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



San Antonio Brass, from left, Peter Kline - trombone, Jan Tracey - tuba, Stuart Smith - trumpet, James Baker - horn, and Gabriel Rosas - trumpet, will be playing a program that includes: LaPeri Fanfare, Canzona Bergamasca, Scherzo, Maggie By My Side, The Entertainer, Little Brown Jug, Polka, from The Age of Gold, Melodies of Mexico, Finale to Quintet No. 1, and Stars and Stripes Forever.

San Antonio Brass Concert Tomorrow Night

The San Antonio Brass will present a concert at the Fort Clark Springs Amphitheater, tomorrow night, April 21, at 8:00 p.m. The open air amphitheater is a perfect setting for the brass concert.

Tickets are \$3 and are available at the First State Bank, The Brackett News, FCS Member Services and Fort Clark Springs Adult Center, or

at the gate. They may also be obtained in advance by calling 563-2195.

The ensemble will present concerts for Brackett School students during the afternoon of Friday, April 21.

The performance is sponsored locally for area residents by the Kinney County Arts Council in cooperation with the Texas Arts Council.

BISD Students Will See San Antonio Brass

The San Antonio Brass will give three concerts to BISD students on April 21. The schedule will be:
12:30 Jones Elementary and Brackett Middle School
1:15 Brackett High School
2:30 Brackett Band Demonstration



Veterans: Your Service Officer Is In Kinney County Each 1st Thurs.

Juan Mirales, Veterans Service Officer for Kinney County, is in Kinney County on a regular basis. He can be seen at the Kinney County Judge's Conference Room on the first Thursday of each month. All veterans are welcome to stop by and visit with him and he either has the

answer, or will get the answer, to veteran's concerns. No appointment is necessary but it is advisable to go as early in the day as possible.

Mr. Mirales' main office is in Del Rio and he can be reached by calling 210-774-7548 between his visits to Brackettville.

Barbeque

In conjunction with the concert, the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce offers a barbeque chicken meal with beans, rice, tortillas, iced tea, and the trimmings for \$3.50 per plate. The barbeque will be at the MUD site adjacent to the Swim Park. Advance tickets are not being sold for the barbeque - it's pay

at the "chow line." Serving will start at 6:00 p.m.

For a fun evening, come eat barbeque and listen to the San Antonio Brass Concert.

BHS Golf Teams Boys A, Boys B Girls Will Compete In Region Tourney

Monday & Tuesday
April 24 & 25
San Marcos

Girls Bi-District Softball Game vs Devine Thurs., Apr. 27 5:30 p.m. At Brackett Softball Field

Breakfast Will Honor All WWII Veterans Sunday, May 7 Details Later

QCCADA Will Serve County From Judge's Conference Room

At 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 13, 1995, the Kinney County Commissioners met to take up items from Monday's recessed session and items from a properly posted special agenda.

Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Joe Montalvo, Cordelia Mendeke, and Paul O'Rourke were present. Judge Tommy Seargeant presided.

Department heads and budget managers had previously been contacted with a request to present plans of intent as to how they could cut their remaining 1994-95 budget by 10% with cuts to become effective April 13. It was indicated that a cooperative response had been received.

Jeri Thompson, chairman of the Library Advisory Board, spoke for the county library and pledged conformity although all figures could not be compiled immediately. Sheriff Hooten was present and reported that he had been told to expect 10 federal prisoners within a few days although an earlier expectation of 13 did not materialize, he had also been told that the reason federal prisoners had not been sent to Kinney County was because prisoner slots had been available in federal prisons that had to be filled first. Rancher Stan Conolly and predator control officer Gary Lettauer expressed appreciation for the Trapping Club being included in county funding for predator control in over one million acres in Kinney County. In response to questions, Mr. Lettauer said that coyotes in the rabies vaccine drop zone were being collected for statistics, and that strain of rabies had not yet reached Kinney County although rabid foxes were of major concern in the immediate area.

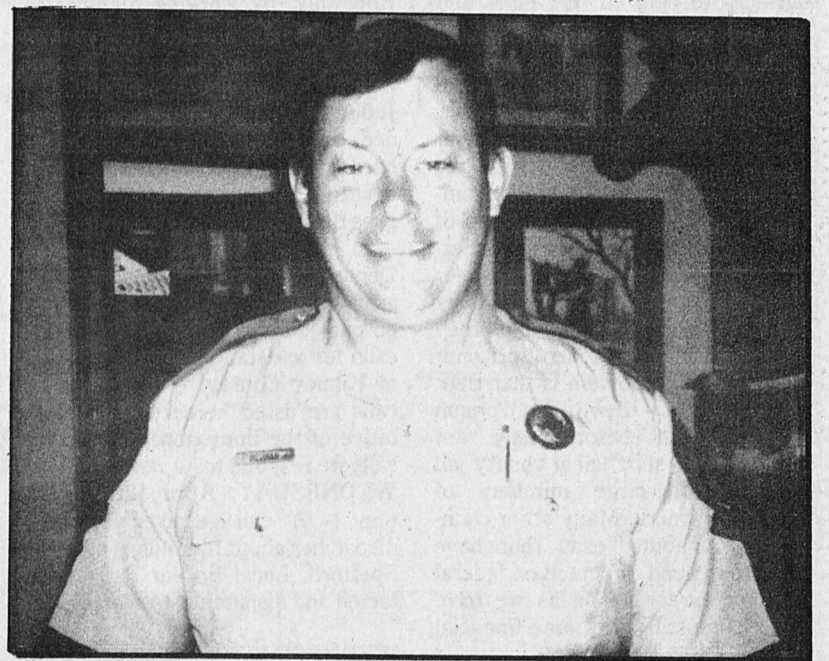
Judge Seargeant reported that through Joy Ralston, local JTPA field specialist, an agreement had been reached that provided 1/2 of his secretary's salary through the JTPA "On Job Training" for six months.

A lone bid had been received for the purchase of two vehicles for the AANTF. Project manager Steve Woollen reviewed the bid and confirmed that the vehicles met all specifications and were slightly less than the projected costs. On a motion by Paul O'Rourke, seconded by Freddie Frerich, all four commissioners voted to award the bid to Graf & Barton at a combined cost of \$44,630.

Simon Sotelo, QCCADA (Quad County Council Alcohol Drug Abuse) related that the council was funded through the Texas Commission Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and their mission was identification/prevention/referral services in Val Verde, Kinney, Maverick, and Edwards counties. All they were asking for was office space one day per week so they could see clients locally, and the appointment of two citizens to an advisory board. The judge offered the use of his conference room with the stipulation that it was already in use on the first Thursday of each month by the Veterans Service Officer. Frerich made the motion to make the judge's conference room available with the day to be announced. The second came from Mendeke and all four commissioners voted for the motion.

A discussion ensued concerning contract management services of county jails and juvenile detention centers. Various ideas were discussed but this was not an agenda item to be considered. Also possibilities of contracting with other counties and the state for housing overflow populations were discussed. Sheriff Hooten and the court listened attentively but non-committal.

Frerich moved to pay bills as mentioned, Montalvo seconded the motion which passed with all commissioners making the approval.



Kinney County's Own On The Job Welcome To Highway Patrolman Richard Slubar

Kinney County again has two full time highway patrolmen. On April 1, 1995, Kinney County native Richard Slubar joined Robert Cano at the Brackettville office of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The son of Rose Mary and Dennis Slubar, Richard graduated from Brackett High School in 1981. While working with his father at Slubar Insurance Agency, Richard was invited by Mr. Cano to ride with him on patrol. After several such excursions, Cano offered Slubar an application for the highway patrol. That was about eight years ago.

Slubar applied, was accepted, attended the Academy (finest in the nation) at Austin, sailed through the rigorous routine of IQ testing, reading comprehension, physical training, extensive back ground checks, and oral interviews at the academy. He was then assigned to the Eagle Lake area where for seven years he patrolled Interstate 10 east of Houston.

He requested a transfer to Brackettville which had had a vacancy off and on since Buddy Burgess retired last year.

During the seven years Slubar was stationed at Eagle Lake, he met and married lovely Mindy, a native of El Campo. They are proud to be at this duty station even though they are still in the house hunting process.

Slubar is friendly, outgoing, confident, physically fit, and has a delightful sense of humor. In casual conversation he recalls numerous incidents while going through the Academy and at his previous location. One incident he recalled with a grin was of having stopped a car at about 12:30 one day near Columbus for a minor traffic violation and an small, intoxicated 62-year old man "piled out swinging his fists." Now, he can laugh at how motorists stared as the scuffling duo as they sped by without stopping to assist.

From his school days at Brackett, he said he used to play at Bud Breen's house and would peer over Bud's shoulder as he painted. His oft repeated question was, "What is that going to be?" Bud would just keep painting and patiently reply, "I don't know, I haven't decided yet."

On a serious note, Slubar said that although he worked solo most of the time, he was completely confident of his own training, experience, and skills and he knew that any time he needed assistance, it would come from the local border patrol, the sheriff's department, and other highway patrol units.

Richard Slubar, with your infectious grin, thank you for choosing to come home to work and God keep you safe.



Hernandez, TxDOT, Informs Local Rotarians Of Plans & Laws

Thursday, April 13, 1995, Maintenance Supervisor Juan Hernandez, Texas Department of Transportation, Brackettville Office, was guest speaker at the Brackettville Rotary Club. Mr. Hernandez was transferred to Brackettville almost two years ago and holds the job formerly held by Daniel Kral.

He related that Kinney County had 200 lane miles of state highway and he, with his ten employees in Kinney County, were responsible for maintenance as well as a number of other public safety and transportation concerns. Widening two miles of Highway 334 is scheduled to begin in the near future. He discussed and distributed brochures with at least two needing mention: following an accident, if a vehicle could create a hazard and can be

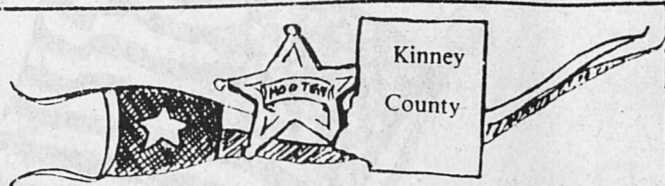
moved, the law says it must be moved; and another very important one deals with child restraint (while passengers in moving vehicles) laws. He also distributed Texas Highway Department maps (the best map of Texas printed), and bumper stickers pertaining to seat belt use.

Mr. Hernandez stated that the state, too, was facing budget cuts and he expected more and more services to be contracted out.

Mr. Hernandez is another example of outstanding leadership Kinney County is blessed with...knowledgeable, presentable, proud of his profession, secure in the fact that he is doing his job well, and willing to share information with the community.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Kinney County is currently experiencing a very serious financial crisis caused by many factors, though the two primary causes are being attributed, rightfully so, to a decrease in income from two primary sources of cash flow income to the county: DPS Highway Patrol traffic citations and federal prisoner care income through the county jail.

