including the "Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders Special." His latest major theatre performance, before going to the movie site was in "The Greatest Man Alive," with Tom Ewell, (pops of Baretta), both in Dallas and Houston theatres.

Without reservation Craig Campbell is one of the best. Craig's goal is... "To make it. Competition in the entertainment field is tough. When the time comes I want to be ready. I've got the determination to make it!" He has the talent, too!

Present Day Myths

by: **JOE TOWNSEND**

What's good for America is the basis for decision making. There are those who are seeking to make this only a myth. Central Power & Light is toying with the idea of importing coal to five generating plants. They claim it will save 20 cents per million B.T.U. To the average citizen this means nothing. How would this affect the cost of electricity used in the average home? For CP&L to do this an claim to do it in the interest of its customers is hogwash. The method of billing for "service" and for "fuel" is deceptive to begin with. As

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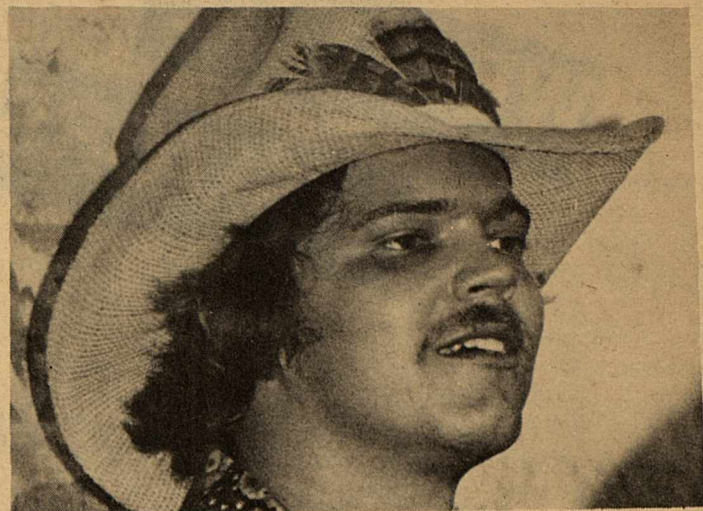
