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**Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - January 13, 2019**

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## Kingsbury Texas

*News & Information Newsletter*



*Dear Kingsbury,*

*Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!*

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### Public Hearings

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There have been literally dozens of property owners in our area that have requested to be part of the Kingsbury city limits! And now the work has started to have 31 of these properties become part of the City of Kingsbury.

Part of the legal process in making that **happen** is to have two public hearings where the people can voice their comments, ask questions, and be a big part of the process.

The first of these public hearings will be Saturday, January 19th at three locations in the vicinity of the properties:

Part 1 - 11:00 am at [190 Pershing Ln.](#) at the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome

Part 2 - 11:30 am at 668 Railway Street at the tree

Part 3 - 12:00 pm at [1400 Prairie Lea Road](#) at Brown Road

The second public hearing will be Monday, January 21st 6:30 pm at the Kingsbury VFD fire station.

The members of the Kingsbury City Commission welcome and encourage the public to attend!

More information can be found on the Kingsbury website on the [Public & Legal Notices page](#).

# PUBLIC MEETING.

## Volunteer Work Days at Pioneer Flight Museum

The Old Kingsbury Aerodrome and the Pioneer Flight Museum are on Pershing Lane just off of FM 1104 in Kingsbury. They usually have one or two days a month where they invite **volunteers** to come and help with the buildings, grounds, planes, vehicles, and other equipment.

The next Volunteer Work Day will be  
Saturday, January 19th

There's always projects that should pique a variety of interests: the WWI Dodd Field Hangar and Car Barn, are still "works in progress", plus there are always aircraft and Model T's that need TLC. Please consider joining and helping out!



## There's A Day For Everything

In case you didn't already know ... there's something every day to **celebrate!**

Here are some of the fun, unusual, or forgotten holidays this week:

January 13 - Korean American Day, National Sticker Day, National Rubber Ducky Day, National Peach Melba Day, Stephen Foster Memorial Day, National Sunday Supper Day

January 14 - National Hot Pastrami Sandwich Day, National Dress Up Your Pet Day, Ratification Day, National Clean Off Your Desk Day

January 15 - National Booch Day, National Hat Day, National Strawberry Ice Cream Day

January 16 - National Without a Scalpel Day, National Nothing Day, National Religious Freedom Day, National Fig Newton Day

January 17 - National Hot Buttered Rum Day, National Bootlegger's Day, Get to Know Your Customers Day

January 18 - National Winnie The Pooh Day, National Peking Duck Day, National Thesaurus Day, National Michigan Day

January 19 - World Quark Day, National Popcorn Day



## Kingsbury T-Shirts - Now Available Online!

You can now order your awesome Kingsbury T-Shirt online and have it arrive at your door! Just go to the Kingsbury website and click "SHOP" and select the items you want. Pay with a credit card or PayPal and then just wait for your new, **fabulous** Kingsbury wear to come to you!

The new Kingsbury T-Shirts have a graphic of downtown Kingsbury on Railway street and the Kingsbury logo: LIVING. SIMPLY. WELL.