Due to the financial crisis the County Commissioners, County Judge, and the various department heads have been meeting in Special Meetings in an attempt to address the serious issue and come up with ideas to help get us through this dark time. The Commissioners Court has asked the various department heads to make voluntary 10% cuts in existing departmental budget balances to help cut expenses and this has been done. This is, of course, only a temporary "band-aid" and does not address the overall problem.

County Judge Tommy Seargeant has been working closely with this writer in attempts to obtain commitments from the U.S. Bureau of Prisons and the U.S. Marshal's Service to enhance the federal prisoner numbers at the county jail. They have promised to try and do all they can to increase our federal prisoner numbers. The problem is that BOP must fill up their own prison facilities first before they are authorized to start using county jail facilities for large numbers of federal prisoners. Many other counties throughout Texas that have come to depend too much on federal prisoner care revenue as we have are experiencing the same financial crunches.

Judge Seargeant and I have also met on several occasions to discuss

other avenues and possibilities of obtaining paying prisoners from other sources such as prisoners from other counties that have an overflow and/or state prisoners. To date no solid decision has been made, however, the Bureau of Prisons has recently designated eight federal prisoners to the Kinney County Jail which will give us a total of ten. At \$35.00 per man-day this will give us a monthly income of some \$10,500.00, about half our usual income when things are normal. But this will help and every effort is being made by the Commissioners Court and the various elected officials/department heads to somehow survive this current financial crisis without having to lay off employees and/or cut services to people. Hopefully, by working together in the spirit of mutual cooperation this can and will be accomplished. The Commissioners Court and County Judge Seargeant are to be commended on their efforts during these hard times. They are doing their best to hold things together until we pass through this crisis.

In the meantime, the Sheriff's Department is going about business as usual and we have been kept busy on patrol and responding to various calls for assistance from the people of Kinney County. A few of those calls are listed herein as representative of the numerous and similar calls we respond to.

WEDNESDAY, April 12th - 6:00 p.m. - A call received by S.O. dispatcher about four illegal aliens in Spofford. Local Border Patrol contacted and dispatched to scene.

WEDNESDAY, April 12th - 7:42 p.m. - S.O. dispatcher contacted by a local tavern bartender about an

unruly patron. Patrol Deputy Chism dispatched to scene and the problem taken care of. No charges filed.

THURSDAY, April 13th - 1:19 a.m. - Local housewife contacted S.O. dispatcher about prowlers at rear of her home. Patrol Deputy Chism contacted and dispatched to scene, arriving at 1:24 a.m., response time 5 minutes. Prowlers contacted and identified, due to their being juveniles were sent home with admonitions. No charges filed.

THURSDAY, April 13th - 6:30 p.m. - Local resident contacted S.O. dispatcher by mobile phone to report loose cattle on roadway south of Spofford. S.O. dispatcher contacted owner of cattle and the cattle were removed from the roadway and put back in a pasture.

THURSDAY, April 13th - 1:00 p.m. - Local rancher contacted S.O. dispatcher to report that two illegal aliens had been passing through his land and that one of them, a female, had fallen and injured her leg, possibly broken. He advised the S.O. to contact the Border Patrol and advise them that he was transporting the pair to the hospital in Uvalde. Border Patrol so advised.

THURSDAY, April 13 - 1:30 p.m. - A local resident called the S.O. dispatcher to report a swarm of bees at her residence. Attempts to contact local beekeepers were negative. The bees finally left the residence with no harm to anyone.

THURSDAY, April 13 - 4:46 p.m. - Local homeowner contacted the S.O. dispatcher to report a burglary at her residence had occurred while she was out of town. Several items of personal property were taken, no sign of forced entry. The case is currently under investigation.

THURSDAY, April 13th - 6:53 p.m. - S.O. dispatcher contacted by Spofford resident who reported a brush fire on Hwy. 1572 approximately 3 miles east of Spofford. Fire Department contacted and dispatched to scene and the fire was put out.

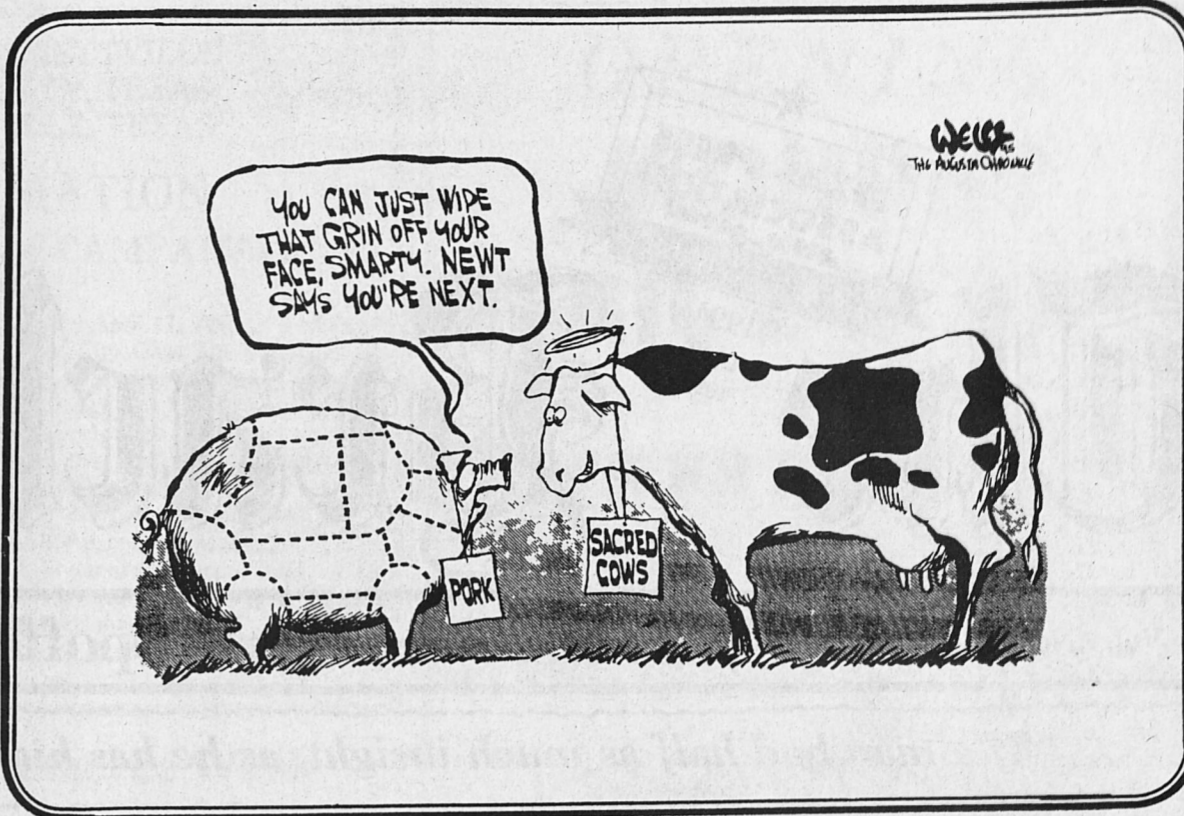
SATURDAY, April 15th - 9:08 p.m. - Local resident called the S.O. to report that his son was drunk and disorderly and threatening to burn the house down. He requested an officer at the scene. Chief Deputy Fritter responded to the call and the situation was resolved with no charges filed.

SUNDAY, April 16th - 3:04 a.m. - A local resident called the S.O. to report a one car rollover on Hwy. 90 approximately two miles west of Brackettville. Patrol Deputy Chism responded to the scene of the accident at 3:10 a.m. No serious injuries though the female driver of the vehicle was later transported to Val Verde Hospital for a check-up. She had dodged a deer on the road and overcompensated and the car went off the roadway on the wrong side of the road, then back onto the highway, overturning and sliding across the highway on its side. When going into the bar ditch the car righted itself and ended up back on its wheels. Quite a wild ride for the driver. No charges filed.

SUNDAY, April 16th - 1:14 p.m. - A Uvalde woman called the Kinney County S.O. to report a domestic dispute with her husband earlier that morning in which she had been assaulted by her husband. She did not want to file any charges but just wanted to report the incident so that there would be a record of it. HUM!

MONDAY, April 17th - 9:52 a.m. - Nutrition Center Director Tencha Pena called the S.O. to report the theft of four hubcaps from one of the Nutrition Center vans the night before. The case is under investigation.

That's All!



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



About 25 years ago I was in Baltimore, Maryland, for a revival meeting when I drove into a filling station. The attendant looked at my Texas license on the car and asked what part of Texas I was from. I said, "Brackettville." He said he'd been there. He and his wife had seen The Alamo and decided to come to the place where it was made.

He said, "Do you know Happy Shahan?" I said, "Yes." I was driving across the Arizona desert and stopped at a lonely filling station seemingly lost in the desert. An elderly, bearded, rugged looking man asked where in Texas I was from. When I said Brackettville he looked like he's just won the lottery. He said, "I know where that is; it's where 'The Alamo' was filmed. This was 30 years ago."

Recently Happy Shahan was honored for bringing movie making to Texas.

While "The Alamo" was not the first movie Happy was instrumental in bringing to Texas, it was "The Alamo" which put Brackettville on the map.

There's no way to estimate the miles, hours, and telephone calls Happy has expended, all of which benefited Brackettville and Texas.

His recent feting by the movie interests across Texas was not only well deserved but long overdue.

No one has even remotely promoted and helped this town, county, and area as has Happy Shahan. This includes the total community.

He and Virginia gave the land where First Baptist Church is located and paid the tab for moving

the chapel he had paid for from Fort Clark to be the present place of worship.

He was the key person in the building of the present Frontier Baptist church.

His physical and spiritual contributions even exceeded his monetary contributions.

When the Chamber of Commerce revived (after being non-existent for 16 years) Happy became a key to the successes marking Chamber activities for many years.

When Bud Breen presented the idea of a fair to the Chamber board, Happy became an ardent and active promoter.

Alamo Village plays a major role in the life of the community.

In thinking back over the last 40 years, it's hard to comprehend that any one man could do all that Happy Shahan has done.

Every time I see a Longhorn, I think about how Happy brought to life an almost extinct breed of cattle and now Longhorn cattle are wide

spread. None of all this could have happened without the support of Happy's wife, Virginia. A stalwart in her right, an understanding mate and strong encouragement to Happy, Virginia deserves a great deal of respect and credit for what the HV

brand stands for and the benevolence of the Shahan name.

Kudos to Happy and Virginia Shahan.

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"Mr. Evans" "Dually"

The Spanish goat kid, born with six legs, shown below is the property of Mr. Sterling Evans. Although two of the back legs are slightly shorter than the other two, the kid is alert and mobile.