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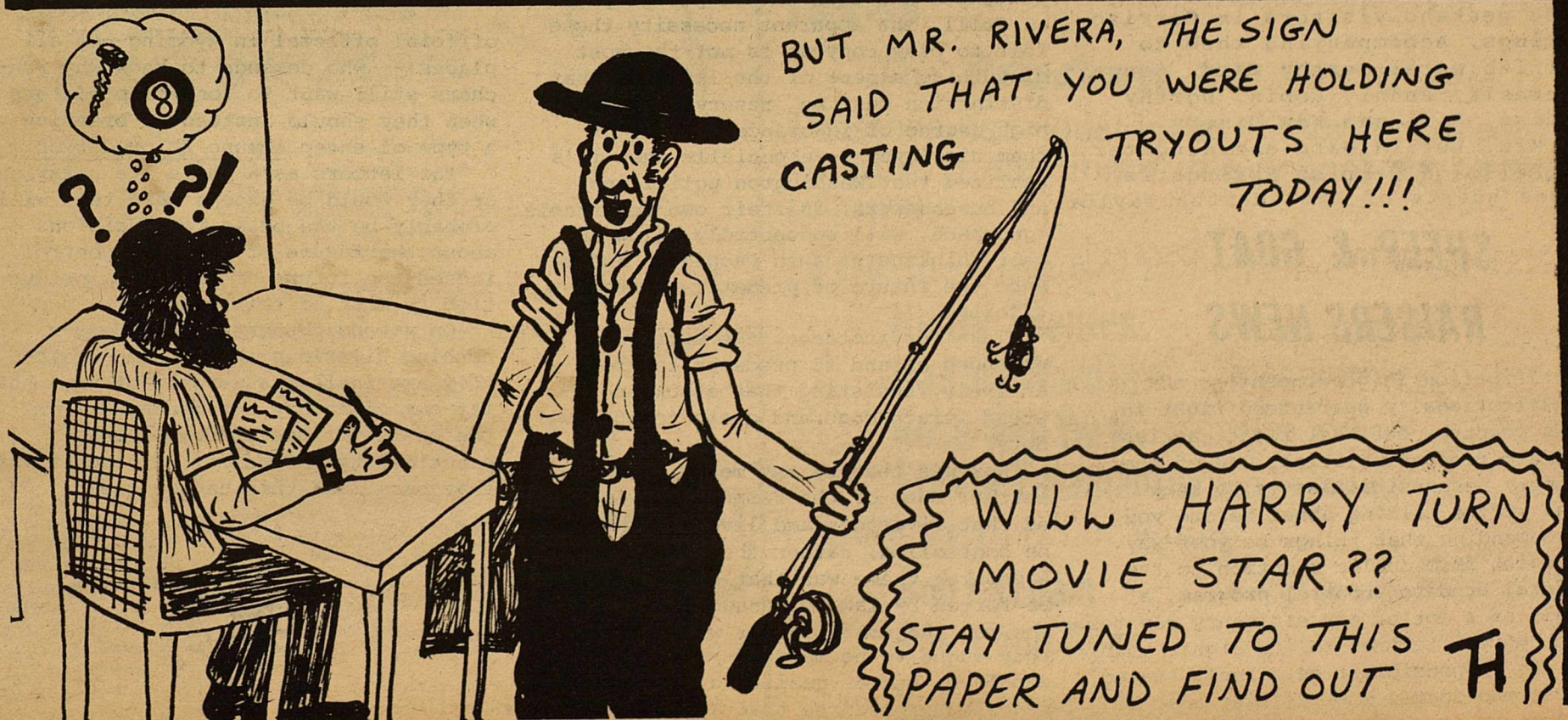
long as the "fuel cost" increases the cost of electricity increase even without the approval of a "rate increase". Look objectively at the idea of improting coal. The reason the dollar is in such bad shape and inflation is rampant is largely due to importation of petroleum. Our nation cannot avoid bankruptcy if we continue to send out dollars out of the country. The U.S. has the largest known coal deposits in the world. To use foreign coal is an abhorrent idea as well as economic nonsense. It is true that the tyrannical EPA is preventing use and mining of this coal in America but the answer is in importing coal but in electing a President and National Legislators who will objectively make decisions. As long as our industry and economy is strapped by insidious and arbitrary laws handed down by unelected bureaucrats we are in deep trouble. It is high time to turn out of office those who put in operation and support the E.P.A. In the meantime American industry should where possible use American resources. None of us are