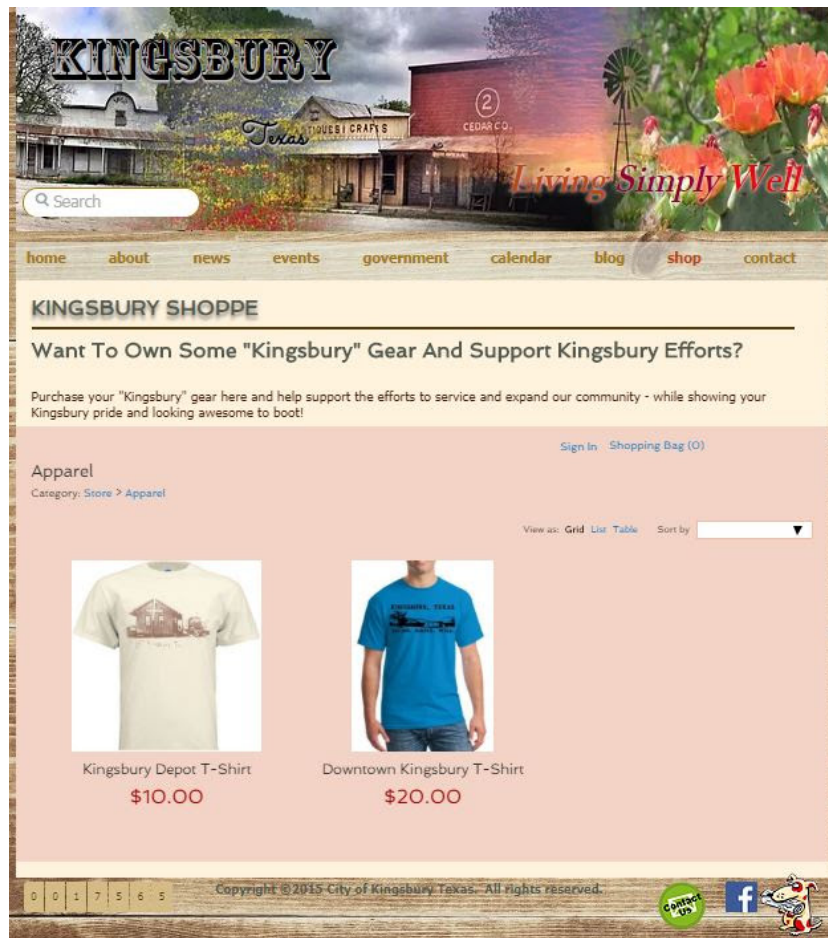
That says it all, doesn't it?!

They're \$20 and are available in blue, pink, turquoise, red, and the classic black.

The Kingsbury depot T-shirts are also available on the website in the Kingsbury Shoppe that have an image of the old Kingsbury Depot that stood next to the tracks across from the old Post Office. One of the steam locomotives that used to stop here in Kingsbury is shown idling next to the depot, waiting for the next car load of cattle or travelers to New Orleans or San Francisco. The image includes the original writing at the bottom of the picture: "Depot KiNGsbury TEX." The back of the shirt has the Kingsbury logo "LIVING. SIMPLY. WELL." and the Kingsbury website.

They're a bargain at just \$10!

Visit the Kingsbury website at [www.kingsburytexas.org](http://www.kingsburytexas.org) to get your new T-shirt sent to you today!



## Kingsbury News Past

All the **news** that's fit to print about what *was* happening in Kingsbury . . .

The August 3, 1902 edition of the *Austin American-Statesman* had an extensive "Texas Cotton Crop" report for the "Cotton Belt." Due to too much rain, lack of rain, worms, weevils, "shedding", etc. most of it was not very good! The Kingsbury report was submitted by Mr. J.A. Lynch and the crop here was the "worst ever known." The entire page on the cotton crop was pretty much the same as this snippet - 1902 was not the year for the cotton crop.



## THE TEXAS COTTON CROP

### And the Weather Conditions Prevailing Along the Cotton Belt.

San Diego, Tex., (Duval, 644)—Crop condition Duval and Nueces counties bad. H. E. Parkman.

Stephenville, Tex., (Erath, 27,880)—Heaviest rainfall since 1882; valley crops entirely ruined. First National Bank.

Pearsall, Tex., (Frio, 4939)—Cotton condition bad; no rain since May 1. Beever & Hindes.

New Braunfels, Tex., (Comal, 8468)—No rain; present prospects fifteen acres one bale. Reinarz & Knoke.

Kingsland, Tex., (Llano, 899)—Boll worms ravaging; cotton dropping badly. Prospects very unfavorable. McDaniels & Co.

Kingsbury, Tex., (Guadalupe, 24,904)—Worst ever known—20 per cent short of last year. J. A. Lynch.

Fredericksburg, Tex., (Gillespie, 7835)—Poorest prospects for cotton known; everything burned. R. S. Burier.

Fort Stockton, Tex., (Pecos, 220)—Crops good; weather favorable. Will not produce over last year. Rooney & Butts.

Dayton, Tex., (Liberty, 2218)—Excessive rains, injuring cotton. One-half crop, with favorable conditions. Charles Wilson.

Kerrville, Tex., (Kerr, 1182)—Suffering severely. Some hope for average crop. Immediate rains essential. Chas. Schreiner Co.

Kenedy, Tex. (Karnes, 12,296)—Cotton crop barely average. G. S. Coom. Iowa Park, Tex., (Wichita, —)—Crops make about half; needing rain. W. R. Ferguson.