Election Notice

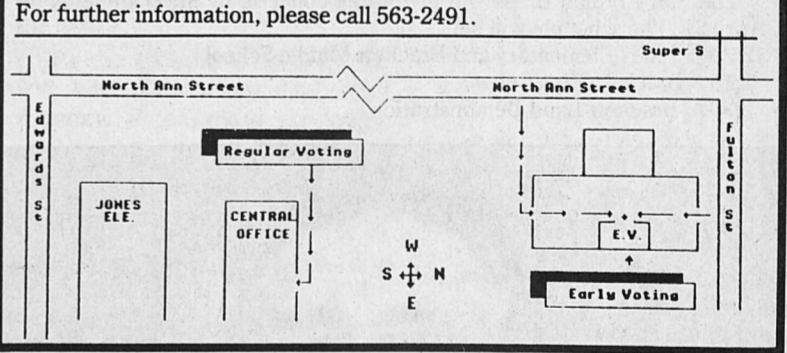
School Board Trustees

Brackett I.S.D.

The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees will hold a general election for three (3) trustee positions for terms of three (3) years on May 6, 1995. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. the polling place is the Central Office at Brackett I.S.D. located at 400 North Ann Street.

Early Voting will be held in the High School Principal's office located in Building 700, High School Annex, SE Corner of Ann and Fulton. Early Voting will be conducted from April 17 through May 2, 1995, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Address for Early Voting is:
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As some of you know we have been asked to cut our budget by 10%. Fortunately we have the Friends of the Library who are always ready to help us out. Therefore, our hours will stay the same and our patrons will not feel any changes. Our most sincere thanks to Earlene Swanson and Mary Mitchell for their help.

As always we invite you to visit the friendliest little library in Kinney County.
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Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



If you missed the Community Easter Sunrise Service, you missed a great opportunity.

There has come to our community a fine man and his wife. He brings a rich and illustrious background. He was the speaker at the Sunrise Service. He was outstanding.

The audience gave a round of applause when he finished.

He is not only a fine preacher, he is a very personable individual. To meet him is to feel instant rapport.

He is the minister of the Church of Christ and has received a warm welcome by his congregation.

Surely Ray Melton is an "Unsung Hero."

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



Six tables played the Mitchell Movement at the Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club on Tuesday, April 11.

Lamont and Marie McCandless won first place in the N/S Direction. Vernon and Betty Ebert won second place with Joyce Bell and Alice Seargeant winning third place.

Nancy O'Brien and Joan Lindley won first place in the E/W direction. Gertie and Arnie Trautwein won second place with Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford winning third.

Around the Fort



Monday, April 17, 1995, the flag pole on the Parade Ground was being repainted. The pole is about 85 feet tall and at this point the painter was about 30 feet from the ground.

Russell Williams, Fort Clark Maintenance Supervisor, was

"supervising" and made sure he had both feet firmly on the ground!

Other clean-up, paint-up, fix-up activities are taking place all over the Fort which has never looked more beautiful.

The Troopers who arrive for Reunion next week-end will find everything in order.

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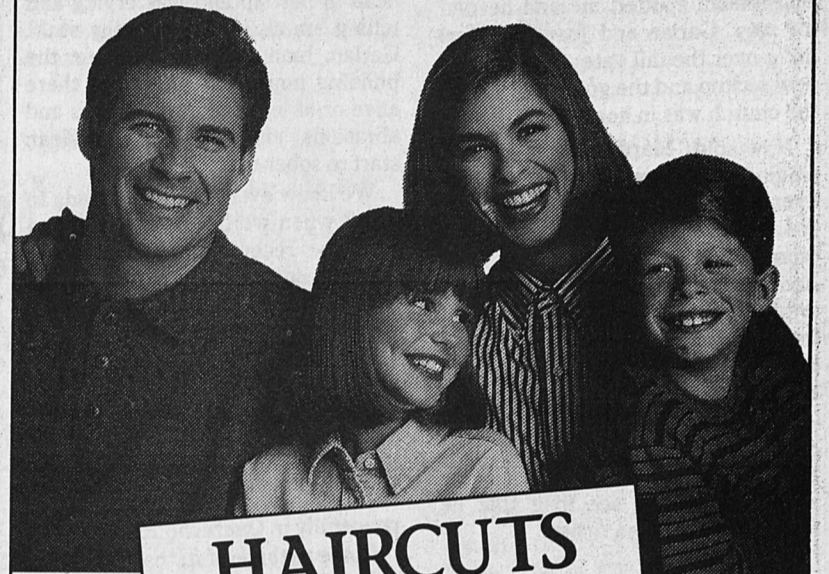
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"B" NAMES IN SPORTS

Fort Clark Art Group Sketch Alamo Village

Happy Shahan treated members of the Fort Clark Art Group to an afternoon of sketching at Alamo Village. Ten art enthusiasts armed with sketch pads and pencils spent a Wednesday drawing Western scenes. They also took photographs to help them turn their choice subjects into paintings back at the Fort Clark art studio. Drop by on Mondays and Saturdays and see the result of this project. The Art Group wishes to extend thanks to Happy Shahan for his gracious invitation.

Mrs. Frances McMaster, president of the Fort Clark Art Group, won first place in the oil painting category and an honorable mention in the miniature category in the current Del Rio Art League show. Mrs. McMaster has nine paintings being shown: three oils; three pastels; and three miniatures.

The picture that won first place is entitled "The Pharr Family Orchestra," and was rendered from a photograph taken near the turn of the century. Each member of the family is shown seated with his or her instrument. Among them is Mrs. McMaster's father at the drums. Her grandmother is holding a violin, as is her uncle, Burnet "Blondie" Pharr. Mr. Pharr later became director of the Texas Longhorn Band and wrote the lyrics to the Texas Fight Song.

Mrs. McMaster's picture that won an Honorable Mention Award in the miniature category is entitled "Doe Listening."

The show will hang until May 4 at the Del Rio Firehouse, and everyone is cordially invited to drop by and see it.



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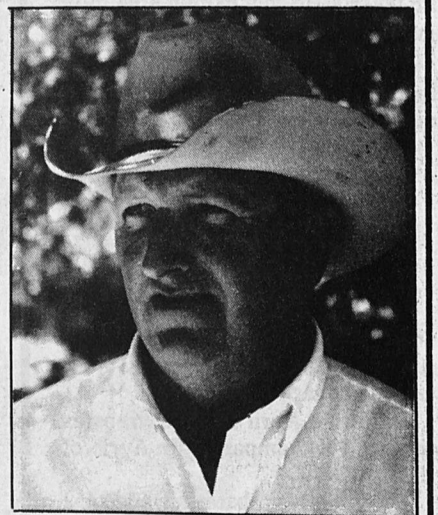
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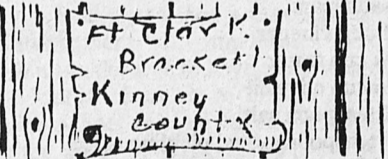
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Community Calendar



- 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 County Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thurs, 7:30 p.m., FC Rest.
- 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., Shafter Hall.
- 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, 9 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 #8380 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, 6 p.m. Pot Luck, 7:00 p.m. Meetings, Service Center.
- 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 Thursdays, 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, Slator Hall, Please make reservations.
- Kinney County Heritage Museum: 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m., Filippone Building.

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Moncus' Musings



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Park Ranger, Interpreter
Bastrop State Park

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County Agent News

by Alan L. McWilliams



LOQUAT JAM

5 cups loquats
1 box fruit pectin
7 cups sugar
Wash fruit well. Cut off both ends and remove seeds if desired. Place fruit in a saucepan with a small amount of water. Cook slowly and mash with a potato masher occasionally until well done. Stir occasionally to prevent sticking.
Add the pectin to the fruit and stir well. Let the mixture come to a rolling boil stirring occasionally to prevent sticking. Add sugar and boil to a rolling boil for 1 minute.

KUMQUAT MARMALADE

3 quarts water
2 cups thinly sliced kumquats
1 1/2 sliced orange peel
1 1/2 cups chopped orange pulp
1/2 cup lemon juice
Sugar, about 9 cups
Add water to fruit; cover and let stand in a cool place overnight. Bring to boiling and cook until peel is tender. To each cup of fruit mixture, add 1 cup sugar. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Cook rapidly to jelling point, about 45 minutes. Stir occasionally to prevent sticking. Pour boiling hot into jars and process 10 minutes. Yield: about 8 half pints.

POMEGRANATE JELLY

4 cups pomegranate juice
(1 large pomegranate gives between 1/2 and 3/4 cup juice)
1 bottle liquid pectin
Shell out juice filled sacs. Crush and press to remove juice. Strain into non-metal container through double thickness of white cloth.
Measure juice into kettle. Stir in sugar. Place on high heat and stir constantly. Bring quickly to a full rolling boil that cannot be stirred down. Add the pectin and heat again to full rolling boil. Boil hard for 1 minute.
Remove from heat; skim off foam quickly. Pour jelly immediately into hot jars and seal. Yield: 11 or 12 six-ounce glasses.

CACTUS FRUIT JELLY

3 1/4 cups juice from cooked fruit
Juice of 2 lemons
1 bottle liquid pectin
8 level cups sugar
Remove fine thorns and blossom ends from 3 pounds of ripe cactus fruit. Cut into small pieces, crush and add 1 cup water. Stir until boiling, cover pan and simmer 10 minutes. Place in cheese cloth bag and squeeze out juice.
Measure sugar into a separate pan. Bring juice and pectin just to boil, stirring constantly, and begin to add sugar slowly with constant stirring, taking about 5 minutes to add sugar, and keeping juice nearly at a boil. Then bring to a rolling boil and boil 1/2 minute. Remove from fire, let stand a few minutes, skim, pour quickly into jars and seal hot.

MESQUITE BEAN JELLY

4 cups bean juice
4 cups sugar
1 pkg Sure-Jell
Pick a handful of ripe mesquite beans. Wash them and put in a pot. Cover with water; bring to a boil. Boil about 15 to 20 minutes. Let cool and strain through a clean cloth. Put 4 cups of juice in a clean pot. Add 1 pkg. of Sure-Jell and bring to a boil. Boil for 1 minute. Add 4 cups of sugar, bring to a boil, boil 1 minute. Pour in jars and seal while hot.
Bill & Judy Jones, Houston
Gladys & Bob Zienert, Macdonia
Courtesy of the Institute of Texan Cultures

PYRACANTHA JELLY

Place 7 cups washed pyracantha berries in a very large pan with 5 cups of water. Simmer, uncovered, for 20 minutes. Strain through a cloth.
Measure 3 cups of berry juice, 1/2 cup lemon juice and 7 cups sugar into a very large pan. Over high heat, bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Immediately stir in one bottle liquid pectin. Bring to a full rolling boil for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, skim off foam and pour into sterilized glasses. Cover with 1/8 inch melted paraffin. (Prepared berry juice may be refrigerated or frozen prior to making jelly)

LOQUAT JELLY

Wash loquats and remove seeds. Place in saucepan and add enough water to barely cover fruit. Cook gently for 10 to 15 minutes, then strain through jelly bag or four layers of cheese cloth. (For greater yield of juice, twist the two ends of the bag in opposite directions until most of the juice is extracted. Then, strain through clean cheese cloth or jelly bag, but do not squeeze or press.)
Use three cups juice to two cups water (this makes a tart jelly.) Measure juice, add sugar and stir to dissolve. Cook rapidly (boil) to jelling point. Skim and pour boiling hot into jelly glasses. Seal and when jars are cold, test for seal.