naive enough to believe that importing coal will reduce our electric bills. It makes me wonder what the reactor would be if people could import electric service from Mexico slightly cheaper than CP&L rates and chose to do so. Yet those involved in mining and shipment of coal have the same right of indignation protest.

Preparations are now under way for the 19th. Annual Alamo Village Labor Day Cowboy horse races. For a fun filled, 3 day celebration come to see Craig Campbell, the Shahan Express Band, the Stagecoach Cuties, featured female vocalists; the Sellers sisters from Brenham; an exhibit by Texas artists, called the Wild Bunch; continuing through Monday when, Dotsy, RCA recording artist and her own Two Way Street band will be entertaining live, there will be a Texas Style Bar B Que at lunch and the Cowboy Horse races in the afternoon.

HARD LUCK HARRY

By: **TEX HILL**



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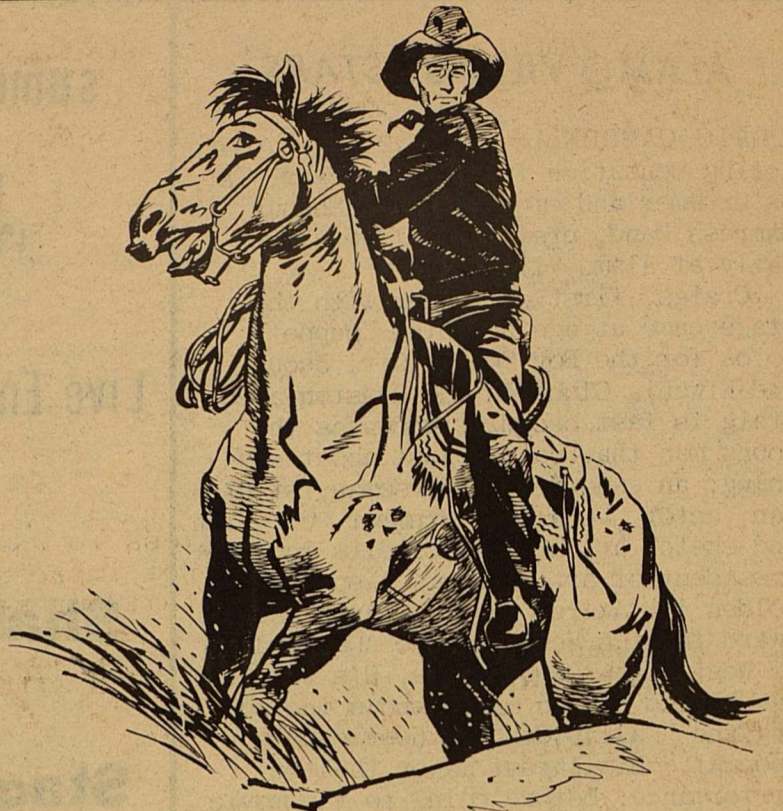
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BRACKETT HAPPENINGS

By: Lillie Mae Dimery

E3 Richard Bryant of Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Mitchel Bryant of Fort Bliss, El Paso, Phyllis Forster, Donna Jennings visited their Aunt and Uncle Louis and Lillie Mae Dimery. Richard and Mitchell are in the Air Force and are on their way to Germany for the next three years.

Sheldon Best and Mrs. Evelyn Best gave a Barbeque dinner, Saturday night honoring their cousin Mrs. Evelyn Lucuro of Billings, Montana. Friends and relatives present were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Daniels, Mrs. Jo Emly Williams, Mr. and Mrs. James Poindexter, of San Antonio. Mr. and Mrs. John July, Mrs. Clara July, Miss Charles E. Wilson and Lillie Mae Dimery, all of Brackett.

Josie Factor, Chris, Jackie Brother and children were guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ward of Carrizo Springs.

Mr. Hardin Ward, Jr. and niece Dorthy Evett Porcter of Dalhart were weekend visitors in Carrizo Springs. Accompanying them to Carrizo were: Dorthy Ward, Sonya, Theresia, Penni, Robin, Dorthy Louise, Earl and Kay Dimery.

Mrs. Luella Ward and daughter, Michelle of Carrizo Springs is house guests of Mrs. Martha Taylor

SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS NEWS

Participation in government is a constitutionally guaranteed right in this country, but that right carries certain responsibilities. One of the primary responsibilities is to know what you're talking about before you go demanding that things be your way.

Judging from public reaction to the federal predator control program, a whale of a lot of our citizenry devotes much more attention to its rights than to its responsibilities. Simply stated those who do the most yelling also do

the least thinking.

A recently released environmental impact statement on predator control contained roughly 300 letters, about half from individuals and the balance from government agencies, organizations and institutions. No pun intended, but a goodly sample of those from individuals read like they originated inside the walls of certain institutions.

Actually, the Fish and Wildlife Service, which collected the letters and published the impact statement, notes that there were a total of 1418 letters from "individuals." The declined to print 1288 of them in the statement, however, because they were identical "duplicates of two other letters. The letter "writers" who engaged in this little exercise in duplicity were all opponents of predator control.

