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Post Enduro To Have Motorcycle Race

The Post Enduro Association will have a Grand Prix motorcycle race in Quitaque on June 3rd, during the National Trails Days Celebration. The race will run for 1-1/2 hours, starting with a parade lap at 5 p.m.

The race will start at 5:30 p.m. with a finish time at 7 p.m. The course is an approximate 4 mile loop through the west side of Quitaque. There will be eight classes of riders ranging from Expert to Novice. The course is laid out so it can be viewed from the highway going to the State Park.

The Post Enduro Association appreciates the cooperation of the Panhandle Compress, Caprock Canyons State Park, First National Bank, Ronnie Carpenter, Rusty Henson and Grady Jacobs for the use of the property upon which the event is being held.

Sponsors for the Grand Prix are Ray Lee Equipment, Floydada; Briscoe Implement, Silvertown; Consolidated Cotton-Carol Hammer; and Helms Irrigation, Quitaque. Also Westgate Chevrolet Geo, B&Z Overhead Door Co., The Golden Light Cafe, Quality Paint & Body, Royal Glass, Reynosa Construction, and James P. Hicks all of Amarillo. Lubbock sponsors are Honda of Lubbock, Stovall's Yamaha Country, Suzuki & Kawasaki Good Times and the Cycle Shack.

Something For the Kiddies Saturday

The Carnival Country Kiddie Arcade was born out of a need of the younger set, 13 and under, to have some entertainment at the Trails Day Celebration. There will be—"Burst the Balloon", "Fish Pond", "Knock the Cans" and one other game.

Win a prize each and every time you play. Tickets are required and will be available on the premises. The ticket stubs are good for a chance on the hourly drawings at 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and the grand prize drawing at 3 p.m.

The Caprock Public Library will receive 15% of the net. Be sure and put Carnival Country on your list of things to attend and win some of the prizes.

Kites—Kites—Kites Windsock Display

A kite display will be in Quitaque for the Trail Day Celebration. Kites of all descriptions, sizes and colors will be flying high and higher for everyone to watch with wonder.

The Windsock is advertised as being the largest in the world. Come by and view this beautiful airborne kites and windsocks June 3rd.

Local Video Tapes At Caprock Cafe

During the day on Saturday, June 3, 1995 the Caprock Cafe will be showing video tapes of interest to local residents as well as the visitors to Quitaque.

One of the tapes will have the 1963 eighth grade graduation and the 1965 senior graduation from Quitaque Schools, along with scenes from the local business district in those years. Another tape will feature Bill and Bessie Saul as they were interviewed for the *Eyes of Texas*.

A third video tape was narrated by Tommy Ross for a video that they made of a scenic tour of the country surrounding Quitaque.



Louis Randell, Keith Green, Melvin Clinton and Stuart Smith.

Turkey Memorial Services Sunday

Memorial Services were held last Sunday afternoon in Dreamland Cemetery. It was estimated that the crowd gathered under the trees on the East end of the cemetery was the largest to ever attend. It was almost an ideal day—hazy clouds and a slight cool breeze.

The program was opened by Keith Green leading the crowd in the Pledge to the American Flag.

Louis Randell read the names of those veterans who gave their lives in a war. There is a monument at the Bob Willis Center with these names engraved on it. Mr. Randell then gave the prayer.

The Rev. Stuart Smith, pastor of the Turkey Church of Christ, led the group in singing patriotic songs.

The Rev. Melvin Clinton delivered a very inspiring Memorial Address. The address was quite appropriate and gave those attending some thoughts to consider about Memorial Day—especially the young who are now growing up.

The service was closed by Rev. Smith leading the group in a song and a very apt quote from President Abraham Lincoln.

Circle Dot Trail Supper

Joe and Virginia Taylor of the Circle Dot are having a supper under the stars for guests at their ranch on Saturday night June 3rd.

Guests wishing to ride to the supper from the trail head should be ready to leave the Trail Head at 6 p.m. If you plan to join the group at the ranch headquarters you must be there by 6:30 p.m.

This should prove be a lovely night under the stars with all the good food you can eat and good entertainment to enjoy.

Craft Show At Community Center

An Arts and Craft show will be held in the Quitaque Community Center from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday.

The show is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and all proceeds will go to benefit the Caprock Public Library.

Valley Student Council To Paint Faces

by Jamie Wellman, Reporter

The Valley Student Council will be holding a fund raiser on Saturday, June 3. During the Trails Day Celebration the Council will have sunvisors and stress balls for sale and will be doing face painting (tatoos).

Their booth will be set up on Main Street Saturday. Look for it and support the Student Council of Valley High School. Your help is always appreciated by our school students.

Trail Day Parade Begins At 10:30 A.M.

Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. a parade will start winding its way from the west end of Quitaque and pass down Main Street through the business section of town.

If possible bring out your floats, horses, bikes, cars, etc. and join in the parade. If you can't join in the parade, be sure to come out to watch your friends and neighbors as they parade down Main Street Saturday.

Kwahadi Indian Dancers At 3:30

The famed Kwahadi Indian Dancers from Amarillo will be in Quitaque on June 3 to perform for the public at 3:30 p.m.

The popular Dancers are being presented to the public for their entertainment by the Quitaque Chamber of Commerce with a 45 minute program.

Antique Car Show and Poker Run

Antique cars will be in Quitaque in full force Saturday. They will be all shined up as if they were just brought from the show room floor yesterday.

Hopefully they will be in town in time for the parade and then they will be on display during the day for people to go by and admire the cars of yesterday.

At two p.m. a Poker run is to take place. The owners of the antique cars will have seven businesses in town to go to to pick up cards. At 4 p.m. they will gather and compare their hand of cards to see who has the best hand to win the Poker Run.

Dragster On Display At Jack's Automotive

A rear engine dragster will be on display at Jack's Automotive Saturday for the Trail Day Celebration. The car has 454 fuel injected engine.

The dragster is owned by Ty Lafferty of Amarillo who races it.

Mr. Lafferty bought the car from Dale Ramsey of Quitaque last August.

Trail Tours Offered All Day Saturday

The Circle Dot will be making tours of the Caprock Canyon Trailway all day Saturday. The first trip down the trail will be at approximately 8 a.m. providing there are enough patrons.

Two different tours will be available. One is approximately 20 miles round trip and the other about 30 miles. The shorter trip will go through the historic Clarity Tunnel before returning to the Trail Head.

Tickets may be purchased and information on times for the tours at the Trail Head at the west end of Quitaque.

"The Outlaws" Are Back In Town Saturday

The Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the western production of the "Outlaws" this year on June 3 for the Trail Day Celebration.

The event will take place on the vacant lot just west of the First National Bank, the same location as last year.

Each performance will last 15 to 20 minutes.

Show times will be 12 noon, 1:30 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. The sound of a cannon blast can be heard 10 minutes before each production as a signal that the show will soon begin.

Calendar Of Events

June 1
Quitaque Senior Citizens
Robbie Hill @ Turkey

June 3
Trail Day @ Quitaque
Caprock Jamboree @ Silvertown

June 4
Attend Worship of Choice

June 5
Quitaque Lions Club

June 6
Flomot Do Gooders
Turkey Fire Department

June 7
Quitaque Masonic Lodge
Briscoe Co. Historical Society

June 8
Quitaque Chamber of Commerce
Turkey 4—H Meeting

June 9
Rabies Clinic Turkey—Quitaque

June 10
Turkey City Council
Arts and Craft Meeting @ Turkey After City Council

June 11
Nuevo Study Club
Quitaque Senior Citizens.

Brisket Lunch Trail Day At 11

A barbecue brisket lunch with all the trimmings will be available on the north side of Highway 86 under the trees at the west edge of Quitaque.