FIG PICKLES

4 quarts firm-ripe figs
3 cups sugar
2 quarts water
2 cups sugar
2 sticks cinnamon
3 cups vinegar
1 tablespoon whole cloves
1 tablespoon whole allspice
Peel figs. (If unpeeled are preferred, pour boiling water over figs and let stand until cool. Drain.) Add 3 cups sugar to water and cook until the sugar dissolves. Add figs and cook slowly 30 minutes. Add 2 cups sugar and vinegar. Tie spices in a cheese cloth bag; add to figs. Cook gently until figs are clear. Cover and let stand 12 to 24 hours in a cool place. Remove spice bag. Heat to simmering. Pack hot into hot Ball jars, leaving 1/4 inch head space. Adjust caps. Process pints and quarts 15 minutes in boiling water bath. Yield: about 8 pints.

HOT PEPPER JELLY

3/4 cup bell pepper, ground
1/4 cup jalapeno peppers (seeds ground)
5 cups sugar
1 cup apple cider vinegar
1 bottle liquid pectin
Green food coloring
Mix together peppers, sugar and vinegar. Bring to boil. Boil 5 minutes. Cool. Add pectin. Add green food coloring. Pour into hot sterilized jars and seal.

This week's article deals with something that I receive calls about at different times of the year. We have a variety of things growing in our backyards that can be made into unusual and very tasty jams and jellies. Here are some of the more popular ones that have been "tried and tested" over the years. We seem to have a bumper crop of loquats this year judging from the trees all over town. I have included recipes using prickly pear, mesquite beans, jalapenos, watermelon rinds, persimmons, and loquats.

Unusual Jams and Jellies

WATERMELON RIND PRESERVES

1 1/2 qts. prepared watermelon rind
4 tablespoons salt
2 quarts cold water
1 lemon, thinly sliced
1 tablespoon ground ginger
4 cups sugar
1/4 cup lemon juice
7 cups water

To prepared watermelon rind, trim green skin and pink flesh from thick watermelon rind; cut into 1-inch pieces. Dissolve salt in 2 quarts water and pour over rind. Let stand 5 to 6 hours if salt is used. Drain; rinse and drain again. Cover with cold water and let stand 30 minutes. Drain. Sprinkle ginger over rind; cover with water and cook until fork tender. Drain. Combine sugar, lemon juice and 7 cups water. Boil 5 minutes; add rind and boil gently for 30 minutes. Add sliced lemon and cook until the melon rind is clear. Pack, boiling hot, into hot Ball jars, leaving 1/4 inch head space. Adjust caps. Process half pints and pints 20 minutes at 180° - 185° F. in hot water bath. Yield: about 6 half pints.

MOCK STRAWBERRY PRESERVES

Combine in large saucepan and let stand until syrup forms:
2 quarts peeled, sliced figs
6 cups sugar
2 pkgs. (6 oz.) or 4 pkgs. (3 oz.) strawberry flavored gelatin
Bring to boil. Continue boiling for 20 minutes. Add:
1 pkg. (1 1/4 oz.) powdered fruit pectin. Boil for two minutes. Pour into sterilized jars. Seal immediately.

PERSIMMON PRESERVES

Take cultivated persimmons which are ripe yet firm. Allow an equal weight of sugar. The fruit must lie in water for 12 hours. Stew the fruit in water to cover until tender. Drain and spread out to become cool and firm. Add a cup of cold water to every pound of sugar.
Boil and skim until clear, then cook the fruit in it about 10 minutes. Spread on dishes in the sun. To the syrup, put the juice and peel of two lemons for four quarts. Boil until thick and return the fruit to syrup for 20 minutes. Store in sterilized jars.

PICKLED JALAPENOS

Wash and pack jalapeno peppers tightly into hot jars. Combine in saucepan:
1 cup vinegar
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup olive oil
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon mixed pickling spice
Bring to boil. Cover peppers with boiling hot liquid leaving 1/2-inch head space. Close jars and process in boiling water bath 10 minutes. Start to count processing time as soon as water returns to boiling.

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Some Things Picked Up - Some Fell Off

(Continued from last week)

Marthalean was pert-near as blizzed as Karl. (The evening was starting to show signs of having some damn cheap entertainment.)

Marthalean was by herself. She was calling for old Karl like a lost calf calls for his momma. She was dressed fit to kill, her hair was in reasonably good condition and her make-up was pert near perfect.

The fact that she was drooling kinda took a little of the serious edge off of her appearance.

I don't know for sure, but it seems to me like I attract drunks, weirdos and them what ain't all that normal. Marthalean spotted me and headed my way. Garlan and Juan had Karl hung over the tail gate of someone's new pickup and the good ladies (?) of the church was in hog heaven.

Now old Marthalean isn't the single most beautiful woman I've ever seen, in fact you could call her cosmetically deprived, and to have a woman that big and some what homely sit down next to ya and stare while trying to explain she has seen her mistakes and wants to get back with her man while drooling on your brisket, is spooky.

I assured her that Karl was in a some what receptive mood that evening and if she would just come with me I would see to it that he would at least listen to her.

She agreed...

I sorta helped her stagger out the doors to the parking lot. She saw Garlan and Juan (who had by now started trying to catch up with Karl on the home brew) and she made a flying leap to get in their faces.

Some how or other, she got the notion that it was Garlan's and Juan's fault that she was having so many problems with the men in her life.

I agreed with her. (Just cause she was acting like she wanted to be gentle didn't mean she wasn't just being tricky.)

Karl had passed out in the back of the pickup. Marthalean climbed up in there with Karl and cradled his head in her lap and was crying and telling 'im all kinds of mushy stuff. Garlan, Juan and me headed for the building hoping to get out of there alive or at least with minor cuts and abrasions should old Marthalean start to sober up.

We knew everything was going to be ok when we heard Karl respond with one record setting belch and Marthalean's head hit the cab of the pickup when she passed out.

We assured every one that things were ok and went back to eating. The good ladies (?) of the better than thou club kinda got their evening ruined because there wasn't any hair pulling or blood shed but other than that, things finally worked out peacefully in Querecho Flats.

Come to think of it, that's a record in it's self.

Wind Dance

At first I thought, "It's just the wind." The time was 2:48 in the morning. I felt rested and the wind made me uneasy. I rolled in the windows on the south a little. It would be hot if I closed up all the way. I lay with my face close to the window and listened and the wind began to whistle all around and the tree shadows on the parking lot pavement danced a gray devil dance. I noticed the fresh leaves from the oak trees tearing loose and flying along the ground in the wind. In the morning there would be a lot of litter.

The dance began to get out of control and the dancers whose shadows were those of shameless abandon twisted and shook. The small limbs of leaves were like articles of clothing that were too hot and restricting to the dancers thus being discarded and cast to the wind. The musical song of the wind became a mournful wail. Out of control and drunk on its own driving power the wind became abusive and careless. My uneasiness was like that you get when you've driven into a street at night where the few lights there are illuminate only a few strays and drunks and you can't turn around without pulling into an even eerier and darker spot where you just know your engine is going to die.

I closed another window and looked again to see the dance. The changes were the kind you would have expected the party to take if you had left at a respectable time and then popped back in unexpectedly. The music now had a rhythm that was cold and obscene. I was disgusted and tired and I crawled back under my covers and became very quiet. I prayed the wind to calm. It did. I wished I'd prayed for it earlier.

Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Did you feel that earth quake last week? It was centered at Alpine - a 5.6 on the seismograph. There have been several after-shocks and some concern in Del Rio that the shaking could cause contamination in the underground water system. There were reports here in Brackett of feeling the tremor.

The months of May, June, and July have been designated as Clean Up Time for the City of Brackettville. When you have carried your tree limbs, etc. to the easement in front of your home, the city trucks will come by to haul it away for you. Each year our town looks cleaner and neater. If we all work together, we can be proud of our surroundings. There will be no excuse for having a lot of trash lying around any place. Everyone seems to be taking more pride in the area. All the neatly mowed yards are beautiful. Congratulations, Kinney County, for keeping things so nicely.

Have you ever wondered how archeologists go about a "dig"? The new waste disposal plant for the county will be located in the Southeast corner of Fort Clark Springs. The Texas Historical

Society will scrutinize the area after the actual dig is begun. The work is scheduled to begin April 24. This is a slow, pains-taking job but is done to assure that no important archeological remains are disturbed without proper cataloging.

Do you sometimes find you have a potato that you never got around to eating is growing things? These are called "eyes". If you will cut off these growths, leaving a considerable amount of the meat of the potato attached, you can plant them for a crop of potatoes in the near future. Small, fresh potatoes, fresh or canned green beans with bites of ham or spicy sausage makes a tasty meal. Do not peel the potatoes, the skins are tender and very nutritious.

Summer is quickly approaching. Graduation is on the way. Save up a few dollars to help the Seniors have a truly safe party. Let them know we want them to join the adult world safely and happily. They are filled with great expectations and we must do all we can to help them succeed.

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POSTMASTER'S COLUMN

By FELIX HERNANDEZ

Visitors To Washington D.C. Should Visit National Postal Museum

Called the "philatelic event of the century," the National Postal Museum opened in Washington, DC on July 30, 1993, reminding everyone of the importance of the Postal Service and its mission to bind our nation together.

Four Postal Museum Artifact stamps were dedicated at the museum opening. This was the first time an individual Smithsonian Museum received the distinction of a stamp dedication in its honor.

As part of the Smithsonian, the new museum is designed to both educate and entertain. The many exhibits provide a variety of ways for visitors to interact with philatelic and postal history. Museum Director James Bruns says, "The theme of the museum is 'America's history is in the mail,' and the museum is intended to inspire appreciation for a system that affects us every day."

The museum has a large potential audience. According to a U.S. News & World Report release: "Based on the fact the post office is the longest continuously running business in America and the largest civil servant employer in the country, it is widely believed that one in four Americans has worked for the Postal Service at some time in their life, or is related to someone who has."