Many of the other respondents condemning predator control had obviously also let others do much of their thinking for them, judging from the fact that so many of them kept bringing up the same obscure points of complaint. Not that it would have been totally impossible for so many of them to have hit upon the same minor details--omprobable, yes, but still possible. What gives them away is that they kept parroting each other, right down to the same sentences and even entire paragraphs.

Still, the apparent necessity these felt to play copycat is not the most disturbing aspect of the letters. That distinction must be reserved for the high degree of ignorance so many of them displayed--especially when it's realized that Washington politicians and bureaucrats, in their own remarkable ignorance, will undoubtedly allow the poor thinking of such people to influence the future of predator control efforts.

Take for instance, the write who demanded an end to predator control entirely, insisting that stockmen instead "train dogs and geese to guard duty."

Nor was that by any means an unusual letter; most of the respondents insisted that livestock and livestock producers be controlled, rather than predators. A popular theme was that stockmen should be forced by law to manage their stock the way the urban letter writers think they ought to be managed--after all, who should be better qualified to dictate ranching procedures than a New Yorker

who knows for a fact that meat comes from Safeway and livestock are just an excuse for crazy ranchers to murder helpless little coyotes?

Don't snicker. The letters make it apparent many people actually believe that sort of thing. They also apparently believe that sheep destroy every inch of range land they trod; ranchers force their stock to go weeks without a drink of water and months without grazing and feed; and, incredibly, that coyotes are a threatened or endangered species.

One family wrote that they sleep outdoors roughly 50 nights a year (that averages once a week with two weeks off for Christmas) and are thus able to state with certainty that coyotes are nowhere near as prevalent as the experts have determined. The family apparently judges coyotes density on the basis of a yelp count. They also apparently take the expert's averages literally--when it is reported that density is equivalent to one coyote per 2.3 square miles, they expect to find exactly one on every 2.3 square mile.

Such foolishness pours from scores of other letters, including those from people who should know better, in fact from some who are paid to know better. Take the letter from a state wildlife

official official in Wyoming--of all places!--who demands to know why ranchers still want to control predators when they should instead be breeding a type of sheep immune to predation.

The letters as a whole are hilarious or they would be except that they will probably be the basis for decisions about the future of predator control, indeed the future of livestock production in most of this country.

On second thought maybe there's nothing hilarious about them-- maybe they are instead a warning of just how far our citizenry has wandered from the basic virtues of common sense, practicality and belief in productivity that once made this nation great.



LOOS CONNECTIONS.....

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serviceman here we will have to call elsewhere for service and will have to wait, if they have any problems in the area where the serviceman is he'll take care of those first before he comes here. And furthermore it means we will have to call long distance to get hold of their service person."

RoseMary Slubar: "I am with the Kinney County Ambulance Service in Brackettville. I feel that we need a linesman here if we have a line down we need someone on the spot immediately not an hour and a half or two hours later, it would endanger the citizens of Brackettville."

Don Hood (Businessman) "I own three businesses plus my home on Fort Clark all under CP&L's power and when we have problems with the businesses, one being a car wash, it is a real hassel because we have to wait an hour and a half to two hours to get a serviceman over here. I lose business yet I am paying CP&L their money.

David Winters (Chief Executive Office of the First State Bank) "I would appreciate it if CP&L would put a serviceman here."

NOT ONE PERSON INTERVIEWED WAS IN FAVOR OF CP&L NOT REPLACING THE LOCAL SERVICEMAN.

Another interesting sidelight happened during the City Council Meeting, Monday night. A resident that lives two doors west of City Hall walked in and announced to City Manger, Tim Ward, that his power was out and he had not been able to contact CP&L. City Manager Wasr asked City Judge Louis Starzel to contact the company. In a few minutes Starzel returned to the room and announced the Del Rio number did not answer. Mr. Ward then gave the name of the Manager in Del Rio. He was finally contacted at home. Needless to say the City Council was not impress with CP&L's claim that our service would not suffer.