Serving will begin at 11 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m.

You may purchase your tickets ahead of time on Main Street Saturday morning or at the picnic grounds when you arrive for lunch.

Dale Smith & Company are preparing the meal and a portion will be donated to the Chamber of Commerce.

Sandwiches and whole briskets will be available for sale after 2:20 p.m.

Lionel Train On Display

Friends of the Library are sponsoring the viewing of the Lionel Train Display in the Senior Citizens building on June 3. The display will be on view from Thursday evening until Sunday afternoon.

The display is owned and set up by the Henson family. The miniature display has skating scenes, Santa's Workshop, and a Snow Village scene.

Proceeds will go to the Caprock Public Library and the Senior Citizens.

Kids (all ages) will love to see the locomotives puffing their way up the mountain and back through the town.

Books-Quilts-Silver A Bit Of Everything

Sandwiched among the large events on Trails Day are several small "treats" for the residents and visitors to Quitaque.

"We the Women" will be selling chances on a beautifully embroidered quilt at the Senior Citizens Center. The Lionel Train Display will also be on display there beginning Thursday evening through Sunday afternoon. The drawing for the quilt will be held at 5 p.m. on June 3rd.

The Senior Citizens will be serving refreshments during the Arts and Crafts Show at the Community Center. They will also be selling chances on a set of silverplate silverware, service for eight.

Caprock Public Library will be holding a Book Sale. Once again there will be plenty of old books, many first editions. Some of these books were printed in the 1800's. More books than usual for children, some of the old favorites.

Be sure to search for these "small treats" among the big events on June 3rd—Trail Day.

Chili Cook-Off At West Edge Of Town

For the second year in a row Quitaque is fortunate to be able to have a Chili Cook-Off in town. If you have never attended a chili cook-off, you may want to go and see what it is all about. Lots of good food, showmanship, competition and just plain fun.

The Cook-Off is sponsored by the Tulia Livestock Auction. It is a CASI sanctioned event. Buckles, plaques and ribbons will be given as prizes.

Come on out and vote for the person who cooks the best chili, at least the one you think is best!

"Watch The Sky" Guinea Drop

At ten a.m. an airplane will fly over Quitaque and a guinea will gracefully float to the ground with a prize of \$100 attached to it's leg.

Whoever can catch the guinea will be the winner of the \$100. Although the guinea is a domesticated bird, they can soar for great distances and are not an easy prey to catch. You will probably need your track shoes if you plan to try to catch the guinea with the \$100.

The process will be repeated at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. with the guinea gracefully soaring to the ground from the plane.

Pancakes June 3 For Breakfast At Fire Hall

The Quitaque Lions Club will be having a Pancake Breakfast for the Trail Day Celebration. The Lions will be cooking pancakes, sausage, bacon and brewing coffee for one and all on Saturday, beginning at 6:30 a.m. They will serve breakfast until 9 a.m.

The Lions encourage everyone to come out and enjoy breakfast in the fresh open air at the Fire Hall on the west end of town.

THEN and NOW!

by Eunice McFall

Rewards! Everyone is always looking for the light at the end of the tunnel or the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow or to be rewarded for something special. Do you think that we get rewarded for things that are not so special just because we were in the right place at the right time? The definition of reward is to be compensated for something done. It can be in money, time, goods, power, esteem or in any number of ways.

Do we always go into a project expecting to reap a reward? If so we shall be sadly disappointed. Many times rewards are years coming. (Example—the raising of children) Sure, we reap rewards every day when we are in the process of rearing children but you will also reap long range rewards years and years after your children are grown and gone from home. Those tiny seeds you planted will years later grow into sturdy oak trees.

One of the most rewarding aspects of a group of people pulling together to get a project completed is the feelings of unity that they have with each other. True, it is great to get the project completed but the reward is not so sweet when there is fussing and fighting among the members of the team! When a project goes together swiftly, without trouble many persons have a great feeling of worth but when there is snag after snag and tempers get short, even when the project is completed, the joy is not as great as it would have been if the group had all pulled together.

By pulling together, I do not mean that everyone has to agree with everyone else. You can still voice your opinion but be willing to compromise for the good of the project. No one can be right all of the time! If we are called upon to compromise for the good of the project, we should do so graciously and not grudgingly. If it is done grudgingly everyone goes away with a bitter taste about the matter.

Those in Quitaque who have worked so hard in the past to make Saturday, June 3, 1995 a special day for everyone should be congratulated for a job well done. A lot of sweat, tears, and just plain hard work has made quite a difference in the look of our town and in the celebration offerings for Trails Day. When you see someone who you think has had a hand in the preparation for the Trails Day Celebration give them a big Thanks, for without all the many hours of volunteer labor it certainly would not have come to pass.

Get out Saturday and enjoy all the rewards that the day has to offer to one and all.

Michael Martin Murphy Concert Saturday Night

To put the perfect finish on a fun filled day Michael Martin Murphy will be in concert for the entertainment of the residents and visitors of Quitaque Trails Day.

At 9 p.m. the band *Riverwind* will start off the evening's entertainment at the concert site. The concert is being held just off Highway 1065 North which goes to the State Park Entrance. Signs will designate the spot for parking.

Following the band, *Riverwind*, Michael Martin Murphy will mount the stage for your entertainment.

Tickets are available at Quitaque City Hall and the Sportsman. Saturday they will be available at the Sportsman or at the entrance to the concert Saturday night.

7 A. M. Balloons Over Quitaque

At 7 a.m. three hot air balloons, *The Cats Meow*, *Sunriz II* and *Pulse* will be drifting over the town of Quitaque in graceful flight.

The balloons will rise from the ADM Paymaster gin lot at approximately 7 a.m. weather permitting.

Owners of the three balloons are Gale Richardson of Lubbock, Robert and Lua Pendleton of Amarillo and Mark Riha of Canyon.

Rise early and come out and see the 6 and 7 story balloons lift off.

Information Center

An information center will be placed in front of the J&K Insurance Office on Main Street. Anyone needing information about any of the events of the day may go by this booth and inquire.

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June 7
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Happy Birthday

June 1
 Aaron Dowd, Kathy Taylor, P. Jay Merrell
June 2
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June 3
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June 4
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June 5
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June 6
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June 7
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Hutsell To Retire

Earlyne Hutsell, Briscoe CFSA County Executive Director will be retiring June 2, 1995. Earlyne has devoted approximately 22 years of service for farmers in Briscoe County and Burnet County where she was Burnet County Executive Director for almost 2 years.

The Briscoe County CFSA Committee and employees will host a reception Thursday, June 15, 1995 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Briscoe County CFSA Office in Silvertown to honor Earlyne. We ask that you all come to the reception to help us congratulate her and wish her the best. A money tree will be available for anyone wishing to contribute to a gift.

Earlyne provided extraordinary service to the farmers in the years she was a Program Assistant and as a County Executive Director. She will be missed by all. Thanks! Earlyne.

 Lost time is never found again.
 —Benjamin Franklin

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 Leave Ranch Headquarters 6:30 p.m.

OBITUARY

Berry Barham

Services for Berry Barham, 70, of Glen Rose was at 10 a.m. Monday, May 29, 1995 at Wiley Funeral Home in Glen Rose with the Revs. Mary Mercer and Farris Whitehead officiating.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Flomot Cemetery.

Barham died Saturday, May 27, 1995 at his home.

He was born March 15, 1925 in Russel, Oklahoma, and lived in Flomot for 20 years. He served in the U. S. Navy from 1944—1946 during WW II. He moved to Glen Rose in 1987.