There are also an estimated twenty-two million stamp collectors in the United States. With this broad interest in the Postal Service and in stamp collecting, Bruns says that 1.5 million people a year are expected to visit the museum.

Although the museum houses a collection of 12 million stamps, they take up only a fraction of the nearly 25,000 square-foot exhibit area. Five galleries, five interactive computers, and 17 videos allow visitors to participate in a variety of postal experiences.

If a subject is postal related, it is

April Sales Tax Rebate Report

State Comptroller John Sharp delivered a total of \$123.6 million in April sales tax rebates to 1,073 cities and 111 counties.

Statewide April sales tax rebates are up 9% compared to April of 1994.

This month's rebates include local sales taxes collected in February and reported by businesses filing monthly tax returns in March.

Brackettville, with a tax rate of 1.000%, received \$3,104.03 compared to \$2,386.83 during the same period in 1994 for a 30.04% increase.

Kinney County, rate 0.500%, received \$2,234.99 compared to \$1,746.35 for a 27.98% increase over last year.

Kinney County Health Services, rate 0.500%, received \$2,227.13 compared to \$1,748.93, an increase of 27.34%.

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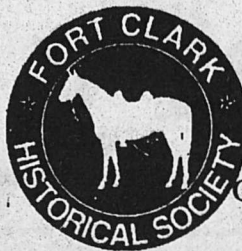
Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where 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.

April 1883: Lt French enters his third month in camp, as commander of the Seminole Scouts, at Mayer's Spring (now Meyer's Spring) on the newly completed Southern Pacific Railroad, near present day Dryden. He improves his accommodations by building a frame for his tents; feels the Scouts are being unjustly treated by being kept out in camp so long; participates in a "senseless indian scare," and by the end of the month is relieved by a troop of cavalry. He starts the journey back to Fort Clark where he "...shall have to obey others. But there will be pleasant society there which will more than make up for a little brief authority."

Thursday, April 19, 1883

Went to the house this morning and after waiting there a half hour or so, young Ramsey came up driving some horses, the missing horse being one of them. So the Indians did not take him. He went with Corp'l. Perryman up the Pecos for the wounded pony and I returned to camp and sent the men out to hunt for signs. About one o'clock Corp'l. P. came in and said the pony was at the house. Went to the house, saw the pony and ate dinner there. The pony was fat and had a cut six in. long on left rump made by sharp instrument. If Indians did it, it is strange that they did not kill him & eat him or put him in some place where he would not be found. Returned to camp, and had things packed. The men came in soon afterwards and reported no signs. About 2-30 or 3 o'clock, moved camp six or seven miles up Independence Creek. Corp'l. Perryman went up the creek to where the pony had been found, hunting in the bottoms along the creek but could find no signs. Other men went out hunting but no signs were found. Feel confident that no Indians are in the country. Shall return to Mayer's Springs and send out a hunting party to let them hunt for game and see if they can find any indications of Indians.



FOOTSTEPS ECHO
The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Maj Gen Francis Henry French
Old Fort Clark Guardhouse Museum

Courtesy of Bill Haenn
Curator, Guardhouse Museum

Friday, April 20, 1883

Reached Camp about 4-30 P.M. after a dull ride and was very glad to get back. Made arrangements to start out 9 men under Sgt. Gordon with 5 days' rations to Independence tomorrow, and down the Pecos to Fielders & then to camp. Found two letters from home, one from Cunningham, Capt. Vance & some official mail. Was quite tired tonight and retired early.

Saturday, April 21, 1883

Started the men off for Independence Creek giving the Sergeant strict orders to send a courier to me immediately if he found any signs. Feel certain he will do his best as he is a thoroughly reliable man. Started to write my report but did not copy it in the book today. It is such a long time since I have written any that I am out of the mood entirely for it. Harvey's back is healing splendidly. In two or three weeks more the hair will commence to appear on the wound. Rode over to Thurston in the afternoon with the Doctor & found McCarthy and Young there. Saw McGeary when the train came along. McCarthy telegraphed to Langtry and told me that Randlett was still there, waiting for a company to relieve him. In the evening copied the report and wrote some official letters but felt too tired to do much. Went to bed early.

Sunday, April 22, 1883

Wrote a letter home this morning. The couriers came in about one o'clock bringing me a letter from Gen'l Smith saying that "E" Troop would relieve the Seminoles by the end of the month. This Troop was out on the Nueces but was ordered in when the letter was written, the 18th, and ought to be out here in a week or so. Carried the letters over to the railroad, saw McCarthy, Young & Smith there, and Rodgers the conductor. In the evening read papers from home. Must commence to prepare to be relieved soon.

Monday, April 23, 1883

Spent the day quietly in camp writing letters and reading. Played cards in the evening with the Doctor. Sent the couriers in with the mail this morning. Wrote Mr. Boesch of Brownsville to send me

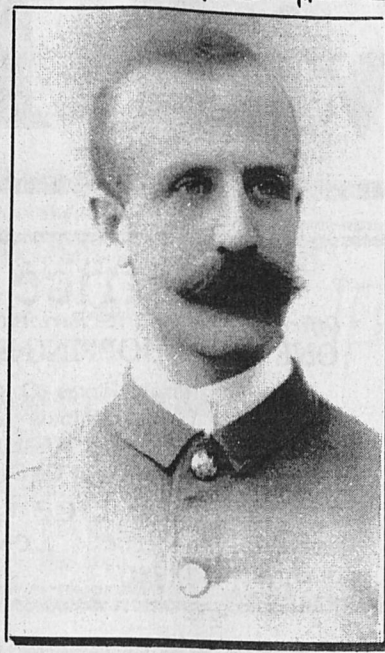
a pair of flannel pantaloons to wear this summer on leave & sent Crowder a check for \$5 to settle that post fund business. Will be mighty glad when this confounded business is settled up at last.

Tuesday, April 24, 1883

The Doctor went up to Sanderson but returned without getting any vegetables as the man who kept the store there has left. This will make it rather rough on the company that is coming out here. The Doctor brought a telegram from Hall sent yesterday saying that "E" Troop would leave Clark today. It ought to be here next Monday. Wrote a letter to Guard to collect \$5 from Murphy for me, one to N.Y. to enquire about the check I sent over a month ago for some socks, and made out my pay accounts. Shall send all tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 25, 1883

Wrote my usual letter home today. In the afternoon Doctor & I rode over to Thurston. Saw Mr. Tracy there. McGeary was conductor of the train and saw him. Sent letter with my pay accounts asking to have the checks sent to Clark instead of out here. Had tank cleaned out near the springs today. "E" Troop ought to camp at Devil's River today. Ruled some red lines in the Muster Rolls and prepared them for filling out at the proper time. Sgt. Gordon and party returned this evening and report no stock missing and no signs of Indians. This report makes me feel much easier for I was afraid that I had been too hasty when I was over in the Pecos Valley. Besides I have been disappointed before when I expected to go into a Post from detached service and dreaded a report of Indians for



2nd Lieut Francis Henry French (USMA, '79)

then we would have to go out for a campaign. Our rations are nearly exhausted, so that we cannot make much of a campaign without a new stock. I have not sent in for more as I don't want to carry any unnecessary weight back to the Post.

Thursday April 26, 1883

Wrote a report of Sgt. Gordon's scout and then rode over to the railroad in time to meet the morning train and see Conductor Roberts. Made out my first muster roll for this muster today, but shall wait until later in the month to make out the others. The two Ramseys and Stone came over from the Pecos today, Stone and young Ramsey on their way to Uvalde, & the elder Ramsey going to Del Rio. It has been quite warm today, but I found it comfortable under the shade between the two tents. Read a light novel called "Allerton Towers" by Annie Thomas. It does well enough to pass the time, but is not much of a book. Read a little law in the evening.

(To be continued next week)

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By LIZZ RAMIREZ

For the first time in Brackettville, Mr. Dan Peterson has created a program that will allow 17 Homeowners to buy a new air conditioner or heater and not make any payments for 6 months. Actually, with his program homeowners will probably get the second year free. In a moment, I'll tell you how this works.

My question when talking to Mr. Peterson was...

WHY WOULD HE MAKE THIS OFFER?

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Texas Senate Action

Senator Bill Sims of Paint Rock returned to the Senate after recovering for several weeks from a stroke suffered last January. Sims was greeted with a round of applause when his name was called during the roll call to establish a quorum. He was also greeted in the Texas House with applause. Sims serves as Chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee.

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The Senate passed Committee Substitute Senate Bill (CSSB) 115 and CSSB 117 sponsored by Senator Chris Harris of Arlington which will deny licenses for persons who do not meet child support obligations. CSSB 115 authorizes the Attorney General and the Texas Dept. of Public Safety to deny or suspend the license of a person who is delinquent in payment of child support. CSSB 117 establishes a procedure for revocation of a state professional license of a person who is 30 days or more delinquent in payment of child support.

The Senate passed SB 337 sponsored by Senator Judith Zaffirini of Laredo which requires the use of protective bicycle helmets by individuals younger than 18 years of age.

There are no penalties in the law for failure to comply.

SB 294 sponsored by Senator Mike Moncrief of Fort Worth passed which defines "criminal street gangs" and includes gang members in penalties for conspiracy. Under the current version of the Organized Crime Statue, collaboration between three or more persons must be proved. This legislation allows prosecution if one or two people are involved if evidence shows an offense is gang related.

The Senate passed CSSB 130 sponsored by Senator Royce West of Dallas which creates the offense of transferring a handgun to a person who is the subject of a protective order. The bill is an attempt to help victims of domestic violence with protective orders against their abusers.

The Senate passed CSSB 1298 and CSSB 1229 sponsored by Senator David Cain of Dallas which relates to the transfer of higher education institutions in Texas. CSSB 1298 transfers Baylor College of Dentistry to the Texas A&M University System. CSSB 1299 abolishes the Board of Regents of East Texas State University and transfers East Texas State University and East Texas State University at Texarkana to the Texas A&M system.

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Common-Sense Ideas For The Environmental Protection Agency

Last week, the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) completed an 18-month study of the Environmental Protection Agency. Commissioned by the House and Senate Appropriations committees, the 200-page report revealed a startling recommendation: the EPA could solve many of its problems by transferring more authority to states, local governments, and corporations.

What an astounding revelation! That sounds like common sense to us, yet it takes a year-and-a-half-long study for the government to conclude that if you return more power to people at the local level, things work better. Here are some of the other problems cited by the report: too much congressional oversight, too many narrow and fragmented environmental regulations and a tendency for EPA staff members to get bogged down in bureaucratic procedures.

The EPA is in need of a top-to-bottom overhaul. It is one of the most unpopular government agencies because of its search-and-destroy approach to problem solving. Instead of working with companies and communities to find a suitable way to preserve our surroundings, it has treated businesses and cities like the enemy, destroying jobs and people's livelihoods in the wake of its bureaucratic zeal.