A presentation was given explaining the purpose and goals of the "Friends Of the Library" along with a comprehensive explanation of the services of the library.

New Members are continuing to join the "Rriends" some of whom are: Mr. and Mrs. Al Bacon; Miss Candy Bader; Mrs. Melba Bader Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mills; Martha Munoz; Betty Lou Meyer; Mr. and Mrs. Buster Schwandner; Mrs. Gita Conally; Mr. and Mrs. Gloria Benacci; along with several who have be members since the "Friends re-organized....Julian Lucas; Lois Forbes; Charolette Corey, Helen Huebner; Mr. and Mrs. Charles SHipman; Maria Cursio; and Mr. and Mrs. Majorie Moore; Sandy Herman Mary Rasch; Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell Else Sauer; and Charlotte Golemon.

Kinney County LIBRARY

Dear K.C.,

.....A Book Fair is in progress at the Kinney County Library. Hardbacks are being sold for 25¢ each and paperbacks are being sold five for a \$1.00. All proceeds will be used to aid the Library, so come by and purchase something to read from the selection on the BOOKS SALES TABLE.

New films are in and are available for being reserved along with the projector and screen.

We want to thank Mr. Frances Larson for inviting Mrs. Corey to be the guest speaker at last Thursday's Lions' Club meeting.



Los Dos Laredos on the Rio Grande

By Connie Sherley
Texas Travel News

LAREDO—When Texans say, "Los Dos Laredos," they mean the twin cities separated by a river that's also the international border between the United States and Mexico.

On the Texas side, where Laredo is situated, the river is known as the Rio Grande. On the opposite bank, in Nuevo Laredo, it's called the Rio Bravo.

Time was when the cities were united as capital of the Republic of the Rio Grande, formed in 1840 when the area between the Nueces and Rio Grande rivers was left under Mexican rule after the rest of Texas became independent.

The residents were neglected by the autocratic Mexican ruler, Santa Anna, and declared their independence. Fighting ensued that culminated four years later in the annexation of part of the area by Texas, with the remainder remaining as part of Mexico.

Adjacent to the charming La Posada motor hotel is the building that served as the tiny republic's capital. It is maintained by the Laredo Historical Society and has many interesting exhibits. The La Posada, by the way, has a fine courtyard swimming pool and excellent dining facilities. Also deserving praise in Laredo is the Hilton Hotel, with a rooftop lounge overlooking both Laredos.

Citizens of the two cities move back and forth across the pair of international bridges on foot or in vehicles. No passports are ne-

cessary, only an oral declaration to customs officials concerning citizenship.

Pesos and dollars are interchanged for purchases in both cities, and prices are quoted in both currencies.

Most residents speak English and Spanish as dual tongues. There is a bit of Spanglish, too, a mixture of the two languages.

In this part of South Texas spring arrives early and summer lingers so long that winter scarcely is noticed. There can be a bit of cold in January, of course. The lifestyle is easy, with emphasis here on the outdoors. The wide open spaces make the sky seem bigger and bluer.

Laredo has been experiencing a growth associated with gas discoveries, the city's importance as a shipping point via both rail and highway, and the popularity of fishing in Falcon Lake and Lake Casa Blanca and hunting for whitetail deer, javelina, wild doves and wild turkeys.

For information you may write to the Chamber of Commerce, Dept. GW, Box 790, Laredo 78040.

For general information about travel in Texas you should write Dept. GW, TEXAS, Box 5064, Austin 78763.



NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE

The **Brackett** Independent School District proposes to increase taxes by four (4) percent.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on **August 27, 1979** at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Brackett** Independent School District Administration Building, **Ann street, Brackettville, Texas**

The **Brackett** ISD Board of Trustees has considered the proposal and voted in a meeting of the school board as follows:

FOR the proposal to increase taxes:

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| Henry Fuentes | BOARD PRESIDENT |
| Hadley Wardlaw | BOARD MEMBER |
| Rose Ann York | BOARD MEMBER |
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ABSENT and not voting:

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*By H. B. (Hank) Harkins, President,
Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association*

Federal controls on domestic crude oil prices began in August of 1971. Since then, these controls have continued under congressional authority and have resulted in keeping the wellhead prices of most U.S. oil below the world market level.

Example: In March, 1979, the Department of Energy's composite price for U.S. crude was \$9.83 per barrel. The world market price then was \$14.54. The average price for oil from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries jumped to \$20.00 following their recent meeting in Geneva.

Under existing law, the gradual, two-year process of phasing out these federal price controls has begun. All controls on domestic oil prices are to be lifted by Sept. 30, 1981.

With true decontrol, U.S. oil would be priced at market value. Thus, oil and gas producers could begin to recoup some of the \$5-billion — authorized under present law — which the federal government's pricing policies have denied them. But, there is a downside:

President Carter has proposed a "windfall profits" tax to accompany decontrol of U.S. oil. Taking his lead, the House of Representatives has adopted an extremely complex tax proposal designed to take most of the extra revenue which oil producers might realize through decontrol. The House proposal contains no provisions for exemption if the money is plowed back into exploration and production efforts.

These earnings represent capital that oil and gas producers in Texas and throughout the nation need to find and produce more domestic oil. Only in this way can we make any headway against this nation's energy shortfall. Every dollar taken from the oil industry for the purpose of funding federal spending programs is one less dollar available for investment in exploration and production.

The citizens of this country need and deserve an end to federal price controls on domestic oil, an action which will help restore confidence and generate an

McBEE APPOINTED

AUSTIN--State Representative Susan McBee of Del Rio has been reappointed to the Texas Legislative Council by Speaker of the House Bill Clayton.

All 10 House Members serving two-year terms on the council were reappointed by Clayton.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby chairs the council and Clayton is vice-chairman.

The Councils for the past 30 years has been the major research and staff agency of the Legislature. The council investigates and studies functions and problems of departments, agencies and officers of the state. It makes studies and gathers information for the legislative branch between legislative sessions and supervises final preparation of all proposed legislation.

It is the duty of the legislative members of the council to provide direction by assigning the council projects and maintaining budget oversight of council operations.

"Reappointment of Rep. McBee and the other members to the council is justified because of the past service they have provided. They have set high marks in advising the council and I believe the standard of excellence will be maintained by their re-appointment," Clayton said of the selections.

Rep. McBee is serving her third term in the House. She is chairman of the Elections committee, vice chairman of the Calendars Committee, and member of the Agriculture and Livestock Committee.

adequate level of investment. The distortions such controls have produced have benefitted no American in the long run. They have encouraged unbridled consumption and waste. And, by continuing to reduce production incentives, the Congress has invited the exporting countries to continue with their price hikes and production limits.

Decontrol of domestic oil prices is inevitable and necessary. But, decontrol tied to a confiscatory excise tax which would take most of these new revenues that U.S. oil producers need to expand their operations is not "true" decontrol.

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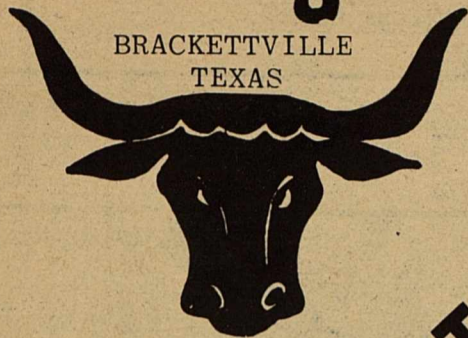
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BRACKETT ISD
Kinney County, Texas
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Board of Equalization of the above named School District will convene at 9:00 a.m. on August 27, 1979, at the Tax Office in said School District:

To receive all assessment lists, or books of the Tax-Assessor Collector for inspection, correction or equalization and approval. The Board of Equalization will be in session until all tax assessments have been equalized and approved.