Survivors include a daughter, Sandra Leutwyler of Glen Rose; a brother Doyle Barham of Kress; two sisters, Lillie Faye Sperry of Quitaque and Vera Turner of Dumas; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren

Bob Keeter

Services for Bob Keeter, 69 of Tulia were at 2 p.m. Friday, May 26, 1995 at Tulia Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jan Horne officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Wallace Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, May 23, 1995 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Keeter was born in Texola, Oklahoma on July 8, 1925. On Feb. 15, 1947 he married Eve Price in Folkston, GA. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and was a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the American Legion and Christ Evangelical Lutheran church.

He grew up in Quitaque and attended schools there. He joined the Navy in 1942 and served in WW II. He was discharged in 1946. He lived in Jacksonville, Fla. for seven years before moving to Lockney in 1953. He moved to Tulia in 1956. He was owner and operator of Keeter's Meat Co. It changed names to Swisher Meat Co. in 1963.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Cheryl Parker of Graham; four sons, Joel of Abilene and Harold, Bobby and Jerry, all of Tulia; four sisters, Mildred Reagan of Lockney, Joy Assiter of Floydada, Loys Johnson of Saslinas, CA; and Jean Taylor of Hollis, OK; a brother, Joe Keeter of Lockney; and eight grandchildren.

Caprock Jamboree

Briscoe County 4—H will be serving the hamburgers for the Caprock Jamboree in Silvertown on Saturday, June 3, 1995. The meal will begin at 5 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs up and see the good show that is lined up for you to enjoy.



Herrington Judges Piano Guild Auditions

Seventy one students from Hollis, OK; Childress; Paducah and Quanah participated in the National Piano Playing Auditions at the Quanah Guild Center on May 11—13. The students were striving for national honors. They received a trophy, national certificate, report card and gold embossed pin.

Mrs. Patsy Herrington was the judge for this year's audition. Patsy became interested in music at an early age when her mother took her on the train each week to Plainview, a distance of 60 miles, for accordion lessons. These soon blossomed into piano and organ lessons.

Today Mrs. Herrington teaches at Valley School. She has been a private piano-organ teacher for 25 years, and teaches an average of 25 students. Each year she drives large distances to enter her students in Piano Guild Auditions.

Mrs. Herrington, a Nationally Certified Music Teacher, got her education at North Texas State University and Wayland Baptist University. She has done extensive studies with such prestigious artists as Dale Peters, Margaret Grubb, Mark Pair and Earl Miller. Mrs. Herrington can list accomplishments in an unprecedented range of areas—teacher, performer, adjudicator, as well as an outstanding musician.

In 1983 she was honored the high distinction of a permanent position in the Hall of Fame of Piano Guild Teachers. A member of Who's Who, she has been on National Honor Roll of Guild for the past 18 years.

Six of her students have been Paderewski Gold Medal winners, one of the Piano Guild's highest achievements. In 1987 she was certified by the American College of Musicians, the highest award a Guild teacher can obtain.

Rabies Clinic Wednesday, June 7

A rabies shot clinic for pets will be held in Turkey and Quitaque on Wednesday, June 7. The clinic will be held at Turkey Fire Station from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Rabies shots will be given at the Quitaque Fire Station from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Dr. David Fuston of Childress will be giving the shots.

There seems to be an increase on rabies in wild animals such as skunks, so people are advised to protect not only their pets but their families as well by having the family pets vaccinated for rabies.

Turkey Methodist Hold Bible School

Children 3 years of age through the sixth grade are invited to attend a program at Bible School. The program will start June 5 and end on June 9. Starting time is 9 a.m. and will dismiss at 11:30 each day.

The children will visit Capernaum and Caesarea ports and visit five Bible-time ports along the Sea of Galilee.

A program will be presented on Friday morning following the regular session. The program will be for parents and guests. Following the program the group will be treated to a lunch of hot dogs.

Those involved and helping with the bible School are: Sue and Les Hall, Jackie Jenkins, Fredia Fuston, Bonnie Hill, Patsy Tinney, Tina Clay, Robyn and Luke Boedeker, Bettie Green and Velda and Janet Ross. Julie Ross will keep the nursery for those teachers involved in the Bible School.

Robyn Boedeker will be in charge of the music. Hope to see you next Monday morning!

VBS At Baptist Church in Quitaque

The First Baptist Church of Quitaque will be having their Vacation Bible School Monday thru Friday, June 19-23 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Vans will be picking up the children.

On Sunday night June 18, at 7 p.m. a watermelon feed will be at the City Park for pre-registration.

Friday at 11:30 a.m. a program for the parents and a frito pie lunch will be the conclusion of the Vacation Bible School.

 Manners are like the cypher in arithmetic—they may not be much in themselves, but they are capable of adding a great deal to the value of everything else.
 —Freya Stark

Art Showing At Bank

An Art Show will be in progress at the First National Bank in the Lobby starting at 9 a.m. on June 3 and will remain open until 5 p.m.

Artists expected to show their works are Otho Stubbs, Turkey; Don Turner, Turkey; John Christopher White, Silvertown; Linda Jaynes, Hale Center; Durwood Campbell, Lubbock; Glen Lyles, Plainview; Terry Keltz, Slaton; Laura Fields, Clarendon and a representative of Kenneth Wyatt of Tulia.

Go by the Bank and see all the lovely paintings by these artists. With this many artists on display you can not help but like some of their art work.

Flea Market Available

The Quitaque Quail Lodge is the spot to visit Saturday if you are interested in a Flea Market. There will be something for everyone at this market three miles west of Quitaque on Highway 86.

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A unique historic feature of the Caprock Canyons State Park Trailway is a 1000 ft. abandoned railroad tunnel. One of only a few such tunnels in Texas, it is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
 Photo Courtesy Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept.

National Trails Day Celebration
Saturday, June 3
Quitaque, Texas

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Letter to The Editor

Thank you! I read the Tribune from "Cover to cover" every week! I was born and raised in Turkey, and the Tribune is my way of "keeping in touch" with old friends and current news from Turkey and Quitaque!

Norma L. Hefner

Many a man is mad in certain instances, and goes through life without having it perceived.

—Samuel Johnson

6.25 inches of Rain in Quitaque in May



Hot air balloon begins filling as the sun rose over Quitaque last year. The balloons lifted off around 7 a.m.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson
OVERHEARD
Two senior citizens were sittin' and talkin'. One asked the other how old he was. "I'm 93 today," he said. "I'm in pretty good health and I'm shooting for 100. Statistics show that fewer people die after 100 than any other age."

TRIP TO ENGLAND
Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd accompanied by Mary and Norris Cloyd of Tyler were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cloyd in Bath, England from May 2 to 10th. They enjoyed a guided tour of the interesting and educational attractions in Bath.

The families rode a train going 125 mph from Bath to London and attended the V.E. Day celebration. They had the pleasure of seeing the royal family in the parade, and toured many attractions. The colorful flower gardens throughout England were beautiful and Annie B. returned home with many scenic and historical photos of England.

Before returning home, she visited in Center with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robertson and family, Mrs. Sue Massey and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barron. In Shelbyville, she visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Weaver. Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin accompanied her on return trip home Wednesday, May 24, from Lubbock Airport.

COLD FRONT BRINGS RAIN INTO AREA
Thunderstorms and a cold front moved back into the area Memorial Day with 1.50 inches of rain reported in Whiteslat and 1.73 inches in Flomot.

Total registered official rainfall from May 23 through May 29 was 2.45, reported by Mrs. Tommie Cruse, NWSV, 5 1/2 miles east northeast of Flomot. Whiteslat residents reported from 2.50 to 3.00 inches of moisture during this same period. This is a good report, because the rain was needed. Only a few farmers had begun planting cotton previous to this last rain.