The report suggested that the EPA should give more authority for fighting pollution to states and localities and allow states and private enterprises to devise their own ways to reduce pollution. It also says the EPA should figure out the risks and costs of its actions beforehand, as well as merge its

various functions into a less bureaucratic operation.

We all agree that protecting the environment is important. Our children deserve to have clean water to drink, clean air to breathe, and plants and animals to enjoy while they grow up. But how far should the government go to accomplish those goals? That is what will be debated by this Congress in the coming months. This report is a good starting point for developing balanced, common-sense solutions to our environmental concerns.

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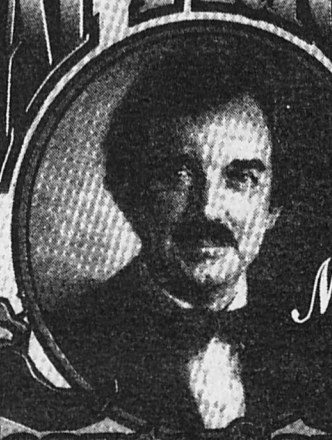


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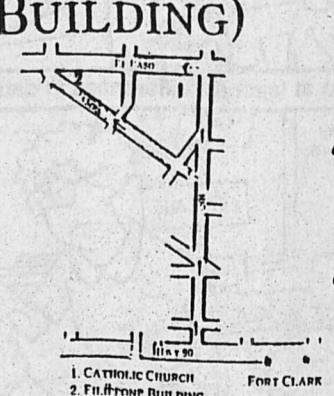
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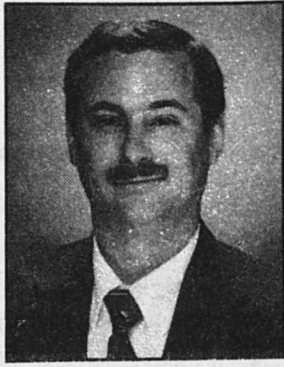
Answer: Conjunctivitis (also known as pinkeye) is common among children and extremely contagious. In fact, conjunctivitis can spread through an entire classroom of children in a matter of days, making its way home to infect entire households.

The symptoms of this disease are fairly easy to detect. The whites of the eyes become pink or red, and the eye feels gritty when blinked. The eye also produces a yellowish discharge that forms a crust during the night. This sticky crust can seal the eyes shut and you may have to pry the lids gently apart or soak off the crusts in the morning. There also can be blurred vision and a sensitivity to light.

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Congress Working to Restore The American Dream

Last fall I pledged to help put an end to "business as usual" in Washington. I'm here to report that political "business" has been anything but "usual" for more than three months now, and things have changed — for the better.

The 104th Congress got off to a fast start, and proceeded at the same breath-taking pace. Less than three weeks into the New Year, Congress had passed and the President had signed one of many measures designed to restore the American people's confidence in their government: the Congressional Accountability Act, which requires Congress to live under the same laws it imposes on everyone else. Congress has stopped telling the American people, "Do as we say, not as we do." The new approach has to be, "If it's good for you, it's good for us as well."

Also signed into law is a landmark measure that changes Congress' approach to individuals and state and local governments, the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. This legislation requires Congress to pay for any new federal programs it mandates for state or local governments. Congress and federal agencies must now calculate the costs of federal laws, mandates and regulations they impose on the private sector.

As one strategy among several to bring the federal budget deficit under control, both houses of Congress have voted to grant the President a line item veto. The measure gives the occupant of that office — regardless of political party — the ability to strike out wasteful spending in appropriations bills without vetoing an entire measure. This is the same tool that 43 state governors now use, effectively, to balance their state budgets.

Congress has also voted to restore, enhance and make permanent an important tax break for more than 3 million self-employed persons. These individuals will again be allowed to deduct the cost of their health insurance premiums, giving them, in effect, equity with those whose insurance is supplied by their employers. The president signed this measure into law April 11.

In the critical area of regulatory reform, I am happy to report that the Senate passed and a Senate-House conference committee left intact an amendment I introduced last month that will have the effect of suspending any further designations under the Endangered Species Act until the end of this fiscal year, September 30. This measure will give Congress some breathing room during which we can go back and amend the act itself to take into account the economic and social impacts of its administration.

The Senate took another important step toward curbing regulatory excess by creating a 45-day window during which Congress may review and veto proposed federal regulations. The House has not yet passed this measure, but I hope it will.

Much remains on our agenda to get the country back on course: We must balance the federal budget and begin to lower the national debt. We have to implement real criminal justice reform in order to take back our streets and make them safe for all Americans. We must work to restore America's competitive edge, and keep our standard of living among the highest in the world. We are on our way to restoring the American dream. The voices of the people are being heard in Washington, D.C. What a nice change!

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

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| Becker | Blue | Bradshaw | |

Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Pencil is changed; 2. Apple is missing; 3. Bow is larger; 4. Expression is changed; 5. Arm is raised; 6. Grin is added.

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April 1995

21 Friday
7:00pm BASEBALL - LACKLAND - T
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SAN ANTONIO BRASS

22 Saturday
7:00pm MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

23 Sunday
REGIONAL GOLF - SAN MARCOS

24 Monday
REGIONAL GOLF - SAN MARCOS

25 Tuesday
4:30pm V BASEBALL - DILLEY - THERE
PAYDATE
REGIONAL GOLF - SAN MARCOS

Protect our children...
DRIVE SAFELY

BISD Cafeteria Menu

Parents Welcome To Join Their Children At Breakfast Or Lunch.

BREAKFAST

Milk Served At All Meals
Three choices for breakfast:
1) Printed Menu; 2) Cereal, Toast, Fruit or Juice; 3) Two Toasts, Fruit or Juice.

MONDAY

Waffles/Syrup
Fruit or Juice

TUESDAY

Pizza Bagel
Fruit or Juice

WEDNESDAY

Taquito/Picante
Fruit or Juice

THURSDAY

Pancakes/Syrup
Fruit or Juice

FRIDAY

Fruited Muffins
Fruit or Juice

LUNCH

Milk Served At All Meals
Salad Bar Available Everyday
"B" Line Everyday

April 24 - 28

MONDAY

Chili Con Carne w/Beans
Veggie Sticks - Fruit
Corn Bread

Peanut Butter Cup

TUESDAY

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce
Veg. Salad - Fruit
Roll

WEDNESDAY

Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries - Fruited Jello

THURSDAY

Nachos w/Beef & Cheese
Spanish Rice - Pinto Beans
Fruit

FRIDAY

Oven Baked Chicken/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes - Choice of Veg.
Roll



Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Satin quality
6 Some '60s Brits
10 Loser's locale?
13 "Pequod" captain
17 "Greetings!" in a way
18 Crude cartel.
19 Groan producer
20 Greek marketplaces
22 Piercing sitcom?
25 Cafe
26 Schoolboy's shot
27 Linda of "Dynasty" attack
28 Toothsome side dish?
29 Finish
32 Something in briefs?
33 "Walk Away" ("66 tune)
34 Sudden
35 Temple topper
38 Tennis divider
39 Satty Sahl
40 Singer Sumac
43 De Millie specialties
44 Joplin

composition
78 Atelier item
79 Ramote
80 Blabbed
81 Sharp-edged exclamation
82 Vegetate
48 Supporting actress?
53 In the bag
54 "Never Smile Again"
55 Reagan's attorney
56 Alliances
58 High-flying org.
59 Short swim
60 She, to Sartre
61 Ugly ducklings, eventually
62 Nagged subtly
64 Pasta peninsula
66 Quiet's partner
67 "— diem"
68 Al of "Serpico"
70 Feature
71 "— Mia" ("65 tune)
72 Ballroom figure, for short
75 Actress Sommer
76 Associate

116 Not robust
117 Ruby and Sandra
118 — Speedwagon
119 Require
120 "Jaws" setting
DOWN
1 — Na Na
2 Fell
3 Pipe connection
4 Yalle
5 Puzzle
6 Mr. T's hairdo
7 Uncover, to Thomas Carew
8 Put on hold
9 Scrounge around
10 Upright's relative
11 Rhythm of life
12 Some
13 Gymnast's quality
14 Rinsed off the car
15 Part of B.A.
16 Theda of the silents
20 On the QE2
21 Boar's babe
23 Greenish-blue
24 Mr. Ed's hairdo?
28 Hume of

"Cocoon"
29 Shadow site?
30 City south of Roma
31 Boring food?
36 1,150, to Horace
37 Clear the slate
39 Director Forman
40 "Whacky" TV show?
41 Dotty inventor?
42 In the lead
45 Mr. Lucky's card
46 "Crazy" singer
49 Writer Hilare
50 Bank (on)
51 Certain
52 Legislate
53 Ginger cookie
55 Nasty
57 Says "Boo!"
61 Chars
63 Spoken
65 Adjusted an ascot
66 Prostrate
67 17 rest my —
68 Lorre or Lupus
69 Abandoned by all
70 Sticky problem?

71 Soothes
73 Sheena of songdom
74 "Today" host
77 Quirk
78 Get by, with "ou"
82 Name a ship
83 Cambodia's Lon —
85 Mountain lions
86 Some Alaskans
88 Fairina's friend
91 Trinidad's neighbor
92 — even keel
94 Followed a felon
95 Comrade
96 Crusoe's creator
97 Resort lake
98 Scold
101 Large tub
102 Provoked
103 Reasonably balanced
107 Nav. officer
108 Sprawl on a sofa
109 Coat part
110 Mai — (cocktail)
111 Gold record
112 English cathedral city

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Relationship surely is the mirror in which you discover yourself.
J. Krishnamurti

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A new business idea has you excited and you'll get right to work on it in the beginning of the week. You'll speak out at a group meeting to good effect. However, your approach with family members should be more gentle.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You'll get right to the point in talks with higher-ups this week but choose your words carefully so as not to alienate others. If you're pointing a finger at someone, it won't be appreciated. Couples enjoy a special outing.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're good at giving advice generally, but to be truly effective, measure your words with diplomacy this week. A project at home consumes much of your time toward the end of the week. This weekend, guard your tongue.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Important talks center around financial issues now. Be sure to listen to the other party's point of view since what's being said is for your ultimate benefit. A hobby is captivating. Accept partnerships over the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Bend over backward to be cooperative with close ties this week since nothing less will satisfy. You could say something hurtful inadvertently and then find yourself with apologies to make later in the week. A co-worker is sympathetic.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You have a tendency this week to be overly critical of a co-worker, who really won't appreciate this. This person can be helpful to you in the future but not if you continue to act boorishly. This weekend, an unplanned entertainment will be fun.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll be making positive changes at home now. Opt for peace and quiet over hectic socializing since you need to recharge your batteries. If a child gets on your nerves this week, try not to overreact.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Social life is uplifting this week and you'll be introduced to new subjects of interest. However, home life could be upset in some unexpected way. Try to take this in stride as much as possible.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You'll be happily engaged this week with a business-related project. This is both stimulating and challenging for you. Think before you act in personal dealings or you could say something you'll later regret.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Business is perhaps best conducted alone early in the week, especially if you're hot under the collar about something. Turn your attention to cultural interests as the week progresses. This weekend, friends are good company.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't be quick to take offense if someone says the wrong thing this week. Overreacting only adds to the contentious atmosphere. Though you're sharp mentally, it's still best to avoid ideological disputes.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You'll enjoy wonderful rapport with a partner this week. However, you could overhear something which rubs you the wrong way. Chalk this up to idle minds and petty gossip. A research project is rewarding.