This Notice is given pursuant to Texas Rev. Civ. Stat. Ann. Art 6242-17.

CANCER ANSWER LINE

American Cancer Society

M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute

A saleswoman writes: "I am in my early 40's, am healthy and have no history of breast cancer in my family or any other risk factors. I was told that I shouldn't have routine breast x-rays until I am 50. What kind of examinations should I be having?"

ANSWERline: First of all, you should be examining your breasts yourself each month for any possible changes. Breast self-examination is a lifesaving habit that women of all ages should acquire and complete and easy instructions are available from local units of the American Cancer Society free of charge. Also, each year you should have your breasts examined by a physician who will also go over your medical history. Naturally, if you notice any changes in your breasts between these annual checkups, you should see your physician as soon as possible.

A reader shares this experience: "Ten years ago in my third pregnancy I developed a very rare form of cancer called choriocarcinoma. I was successfully treated and I am very much alive. I think that your readers would be encouraged to learn about what's being accomplished."

ANSWERline: Choriocarcinoma is a rare form of cancer which develops after pregnancy, and used to kill women. But in 1955, two scientists, Drs. Min Chiu Li and Roy Hertz, treated a young woman with advanced choriocarcinoma with a drug that made the cancer disappear. Today, 27 years after their original discovery, some of the first patients that they treated are still alive and well. Now, using a combination

of drugs, physicians are able to cure between 95 and 100 percent of women in whom the disease is detected in an early stage and achieve remission (disappearance) of the disease in 75% of women with advanced choriocarcinoma. This achievement is important not only for the women with this particular form of cancer, it is another medical milestone in the use of drugs to treat cancer.

A lithographer asks: "Who is more likely to get cancer—a man or a woman?"

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Do you have further questions? Call your local unit of the American Cancer Society or call M. D. Anderson Hospital & Tumor Institute's Cancer Information Service, 1-800-392-2040 toll-free in Texas, 792-3245 in the Houston area.

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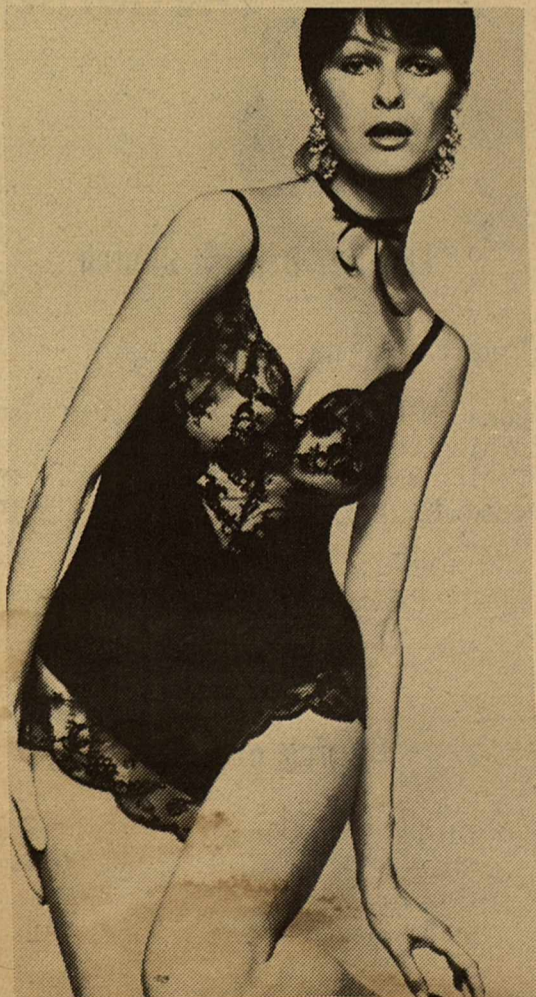
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