Viola Stinson and Mary Ellen Barton visited in Paducah Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Ones.

Victor Bond of Tulsa, OK visited during the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bond.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee visited during the weekend in Kerrville with daughter and family Teresa and Robert McGraw, Kellan and Kacey.

Donnie Rogers was in Lindale Saturday to attend a dance recital of his daughters Natalie and Brooke Rogers. They returned home with him Sunday and visited until Tuesday when he accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey attended the Tascosa High School graduation ceremonies of their granddaughter Christina Reid, held at the Civic Center in Amarillo Friday night. They visited her family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid and T. C. then visited overnight Friday and Saturday in Fritch with daughter and family.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Saturday June 3
Quitaque
Padres vs Dodgers 1:00 p.m.
Rangers vs Tigers 2:30

Tuesday, June 6
Big Field
Dodgers vs Astros 6:00 p.m.
Small Field
Tigers vs White Sox 6:00 p.m.

Friday June 9
Small Field
Astros vs Padres 7:00 p.m.
Big Field
Rangers vs Tigers 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 10
Quitaque
Tigers vs White Sox 3:00 p.m.
Padres vs Dodgers 4:30 p.m.

Married couples who love each other, tell each other a thousand things without talking.
—Chinese Proverb

and Mrs. L. G. "Red" Brown and Mike Montague of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Burger of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Luckenbach of Silverton and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Blount, Scott and Michele of Paducah.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Aleda Elaine were in Granite, OK last weekend to attend Mr. Ross's 55th class reunion. Former schools Willow, Brinkman, Lake Creek and Liberty consolidated with Granite Schools. Mr. Ross is the noted historical of the Willow and Brinkman schools that he attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Starkey, Tanya and Jackie visited Saturday night and Sunday in Wellington with her mother Mrs. Edna Benton.

Celebrating the birthday of Mrs. B. Rogers Saturday with all the trimmings were daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Donna Degan and Shay of Calgary and friends, Mrs. Leona Degan and Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert, local residents. Visiting Saturday night and Sunday with her and husband Howard Rogers, was son Ronnie of Lubbock.

Marilee and Fred Cooper and son Carl of Borger visited during the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Aleda Elaine and his sister Mrs. Elizabeth Andestad of El Paso visited in Olton Saturday with their sister and husband, Dorothy and J. L. Carson.

THE CRABS ARE COMING!
Pet Hermit Crabs
For Sale
During Trail Day
June 3, 1995 Quitaque, Texas
In Front Of The Old Massey Ferguson Building

Yesteryear

Taken from The Turkey Enterprise, Thursday, June 5, 1947

Turkey Gets More Air-Minded Every Week

Turkey now boasts five air-planes. Swede Fuston went to Floydada last Saturday and flew home a Cub Coupe. Lewis Eudy went to Amarillo Monday and flew home an Aeronca Chief. Both planes are two-place. The three already at the field belong to Billie Fuston, Gus Eudy and J. V. Mohon.

The two additional planes has forced Roy Fuston to enlarge his landing field. He is finishing two new hangars to house the latest two planes, there already being a three-plane hangar in operation.

Also he has been improving and extending the three run-ways at the field and now the planes may take off or land from any direction.

Lewis Eudy's Aeronca Chief is operated by steering wheel instead of stick control.

Solid Comfort At The Queen

Quitaque got something this week that she's been wanting a long, long time—new seats at the picture show.

Manager C. C. Ham has installed some very attractive and comfortable seats, in a modern blonde finish, with pretty red leather spring cushions.

Oh, boy, now for a good long double-feature, and neither end of anybody will go to sleep.

Notice to the Public

The Turkey Library will be open from 4 until 6 o'clock on each Wednesday and Saturday during the summer months.

Mrs. Denver Powell, Librarian—
Dr. Nyvall To Locate Here

Dr. Harry Nyvall, here last week looking over Turkey as a likely location for the practice of his profession, has notified R. A. Smith of the City Drug Store, and secretary of the Lions Club, that he has definitely made up his mind to locate in Turkey and will be here as soon as he can arrange his business in Chicago. He now wants to purchase a home in Turkey.

Tom Eudy and Lewis Ferguson visited in Roaring Springs Sunday afternoon.

Misses Edna Murray Tiffen and Billy Tibbets of Quitaque shopped here Monday afternoon.

Organizational Meeting For Turkey 4-H Club

by Brad Schnitker
There will be an Organizational Meeting for the Turkey 4-H Club on Tuesday, June 6th at 7 p.m. at the Bob Wills Memorial Center. All youth that will be in the 3rd grade through 12th grade this coming school year are eligible to be a 4-H member. This will be a very important meeting to get the club organized and going. We encourage all youth that are interested to please attend and bring parents with them.

4-H is a non-profit youth organization that is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service through the Texas A&M University Systems. 4-H is a total family involvement organization that teaches youth leadership, community service and citizenship through 4-H projects that range from livestock projects to foods and nutrition, shooting sports and many other projects.

The Texas 4-H program has one of the largest scholarship programs in Texas. Last year, 4-H members received over \$875,000 worth of scholarships.

For more information about the organizational meeting of the Turkey 4-H Club, please contact Brad Schnitker, County Extension Agent-Ag for Hall County at 806/259-3015.

Texas Agricultural Extension Programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



Ian Tyson Farley

Betty and Billy Farley are proud to announce the arrival of a new grandson! The baby boy was named Ian Tyson Farley. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 23 inches long. He was born May 17, 1995 in Abilene. He is the son of Wes and Amber Farley.

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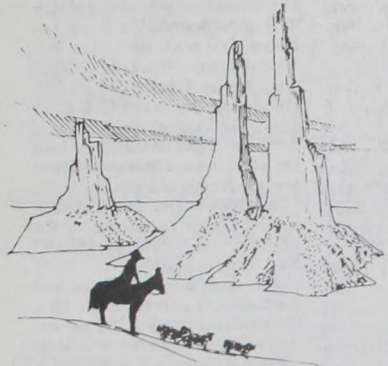
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Michael Martin Murphey At Home With Ballads Of Old West Or The Symphony

Saturday, June 3

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You will soon realize listening to him that he is more than just a singer that you like his music. He is the sort of person you would like to have visit you in your home.

Murphey who is a ranch owner in Taos, NM has been branching out as a script and magazine writer, film producer and and Old West researcher.

Murphey remains happy to live modestly in a small town and only being on the road with his music about 100 days a year. He says money is not his primary concern, the place in which he lives, the books he can collect, the quiet life of country living is what he treasures most in his life style. Most artists do not have time to contemplate the mystery of life-by quiet living he has the time to think. What he feels is most important is that he is still playing and singing, selling records and is still a happy man after 25 years in the business.

Murphey began his career as a singing cowboy wrangler singing cowboy songs sitting around the campfire at the Sky Ranch in Lewisville, Texas at the age of 15. Later he went to college at UCLA but he continued his musical career as a member of the "Lewis and Clark Expedition", a folk group. In the late '60's he wrote songs for many folk music singers. In 1971 he had his first hit, *Geronimo's Cadillac*. With three years and three albums behind him he watched *Wildfire* get into the top 10 on both the pop and country charts.

What's *Forever For* became his first No. 1 country hit. His interest to preserve and promote country music led him to found Warner Western, a division of Warner

Brothers Records which is entirely dedicated to western music.

Murphey says, "There are important distinctions between current country music and the Western or cowboy music."