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Happy Birthday

Apr. 20	Debbie Smith
Apr. 20	Calvin Oliver
Apr. 20	Bobbie Schafer
Apr. 21	Louis Baur
Apr. 21	Inez Sheets
Apr. 21	Severo Martinez
Apr. 22	Debra Bauntello
Apr. 23	Norma Sandoval
Apr. 23	Adam Caton
Apr. 24	Mirza Erika Clarke
Apr. 24	Harold Kauffman
Apr. 25	Lynda Conrey
Apr. 26	LaVohn Payne



First Baptist Church
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor
"The Pastor's Pen"


Just a couple of weeks ago I saw the cartoon "Chaos" by Brian Shuster that typifies the sentiment of seemingly so many people. The scene is that of an old whiskered man (presumably Saint Peter) with a fist raised high, viewing an angel standing by an escalator with a large flaming sign pointing down. The angel has a hand on the shoulder of a man named Bob who is holding two fingers in the air while he is being directed toward the escalator. Peter is saying, "Well, Bob, what else can I say, Rock beats Scissors. Next!"

The subject and existence of Hell is often looked upon very lightly, spoken of with attempted humor. But Hell is not funny! It is no laughing matter. As we read the truth in God's Word, the Holy Bible, Hell or more appropriately, the Lake of Fire, is a very real place. Repeatedly Jesus spoke of outer darkness and a furnace of fire, where there will be wailing, weeping, and gnashing of teeth. Mark 9:46, 48 describes Hell as a place where *the worm does not die and the fire is not quenched*. In the book of Revelation, it tells how the beast and the false prophet will be thrown into the Lake of Fire and that at the end of the age the devil himself will be thrown into it, along with death and hades and all whose names are not in the Book of Life. *And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever* Revelation 20:10b.

I have neither seen nor heard anything remotely humorous about that place. The only hope of humor comes from the fifteenth verse of chapter twenty, *And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire*. That tells me that the only means of avoidance of the lake of fire is to have my name written in the Book of Life. The only way to avoid hell is by believing in the Lord Jesus, the Risen Savior. Humor me, and place your faith in Jesus today while you yet may.

Hispanic Worship Services

Each Friday Night at 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School and Worship each Sunday beginning 9:45 a.m.
Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church
Ann & Veltman Streets
Spanish Services by Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor
Everyone Welcome!



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

When Francis Scott Key stood on the deck of a ship in the bay below Ft. McHenry he watched the flaring of cannon fire and the rattle of rifle fire as the British advanced on the Fort.

As the sun came up behind him he realized the British had been stopped. In the glory of the morning he wrote "The Star Spangled Banner."

When Daniel was thrown into the lions' den, it was a glorious morning when he came forth unscathed.

When Shadrack, Meshak, and Abednego were thrown into an overheated fiery furnace to be burned alive, it was a glorious morning when they walked out without even a smell of fire on their clothing.

When Paul was on his way to Rome to appear before Caesar the ship ran into stormy weather. For days they were mercilessly tossed by the storm. As night came and soundings indicated they were approaching land. They threw out anchors and "waited for the morning."

When morning came it was a glorious morning because they saw an island nearby.

With all the glory of these mornings, there is no comparison to the glory of the morning when Mary and the others went to the tomb intent on adding spices to the body. Jesus had risen from the dead. Buried in a tomb sealed with a Roman seal and guarded by Roman soldiers, he walked away from the tomb.

His resurrection was the "first born" among the dead.


He then demonstrated that mankind who followed him could walk through death to likewise be resurrected. This was a totally new experience.

The word "resurrection" is not found in the Old Testament nor is the term "everlasting life." Thus the resurrection sets a new dimension to living.

It is difficult to comprehend the true glory of the morning which revealed for all the world through all the ages that "He is not here. He is risen."

Another message from the Word of God will be found at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday morning 11:00.

Come and see!



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

For he that is called in the Lord, being a servant, is the Lord's freeman; likewise also he that is called, being free, is Christ's servant.

Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, there abide with God.

Praise God! I Cor. 7:22-24

7:00 a.m. Daily Come Pray With Us

"Pray for them who despitefully use you, and persecute you." Matt. 5:44

6:00 p.m. Nightly Come study the book of Acts with us.



Church Directory

St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 563-2071.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 pm, Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.

First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Worship 11:00 am and 7:00 pm, Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm, Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

Baptist Hispanic Mission, 307 N. Ann Street, Friday, 6:00 pm, Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor.

Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am, Bible Study Sunday 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 am, Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 pm, Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 am, Regular 10:30 am, Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 pm, Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 pm, Dr. David G. Zumaya, Pastor.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 am, Church School Classes 9:45 am, Service of Worship 11:00 am, Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 pm, Gordon Miller, Pastor.


St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm, Worship Service Thursday 7:00 pm, William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.

Lutheran Congregation: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 6 p.m., Shafter Hall, FCS, 563-2047.

Templo Elm Asambea de Dios: North Street, Sunday 10:00 am and 6:00 pm, Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 pm, Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.

Jerusalem Temple, 514 East Louis St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. Minister Raymond Goodloe.

Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational) 301 E. Spring St. (across 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



St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
Fr. David Zumaya, Pastor

MOST REV. PATRICK F. FLORES, D.D.



Silver Anniversary For Archbishop Flores

On April 21, 1995, an area comprised of 16 parishes and 29 Catholic communities will observe the Silver Anniversary of the ordination of Archbishop Patrick F. Flores as auxiliary bishop for the San Antonio Archdiocese. Brackettville is part of this area. This anniversary is the latest milestone in the distinguished life of service of Archbishop Flores.

The first Mexican-American bishop in the United States, he was elevated to the post of archbishop in October 1979. As pastoral leader, his life has been one of courage and inspiration. After graduating from St. Mary's Seminary in LaPorte, Texas, in 1956, he became a champion for social justice from Houston to San Antonio and in El Paso as bishop.

He has been in charge of the Curial Movement in Texas. He founded the Office of Catholic Services for Immigrants and supported the founding of COFS.

He has been held hostage in Ecuador and named in "Time Magazine" in "200 Rising Leaders"

on July 15, 1974. After being consecrated Fourth Archbishop of San Antonio in 1979, Flores was appointed president of Bishop's Committee for Latin America in 1985 and has visited Cuba twice.

As spiritual head of an archdiocese numbering 125,000 households, Archbishop Flores maintains an energetic and full schedule. He maintains a high profile in the community and has been the subject of the book "Mariachi Bishop."

His list of accomplishments are numerous, but the ones which gratify him most are those that enhance the quality of people's lives. He has supported and promoted, among others, women's rights and educational opportunities for minorities.

Tribute will be paid to Archbishop Flores and the public is invited to be a part of this memorable event. A special mass will be held in Uvalde, Texas, 7:00 p.m., April 21, 1995, at Sacred Heart Church.



Obituary

Catarino Gomez

Funeral mass was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 18, 1995, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville for Catarino Gomez. Fr. David G. Zumaya officiated. Burial followed at the Kinney County Cemetery.

Mr. Gomez was born in Brackettville February 13, 1907, and died April 15, 1995, at age 88. He lived in

Brackettville all his life and worked on various ranches in the area.

Three sisters survive: Francisca Gomez of Brackettville; Chonita Cardona and Maria Gomez both of Del Rio; nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Frank Garza, Pedro Salas, Adrian Reyes, Abelardo Fuentes, Seferino Salazar, and Natividad Martinez.

Alberto Martinez

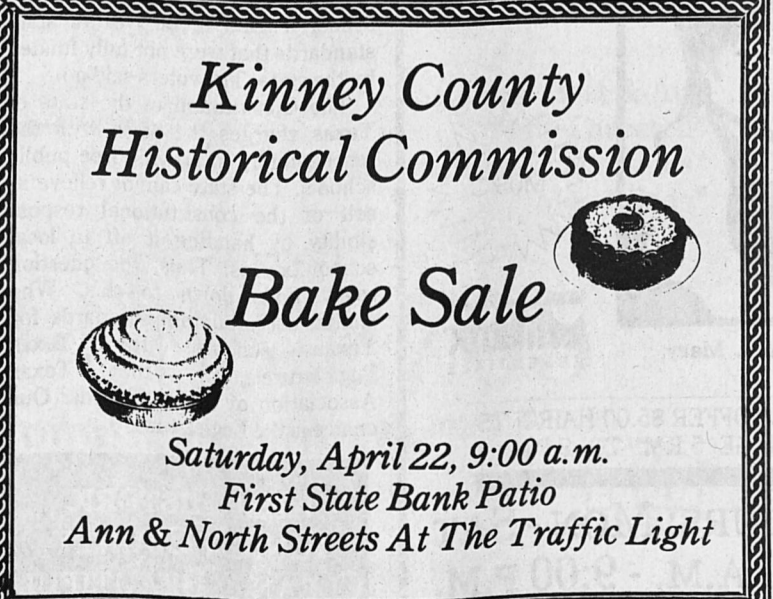
Alberto Martinez, age 29, died April 18, 1995, in Houston, Texas, after being involved in a car accident. He was born October 10, 1965, in Del Rio, Texas. He worked as an electrician and was on a job site at the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife Diana Michelle Martinez and daughters Raven S. Castaneda and Savannah S. Martinez all of Corpus Christi. Also surviving are: parents Felipe B. and Saida Martinez of Brackettville; brothers Ambrosio Martinez of Austin, Fillimon Martinez of Castroville, Rodolfo Martinez of Corpus Christi, Jesse Martinez and Ricardo Martinez both of Brackettville; sisters Maria Martinez of Chicago, Maria E. Garza of Corpus

Christi, Virginia Cooksey of Hawaii, Barbarita Ternes of Corpus Christi, Teresita Terrazas of Brackettville, Gloria Young of San Antonio, Esmeralda Young of Pleaston and Lydia Martinez of Uvalde.

Rosary is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Thursday (tonight) at the Brackettville Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 21, 1995, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church with Rev. David Zumaya officiating. Burial is to follow at the Catholic Cemetery in Brackettville.