He tries to reach listeners who yearn to reach beyond the current hits and find music that taps into a deeper part of the soul. He says, "I think the sales of my cowboy albums prove there is a hunger out there for history and roots and analysis of who we are and what we are all about."

In 1980 Murphey began a new phase of his career, movies. He wrote the Screenplay, co-ordinated the music soundtrack and appeared in *Hard Country* which was acclaimed as the most authentic contemporary portrait of the Southwest and its time. In 1994 he created his own character, an old West musician-detective, for *Lonesome Dove*, drawing rave reviews from fellow actors and the director.

Each year in Christmas concert Murphey presents the "Cowboy Christmas Ball." This is a great fun show based on the famous get-together every winter at Anson, Texas. He has an affinity for both the Old and New West. Eventually he has discovered that the old, traditional ballads tend to stick closer to the truth than the superficial stories passed along in movies, books and magazines of infamous Western outlaws.

One of his most pleasant memories was to record a duet with Marty Robbins. Even tho the duet was recorded posthumously, with his hero, it was still, Murphey felt the greatest honor he has been afforded in his life.

Many people have influenced Michael over the years in his field of music. A few are Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys, Woodie Guthrie, Merle Haggard, Irving Berlin, Hank Williams, Gene Autrie, Tin Pan Alley Songwriters, John Lennon/

Paul McCartney, Bob Dylan, Flatt & Scruggs, J. S. Bach, Bill Monroe and traditional Scotch-Irish Music.

In 1984 he signed on with Warner Bros. Records and has completed 23 albums. Prior to this he had been with Epic and Capitol Records.

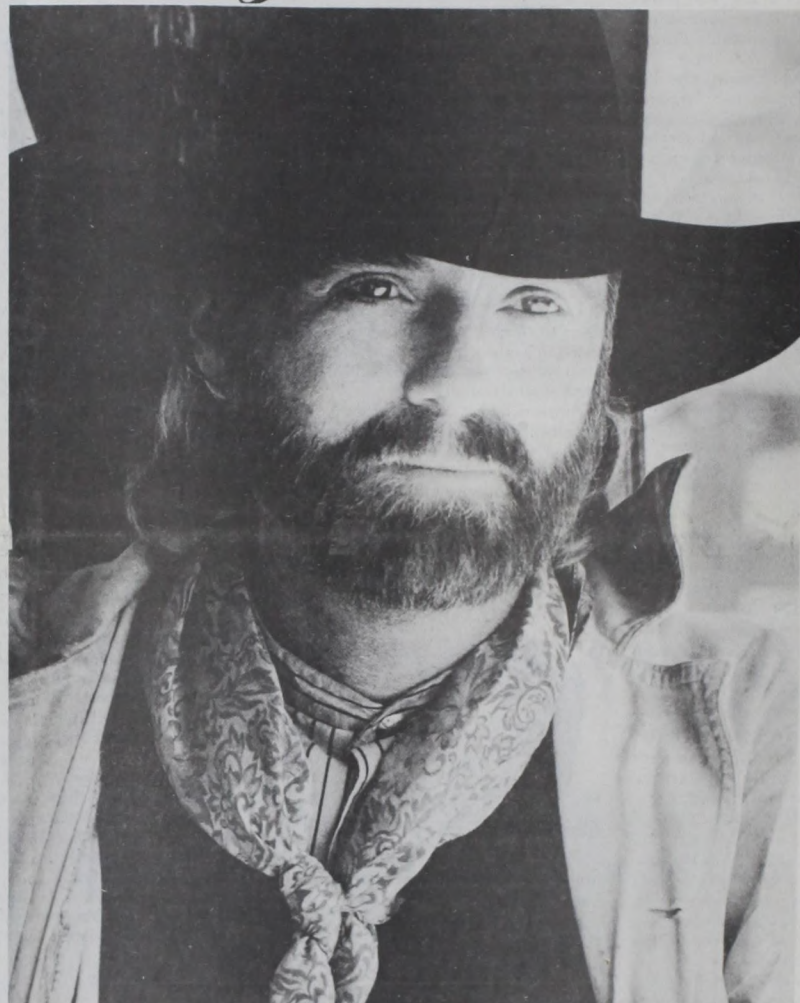
The Rio Grande Band consists of David Coe, fiddle, mandolin, and alto sax; Leroy Featherston, drums; Ryan Murphey, acoustic and electric guitars; Gary Roller, bass; Con Woodbury, steel guitar and Frank Sweich, piano and keyboards.

Murphey is full of surprises. In the past he has been known to bring along cowboy poets, people whom he considers top of the line in cowboy singing, (he is unafraid of competition in his own show), and even some Fancy Dancers and Indian pipe players. He superbly balances the new and the traditional, the serious and the fun.

He feels that the American cowboy music has a lot of its roots in traditional Irish music.

Murphey and the symphony orchestras are not strange to each other either. He has performed with them for years, in locales as various as Wolf Trap and Wichita Falls. In 1973 as an Austin resident, Murphey presented his second album, *Cosmic Cowboy Souvenir*, on the stage of the Armadillo World Headquarters with a string quartet.

To sum up the feelings of Michael Martin Murphey's about his brand of music is this quote from him. "The most important thing for me to communicate is that 'Western' does not automatically mean 'cowboy'"



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- 8:00 a.m. - Trail Tours
- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Flea Market at Quail Lodge
- 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Chili Cook-off and awards
- 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm. - Arts and Crafts Show
- 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Lionel Trail Display
- 9:00 a.m. - Information Center at Chamber office
- 9:00 a.m. - Dragster on Display
- 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Art Show
- 9:30 a.m. - Books Sale
- 10:00 a.m. - Kite Display
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Children's Arcade games
- 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 & 4:00 p.m. - Guinea Drop
- 10:30 a.m. - Trails Day Parade
- 11:00 a.m. - Antique Car Show
- 11:00 a.m. - Cowboy Barbeque Lunch
- 12 noon; 1:30, 3:00, and 4:30 pm. -Outlaws Western Production
- 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Street music
- 2:00 p.m. - Poker Run
- 3:30 p.m. - Kwahadi Indian Dancers
- 5:00 p.m. - Quilt Drawing
- 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Grand Prix Motorcycle Rce
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Country Girl Falls in Love With Doodlebug

by Lee Hill-Nelson
(from the Amarillo Globe News)
In the evenings I watched for the Doodlebug train. From down the track a way I would hear a whistle blow, and in the door stood a man in a black uniform waving a rolled-up newspaper, which he threw just as the train passed in front of my home.

We lived in the Buffalo Flat community of Hall county in those days of the 1930s.

The train, to me, looked like a big, black doodlebug crawling down the tracks. It had an engine, a passenger car, a dining car, and a baggage car.

In the evening the train came back and a pattern was set for years to come. The whistle blew, the conductor threw a day-old Fort Worth Star Telegram or a Denver Post, and one of us seven kids ran to the train tracks to get the newspaper. As days passed, I stared at the dressed-up people riding on the train and imagined wonderful stories about them; happy people, traveling to far-away places, and maybe they were rich.

I'd never been close to a train. One day my big moment came. The Doodlebug stopped for repairs in front of our house. The conductor got out of the train, waved a newspaper and motioned for me to come down to the tracks.

"Hello, my name's Tom Huggins," he said, reaching for my hand. I stared at him, knowing I was supposed to say something. No sounds came out. I looked down and saw my dirty bare feet, and hoped he didn't see them. I grabbed the newspaper and ran home.

I entered high school. The newspapers continued to teach me about life in a bigger world, and I dreamed of some day living in cities like Denver or Fort Worth.

And then one day my sister and I went to Dallas to work. She was 22 and I was 18. When we came back to visit the ones we left behind, we rode the Doodlebug from Childress to Turkey. Mr. Huggins collected tickets.

We told him who we were and where we were going. "I'm glad you are riding this train," he said as he shook our hands and a big smile crossed his face. "I've thrown you newspapers for years." Surely we were in the company of an old friend.

Dusk had settled in when we reached our house. Mama was on the front porch. The train whistle blew as Mr. Huggins waved a newspaper holding a flashlight in his other hand. He'd written on the newspaper a message: "Meet your daughters at the train station. They're coming home."



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Wild Sights and Sounds In the Canyon of Time

Courtesy of Houston Chronicle, Wyman Meinzer

One of the best ways to see Caprock Canyons State Park is by taking a six-mile scenic drive that reveals geologic formations in the vertical cliffs and creek basins along much of the road system.

But for a closer look, 24 miles of well-marked trails for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding meander through the park's rocks and bluffs. At the South Prong Canyon parking area, hikers begin a 1 1/2 mile trek to the top of Haines Ridge along the course of the Little Red River.

During the hike, they'll ascend 1,000 feet and pass through five types of vegetation, from the shortgrass prairie around the parking area to the Mohr oaks that dominate the ridges. Standing atop the vertical sandstone cliffs, they will see a yawning abyss that opens to almost endless rolling plains to the east.

As hikers proceed along the spine of Haines Ridge, short sidetrips to the right of the trail yield breathtaking views into the depths of South Prong Canyon. To the left of the trail is the narrower but still impressive North Prong Canyon.

With luck, hikers may glimpse a band of elusive aoudad sheep, creatures of the rocks, imported from Africa several years ago. Their flowing gait up and around the sandstone cliffs might inspire a hiker to try to follow the nimble animals for a short distance, but more than one search party has been launched for someone who got carried away in Caprock's precipitous cliffs.

The Caprock Escarpment and rolling plains have been home to hundreds of wildlife species over the centuries. As the land became settled in the late 19th century, many species, including the American bison and antelope, were hunted to the point of extinction. Now, after restoration efforts by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 14 buffalo and 18 antelope roam their historical range within the park's boundaries, delighting visitors along the paved roadway near Lake Theo.

Mesquite and juniper shrubs are dotted with many species of bird life year-round. Road runners, mockingbirds, meadowlarks and cardinals can be seen any season. In the open grasslands, red-tailed hawks and Harris' hawks patrol the skies in search of an unsuspecting mouse or rabbit feeding in the grass below. Eagles nest high above a hiking trail in South Prong Canyon and are visible through binoculars.

In the spring and summer, American coots feed and play among the cattails and shallows of the 120-acre Lake Theo, about five miles north of Quitaque (pronounced KITTY quay). Located almost directly in the path of the central flyway for migrating waterfowl, Theo is also home to several duck species during cold weather.

Fishermen frequent the lake for black bass, catfish and crappie. In winter the cool, deep waters are stocked with trout for fly-fishing.

At night, when the day visitors have left and campers have settled in, the park seems strangely empty. Ghostly gray forms bound toward the brush, pausing long enough to take shape as two mule deer followed by a pair of yearlings. Darkness emboldens them, and they soon lose their fear, feeding along the banks of the Little Red River.

From somewhere in a canyon, the howl of a coyote rises, then trails away into the darkness. It's a wild sound, but comforting in this place.

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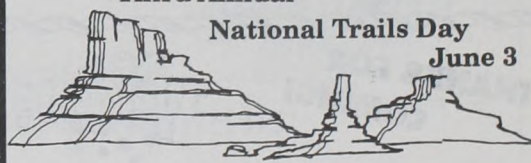
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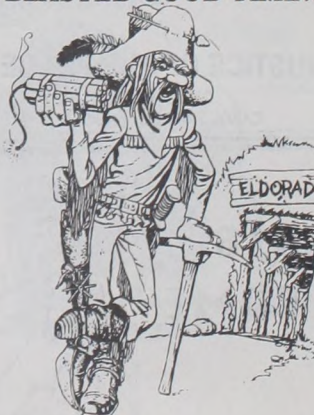
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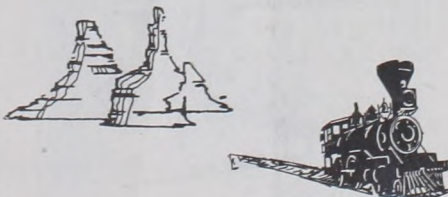
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The tunnel runs through a massive red and gray sandstone formation overlooking Quitaque Creek, and located on the Saul Ranch.

It was blasted in 1927 for the Fort Worth and Denver railroad, and facilitated the line's busy traffic for almost sixty years.

Twenty feet high, 18 feet wide, and almost 800 feet long, the tunnel extends from southwest to northeast until it curves in a northerly direction about 190 feet beneath the highest point of the sandstone formation.

A Colorado firm built the tunnel, and crews composed chiefly of Irishmen and Swedes camped at the site, doing the work in the remote setting of mesquite and cottonwood-dotted flats and colorful sandstone cliffs. The scene has changed little, if any, since the first white settlers inhabited the valley in the 1870s.

First procedure in constructing the tunnel was drilling and blasting a drift shaft that would barely give operating room for the workmen, the small mining cars that carried the rock away, and the little mules that 'boosted' the cars. Otho Stubbs of Turkey was one of the 'sidewalk superintendents' while construction was in progress and was impressed by the performance of the mules.

"Those mules that looked like they were not much more than waist high to the men, would start pulling the cars loaded with rock, and get them rolling at a fast clip, then quickly step aside and lean against the wall of the shaft until the cars whizzed by," Stubbs recalled.

The mules were hitched to the cars with a device that would release when the animals stepped to one side. The rock was dumped at the ends of the tunnel as fill for the railroad bed. Steam shovels were used to remove rock from the tunnel.

Blasting was done with dynamite, and Stubbs said the blasts could be heard in Turkey about 20 miles away.



"On a Clear Day..." The trail follows the old railroad tracks through some of the most beautiful rough country and canyons in the state of Texas. Wildflowers bloom in profusion alongside the track, and underbrush grows on top of the cut. In the distance, a spring haze obscures the surrounding hills and canyon walls.

Unique Trail Shows Best Of Quitaque Country

by Bill Orr, Lubbock Avalanche - Journal

At an abandoned railroad crossing outside town, the old Burlington Northern trail still runs ramrod straight in both directions. For miles and miles, the corridor tears across the eroded badlands, head down, straight as an arrow, minus its rails and crossties.

In the distance, mesquite scrub borders the bare road like bunting, and heat shimmers on the crusty surface.

And far beyond that, on the edge of the earth, the narrow trail climbs over a small rise and then, like a curious child, wanders this way and that, vanishing in a veil of blue haze.

In the 1870s the Comanches lost the Caprock, a long ragged scar on the boundless plains.

A decade later, locomotives were roaring through the canyon bottoms, carrying cattle and cotton to far-off places.

But, like the Indians, the railroad became a throwback to another time, a relic of past glory, unable to hold on.

And so in July of 1993, the last train rumbled through the dark tunnel just south of Turkey Creek, and a salvage company peeled off the rails and crossties.

But the romance of the region didn't die.

Slowly, steadily, Caprock Canyons State Park transformed the 65-mile train path into an adventure trail for cyclists, hikers, and equestrians, the first of its kind for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

"This is an opportunity we fought hard not to lose -- this abandoned railroad" said Rusty Sargent, the park superintendent.

Following Burlington Northern's old route, the trail cuts across rusty cotton fields in the west, drops into the Caprock escarpment for 15 miles and then plows across another patch of plains in the east, ending at the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River.