Pallbearers will be brothers and brothers-in-law. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Del Rio Funeral Home Inc. d.b.a. Brackettville Funeral Home, 114 N. Street.



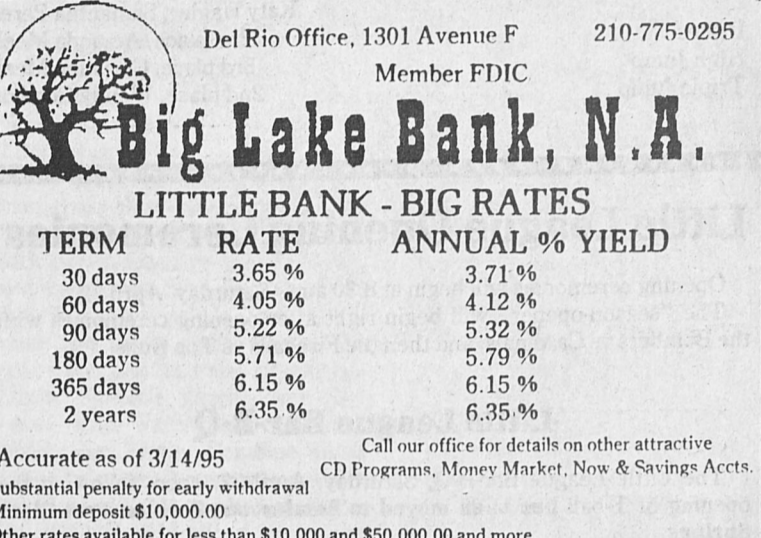
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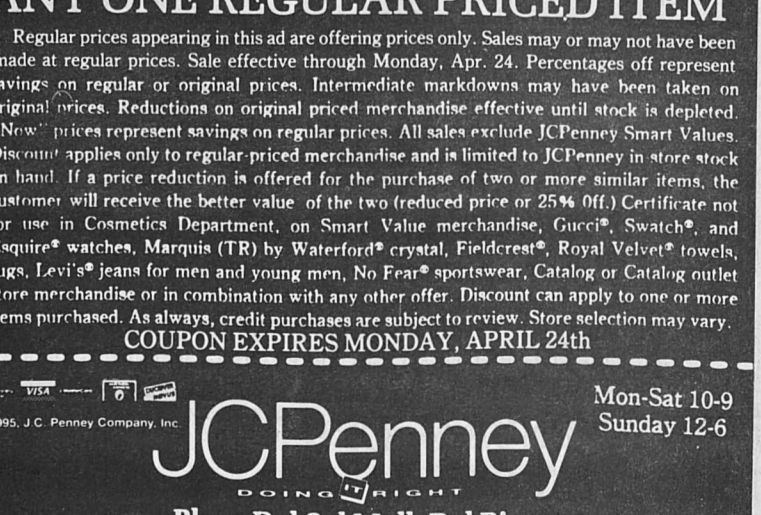
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Clothes and household items

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Home Tips

TANGLE-FREE — Here's a good idea for people who crochet. I cut the buttons out of two-liter soda bottles after removing the extra part around the bottom. I put the yarn in and pull it through the top, then I replace the bottom. Keep the cap. It keeps the yarn clean when it's not used. Edna W., Delray Beach, Fla.

HEARING-AID REMINDER — I hope this tip will help others as it has helped me. When I got my hearing aid, I was warned never to get it wet. After almost taking a shower while wearing it, I decided to post a reminder in the shower. I placed a note saying, "Remove hearing aid" in a zippered plastic bag and hung it on the shower caddy with a plastic clothespin. Tammy D., Lancaster, Pa.

NAIL-HOLE FILLER — When I need to fill nail holes in plaster walls or any wall, I use putty. I put a few drops of food coloring in a tiny bowl, a little at a time, until I've got the wall color. This is easy and saves the time and work of looking for the old paint, then not finding it or discovering that it's dried up. Washington, D.C.

PICNIC TIP — If you have a picnic table with an umbrella, insert the umbrella pole into a full roll of paper towels. Replace the pole in the table hole and, presto, you have towels handy for all the mess from the barbecue sauce. They take less space and don't blow away. You may even want to wet the entire roll for better cleanup. Use a better-quality towel if you plan on wetting the roll. Felicia P., Billings, Mont.

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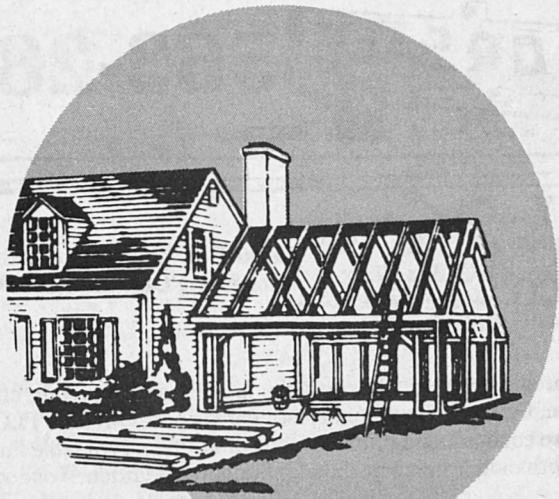
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**CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE
KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS
BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS**

**PROCLAMATION
CITY CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN**

To: All Citizens

In regular session of the City Council on April 11, 1995, it voted and ordered by said council that the annual City Clean-Up Campaign be initiated. Therefore, with the powers vested in me as mayor, I hereby proclaim the period from May 1, 1995, through July 31, 1995, as the 1995 Clean-Up Campaign. Accordingly, I sincerely urge that each and every citizen of this community participate in this vital and important campaign, and earnestly hope that the end results of said campaign will be a mark symbolizing the concerted effort of all citizens in doing their part in keeping our community clean, neat, healthful, and free of pest.

City conveyer will be made available to remove all accumulated refuse starting May 1, 1995. Please place all such refuse on alleyway easements or other accessible areas convenient for the conveyer.

/s/ Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor
/s/ David G. Luna, City Manager

Chamber of Commerce Week

Brackettville Mayor Carmen Berlanga proclaimed April 24 - 28, 1995, as Chamber of Commerce Week at the City Council meeting on April 11th.

Chamber of Commerce Week will be celebrated throughout the state of Texas. The week was designed to acknowledge the work that local chambers do to enhance their communities.

"Your chamber of commerce, the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, provides information to newcomers and visitors, attracts new business to the area, helps to keep our shopper dollars at home by improving the existing business community and promotes a positive community image," said Larry Sofaly, Kinney County Chamber of Commerce president.

Well Manicured Cemeteries Received Easter Visitors

Part of the accepted ritual of Easter observance is often a visit to a cemetery where loved ones are interred. The past weekend in Kinney County was no exception and visitors were pleased the evidence of loving care that left the cemeteries immaculate.

The Masonic Cemetery, not pictured, is the fourth of cemeteries in the complex just past the east end of

Veltman Street, is owned and cared for by Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444.

One Medal of Honor winner is buried in the Masonic Cemetery.



The Veterans Cemetery is under the care of VFW Post #8360, who assisted by the City of Brackettville, has just received a major "clean up."



Viewed from the entrance, the Kinney County Cemetery was neat and well mowed. County Maintenance foreman, using men performing community service, had just completed days of cleaning and mowing.



St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery is under the auspices of the local Catholic Church and is nicely kept. Memorial contributions are accepted at each of the cemeteries.



The Seminole Cemetery, owned by the Seminole Scout Association, is the final resting place of four Medal of Honor winners. The Cemetery has become a part of the heritage and culture of the Scouts.

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MONDAY
APRIL 24, 1995**

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GRAND OPENING
April 29th
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Chamber of Commerce movement in Texas continues to be the largest statewide coalition of businesses in Texas, and

WHEREAS, there are some 562 separate Chamber of Commerce organizations in Texas representing nearly 200,000 Texas businesses, and

WHEREAS, the efforts of those local Chambers of Commerce have resulted in positive economic and community growth in the respective communities served by Chambers of Commerce, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives Association, in cooperation with the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce, is organizing a major statewide effort at recognizing the efforts of Chambers of Commerce in their local communities, and

WHEREAS, such recognition is appropriate, considering the significant contribution made to this community's growth and development as a result of the hours of selfless service given to our community through the efforts of the volunteers and staff members of our local Chamber of Commerce now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council does declare April 24 through April 28, 1995, Chamber of Commerce Week, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that

The leadership of the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, past and present, be publicly recognized for their efforts to improve the economic development and to enhance the overall growth of our city to the betterment of every citizen.

Resolved this the 11th day of April, 1995.
Signed,
/s/ Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor
City of Brackettville

What are you doing next election day?

BY TONY GARZA
Texas Secretary of State

What are you doing next election day? No, it doesn't matter which election day I'm talking about. The question is still the same. What are you doing next election day? There was a time when "vote" would definitely be THE answer on everyone's list. Now, it doesn't even make it on a lot of people's top 10. What happened?

Too often, we think of our government in terms of leaders — those men and women who dominate the headlines, are heard on the national news every night, but don't seem to be talking to you. They are. It has been said

EARLY VOTING BY

The election law states that the only write-in votes that are to be counted are those for properly declared, legally posted candidates. Neither entity has a declared write-in, therefore, any write-ins on a ballot in the 1995 city or school election is to be ignored.

During the early voting period, during regular office hours, city residents who are properly registered to vote, may vote at City Hall for city council candidates. Two positions are to be filled and Ralph Gonzalez and Raymond Goodloe are the candidates.

All people properly registered to vote in Kinney County may vote in the school board election at the High School Principal's office. Darlene Shahan, Gloria Garcia, Steve LaMascus, and Lloyd Lee Davis, Jr. are the candidates and three positions are to be filled.

On election day, May 6, the city council election will be held at City Hall from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The school board election will be conducted in the superintendent's office. The hours will also be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

that democracy isn't dependent on the power of a few, but on the devotion to principle of millions of individuals. In other words, they get the headlines. You've still got the power.

It's the millions of people that vote who are the true leaders of America. By executing their right to vote, they give their consent to a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. It is a fundamental principle of democracy that is too often lost in the smoke and mirrors of TV soundbites and daily headlines.

While gains have been made in the registration of voters, turnout remains level — if not disappointing. However, voters do get involved when the issues are important to them or when the candidates are well known and familiar. In 1992, an impressive 72.9 percent of all registered voters cast a ballot in that presidential election.



FFA Receives Picnic Table For Fund Raiser

FFA members Tim Hale, left, and James Parker stand beside the 8-foot metal picnic table that was donated to the Brackett FFA for fund raising by Metco of Junction, Texas. The table was assembled by the FFA and the community is being given an opportunity to own it by donating \$1.00 (or 6 opportunities for \$5). Ownership will pass to some lucky person on May 6 (election day). The picnic set (trailer not included) may be viewed at the Brackett FFA building.