The western leg, which opened June 5, of 1993, stretches from South Plains to Quitaque, just south of the 14,000-acre state park, where another 23-mile trail already existed. The eastern leg spans 42 miles from Quitaque to Estelline.

Along the Caprock, the trail traverses remote, rugged terrain, its most spectacular scenery. Columns of sand and stone reach toward the sky like pedestals, and gulies and gorges shoot across the landscape like deep craggy wrinkles.

For the most part, the trail consists of light volcanic rocks, the foundation of the railroad.

The crusty porous rock was broken up to create a crude cinder track -- good for mountain bikes, but too uneven for the thin tires of a touring bike.

A bridle path for horses runs along the main trail, and a few primitive campgrounds, each accessible for a fee, are scattered about on private ranchland.

The transformation from railroad to adventure trail took time. The path crosses nearly a mile of narrow bridges -- 50 in all -- and the bridges had to have handrails to keep people from falling into the arroyos. In addition, many wooden bridges had to be decked over.

To complicate things, the trail also crosses 29 public roads. To keep cars off the free trail, park workers have built short barriers of cast-off crossties. Each barrier, shaped like a rail fence, zigzags into a narrow opening, where only bicycles and horses can funnel through.

The park has historical exhibits prepared, so people can peer into the region's romantic past.

As it is, the area's history already seems alive, and images of the past flicker in the mind. Spanish explorers searching for the seven cities of gold, Comanches hunting buffalo, and locomotives roaring across the land.



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Part of the beautiful rugged country of Caprock Canyons Park. This was truly the End of the Trail for the Indians who first came to this country, with good water, plenty of hunting and game, and miles and miles of land protected from the cold winds of the panhandle.

The Land at the 'End of the Trail'

AUGUST 1978 — a longtime resident of Quitaque area, Mrs. Lucille Ross Graham, wrote the following story about the early history of Quitaque.

"The origin of the name Quitaque came from the location—Mrs. Graham writes.

In wooded canyons the lobos (wolves) sang their weird, mournful songs, while on the prairies, the welkin rang with the staccato bark of the coyote. The buffalo browsed on the grassy slopes and rested their great sides in the buffalo wallows. The panther, bear, and catamount reared their young in secluded dens, but 'man was not.' Then as the stream of years flowed

on, Indians, footsore and weary, followed the channel of the long river to its source. In the rocky walls of the towering cliffs, they found the end of the trail. They called the river Quitaque, "End of the Trail," for it was the end of the trail for them.

The Los Lingos Rier may also have gotten its name from the Indians and traders in much the same manner. Here is Mrs. Graham's explanation: "From the sheltered recesses of the Bow, the Comanches made savage war on the hapless white settlers far to the east and south, killing, pillaging, burning, taking captive many women and children. On the banks of the short river, the Indians held the captives

prisoner until they could sell them as slaves to nomad tribes of Indians and to Mexican bandits.

The cries and pleadings of these captives rose continually as they wept and yearned for the home from which they were torn. From the continual babbling of tongues, the Mexicans and the Indians called the river Los Lingos, the Tongue River."

It is also interesting how the name Flomot came into being.

Prior to 1900 all across the Valley there was only an area known as North Quitaque and South Quitaque, with the southern portion extending south beyond the area of the Quitaque Peaks. The first post office was on the "F" Ranch, but in 1902, the people of the South Quitaque area petitioned for another post office, and a postmaster was appointed. The post office was in the postmaster's home, located on the Floyd-Motley county line. Taking the first three letters of the two counties, the name Flomot was created, so came into being the first Flomot Post office.

News Articles From 1975 Announce Formation of Park, New Name for Lake

1975 News Articles Announce Formation, Name Change for Park

In January of 1975, an announcement was made that a State Park will be formed out of the area around Lake Theo, north of Quitaque. The announcement came simultaneously from the offices of U.S. Representative Jack Hightower, State Senator Ray Farabee, and State Representative Phil Cates. The area from which the new state park will be formed is better known as the Theo Geisler Ranch.

The park is accessible via FM 1065, and a county road north of Quitaque. The park contains in excess of 13,500 acres including two scenic caprock canyons, several thousand acres of rough land below the escarpment, the 130 acre Lake Theo impoundment, and several smaller lakes and tanks. The scenic features of the Lake Theo site are somewhat similar to Palo Duro Canyon, but enhanced by the existence of a small fishing lake and the potential for creating other water features.

Lake Theo Park Now Has New Name

In September, 1975, a news release from the Texas Parks Department announced a change in name for several State Parks here in Texas. It told of a new State Park that had been formed in Briscoe County and had been named Caprock Canyons State Park, but did not go on to say that the new park had originally been called Lake Theo State Park.

Historical Marker Unveiled At Site Of Bison Kill

In May of 1978, a historical medallion was unveiled and dedicated at the Folsom Kill Site in Caprock Canyons State Park north of Quitaque.

It is thought that the bison kill was probably 10,000 years ago, and that when the bison kill took place, the men who were here probably dressed in skins of animals. They killed great numbers of bison near the site of the historical medallion. They probably spent months there, dressing and preparing the meat for food.

The inscription on the medallion reads:

Lake Theo Folsom Bison Kill Site "Stone tool fragments were

Circle Dot Ranch Becoming Tourist Attraction

These days, the Circle Dot Ranch, located off the edge of the Caprock in the canyons overlooking the Caprock Canyon Trailway, is becoming a thriving tourist attraction. Some people come here for the sourdough biscuits prepared in the chuck wagon. Others are more interested in the spectacular view of the canyons, once traveled by Comchero traders.

Virginia Taylor and her husband, Joe, once managed a guest ranch in Colorado during the summers, returning to the Caprock country each winter to help Virginia's father, who owned the Circle Dot. One year, Virginia's uncle said to them, "You don't need to go back to Colorado. You need to stay here and help your daddy." So the Taylors stayed.

Only a week later, Virginia's father died in a ranching accident. "and we've been here managing the ranch ever since," she said.

That was in 1989. In the ensuing years, the Taylors have turned the Circle Dot into a popular scenic spot.

The Circle Dot has a spectacular view, rugged and rolling. "You can just see forever," Virginia said.

The Taylors have capitalized on the scenery, placing picnic tables and bales of hay on a portion of land surrounded almost entirely by the canyons. They bring their guests to this sage and mesquite-dotted who once lived at the ranch, which has belonged to her family since 1910.

Cookouts are held from May through October. They serve the expected fare: beef, beans, and of course, the sourdough biscuits, which Joe makes.

When they aren't entertaining, the Taylors spend much of their time tending to the ranch. Keeping in mind that many visitors to this part of Texas are fascinated by cattlemen, the Taylors sometimes incorporate everyday duties with their tourism endeavors.

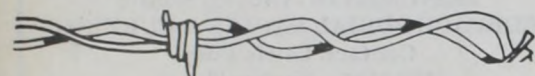
The Circle Dot brand belonged to Virginia's father. Her grandfather, who arrived in 1910, bought land off the Caprock. Her grandfather's young bride was a little overwhelmed when he brought her here, Virginia said. "It was February and they had no house. They took the wheels off the wagon and lived in it with their baby."

Her father inherited the ranch after he and his brothers drew lots to see who would get each brand.

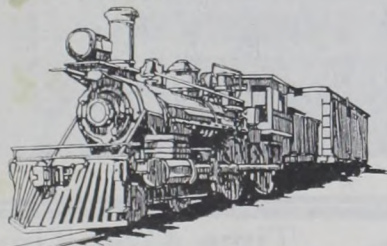
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Ronald Clay drives a vintage car in the 1994 parade; he is followed by Truman Merrell on a bicycle.



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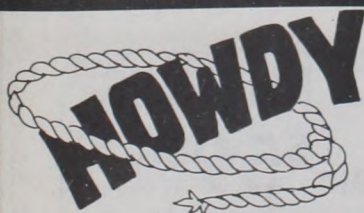


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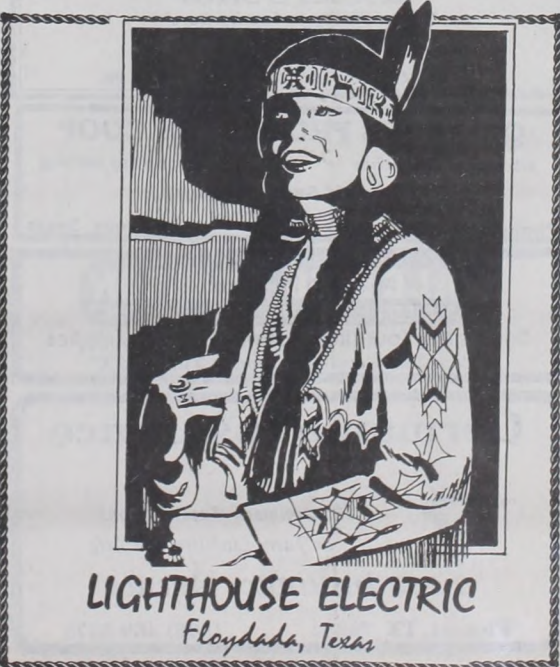


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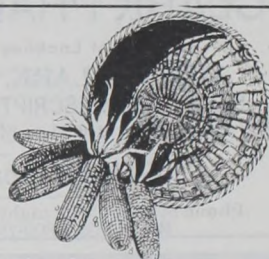
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Turkey Residents Warned Of Nitrate In Water-Advised To Protect Infants

The Texas Natural Resource Commission has tested Turkey water samples, and found that Nitrate/Nitrite is 13.40 mg. This is a high enough level to cause concern among parents of very young infants.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) sets drinking water standards and has determined that nitrate poses an acute health concern at certain levels of exposure. Nitrate is used in fertilizer and is found in sewage and wastes from human and/or farm animals and generally get into drinking water from those activities. Excessive levels of nitrate in drinking water have caused serious illness and sometimes death in infants under six months of age. The serious illness in infants is caused because nitrate is converted to Nitrite in the body. Nitrite interferes with the oxygen carrying capacity of the child's blood. This is an acute disease in that symptoms can develop rapidly in infants. In most cases, health deteriorates over a period of days.

Symptoms include shortness breath and blueness of the skin. Clearly expert medical advice should be sought immediately if these symptoms occur.

Letters have been sent out to notify Turkey residents of the results of the nitrate test, to encourage parents and other responsible parties to provide infants with an alternate source of drinking water. Local and State health authorities are the best source for information concerning alternate sources of drinking water for infants.

TNRCC has set the drinking water standard at 10 parts per million (ppm) for nitrate to protect against the risk of these adverse effects. It has also set a drinking water standard for nitrite at 1 ppm. To allow for the fact that the toxicity of nitrate and nitrite are additive, TNRCC has also established a standard for the sum of nitrate and nitrite at 10 ppm. Drinking water that meets the TNRCC standard is associated with little to none of this risk and is considered safe with respect to nitrate.

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ON THE QT

Morgan Payne was chosen for the honor of being Bat Boy for the Amarillo Dillas Baseball Team on Saturday night, May 27, 1995. His father, Gene; brother, Cody; and grandmother, Ernestine Payne accompanied him to Amarillo for the game Saturday.

Recently Opal Hamilton was visited by her new great grandson, Brent Huddle who is now three months old. He was accompanied to Quitaque by his grandfather, Roland Hamilton of Borger and his mother Susan Huddle of Dallas, Texas. Beau Huddle, the baby's father was unable to come for this visit.

Lennie Buckalew is now in Amarillo at IHS. She will probably be there for a couple of more weeks. Her address is IHS, 5601 Plum Creek Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79159. She would love to hear from her friends and neighbors here in Quitaque.

Roy Shepperd visited with Sid and Eunice McFall on Sunday afternoon.

Sid and Eunice McFall drove to Matador Friday night to attend the Eighth Grade Graduation for their granddaughter, Nesa McFall who was valedictorian of her class. Joining them there were her parents, Bruce and Ann McFall; her sister, Becky; grandfather, Bud Barton of Floydada and great grandfather, Roy Shepperd of Matador.

THINGS SEEN AND HEARD

Traveling to Lubbock last Saturday were Boyd and Iona Lane to attend the third birthday party for their grandson, B. J. Lane. B. J. is the son of Perry and Cindy Lane.

Also coming to Lubbock for the celebration were Donna and William Proctor from Amarillo, Jane Meacham from Junction and the Gary Meacham family of Childress. The group reported the three year old had a great time.

Archie Williams was in Idalou last Thursday at the home of her daughter, Bridgette Johnson. Mrs. Williams attended the Eighth Grade Graduation of her grandson, Richie Johnson.

Otis Mullin was in town last week visiting with his mother, Grace Mullins and other relatives. Otis lives in Graham.

Those attending the Memorial Services last Sunday afternoon from out of town were: Jack and Jeanette Case from Matador, Donna Proctor from Amarillo, Bud and Alice Richardson of Tulia; Bonnie Nall from Hereford, Glenna Robbins from Capitan, NM, Carol Fuston from Houston and Juana Shelburne from Muleshoe.

Lowell and Sue Proctor were in Amarillo last week. Lowell attended a school pertaining to his job and Sue visited with their son, Lee Proctor.

Attending the high school graduation for the seniors at Randall High School last Friday night were Dot Arnold and Janice Wheeler. They saw their grandson and nephew, Lance Denton, receive his high school diploma.

Visiting in Virginia Degan's home over the past week-end were Tommie Lynn and Jim Lord and their son Ben from Grand Junction, Colorado. Tommie (Miller) Lord was raised in Quitaque and Silverton. The group all traveled to Lockney Sunday to visit with Totsy Bain and Jinna and Billy Turner.

Visiting in the home of Clema Johnson last Sunday were Clara Mae Bradshaw, and Annaleta and J. Royce Bradshaw all of Floydada. Also visiting with Clema were J. Roland Bradshaw and his son David from Lewisville, Texas. The guests enjoyed Sunday supper with Clema.

The ambulance was called to the home of Juanita Owens' home last Sunday afternoon. The ambulance crew transported Mrs. Owens to the hospital in Tulia.

It was reported that Edna Earl Blakney fell at her home last Monday morning. She was taken to a Lubbock Hospital.

Don Guest was in town over the Memorial Week-end. He moved his mother, Vera Guest, to Arlington. The Don Guests live in Arlington.

Visiting in Turkey over the week-end were Ronald and Kay Eudy from Austin. They visited with their parents, the Burl Pierces and the Lewis Eudys. Lewis was released

from the Plainview Hospital last week and they were here to check on him. Burl and Vida Mae Pierce returned home with them after visiting in Austin for several days.

Received a letter from Barbara Eudy of Austin recently. She stated her husband, Jay, had had surgery on his arm and lots of therapy for many weeks but is back sawing and working in his shop full time. He still has a few problems with the use of his hand but are thankful he didn't lose it when it was cut by a circular saw he was using.

Louis and Oleta Randell were in

Amarillo Saturday to attend the graduation from Amarillo High School of their granddaughter, Courtney Blythe.

John and Maebelle Francis of Silverton visited with Louis and Oleta Randell Friday.

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