Hallettsville, Tex., (Lavaca, 27,003)—Showers last ten days; bad condition. Weevil increasing; shedding badly. F. K. Dornak.

Gainesville, Tex., (Cooke, 20,346)—Account drouth, 18,000 bales now indicated Cook county. John King & Co.

Giddings, Tex., (Lee, 13,282)—Conditions fair but too much rain; fear of worms. Max Gans.

Goliad, Tex., (Goliad, 9204)—Condition not good; about 75 per cent last year. W. B. Campbell.

Spring Creek, Tex. (Throckmorton, 275)—Prospects for cotton favorable. corn lost; feed crop being planted. Reagan Merc. Co.

Emery, Tex., (Rains, 5399)—Crop equal to 1900, same time; too much rain. M. S. Pierson.

El Campo, Tex., (Wharton, 18,701)—Cotton shedding; too much rain will make opening late. Gus Cawelle & Bro.

Edna, Tex., (Jackson, 3465)—Weevil at work; will cut cotton 10 per cent. J. W. Allen.

Dunn, Tex., (Scurry, 2888)—Cotton 65, forage 90. I. N. Anderson.

Cooper, Tex., (Delta, 39,435)—Plant growth good; boll worm doing some damage; weather unfavorable. First National Bank.

But the big story that day was that "Tracy" was seen again and still heading for the "Hole in the Wall" country in Wyoming. This would have been outlaw Harry Tracy who was indeed once a member of Butch Cassidy's Hole in the Wall Gang. The story was so well known at the time that the article only needs to refer to him as "Tracy" and the nation knew who they were talking about. The back story is that Tracy had broken out of an Oregon state prison with another outlaw David Merrill (who was also Tracy's brother-in-law) and killed 5 guards in doing so. After crossing the Columbia, Tracy shot Merrill thinking that he had cut a deal to deliver Tracy to the law - it is probably Merrill's horse that the article mentions Tracy leading. He made it as far as Creston, Washington beyond the Snoqualmie Pass before he was pinned down by a posse in a wheat field on August 5. Shot in both legs and losing blood fast, Tracy put himself out of his misery with his Colt .45. He had been on the lam for 58 days and had killed 11 people along the way. Harry Tracy is buried in the Oregon State Penitentiary Cemetery in Salem where he doesn't seem to have made another escape.

Elsewhere, J.A. Bowen is *not* out of business and is still selling "the celebrated Pabst bottle beer", the "Texas Floods" are reeking havoc and the "situation no brighter", and the Frisco railway system has electric lights and fans to the "Northern resorts" where you can escape the flooding and just go fishin'. There was a gruesome murder of a sheep herder thought to have been done by rival cattle owners, Mr. Petmecky is in the phonograph business and he's "in it hard", and Germans must have been very predominant in Austin at the time where one is looking for a fresh "milch" cow and another is wanting to employ a German or Swedish girl for housework.

**TRACY TURNS UP AGAIN**

HE RODE LEISURELY THROUGH COULEE CITY AND HAD AN EXTRA HORSE.

**AND THE PEOPLE LET HIM ALONE**

Sheriffs With Posses After Him. Think He is Headed for the "Hole in the Wall."

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 2.—A man supposed to be Tracy rode through the main street of Coulee City last night. He led a second horse and kept away from the light. He was not interfered with and today it was reported that he had been seen five miles west of Almira at 2 o'clock in the morning, having passed east, after having a wordy altercation with some campers, whose horses he frightened. Today two sheriff's posses are in pursuit. Efforts are being made to head Tracy off from crossing the Columbia river into the Colville Indian reservation.

Coulee City and Almira are on the Northern Pacific, midway between Seattle and the Idaho state line. This would seem to confirm the report that Tracy is on his way to the "Hole in the Wall" country in Wyoming.

**NOT OUT OF BUSINESS**

As Reported

I WISH TO INFORM MY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS THAT I AM STILL DOING BUSINESS AT THE OLD STAND, NOTWITHSTANDING THE REPORT THAT IS BEING CIRCULATED THAT I HAD QUIT BUSINESS. YOU CAN AT ALL TIMES SECURE ANY BRAND OF THE CELEBRATED PABST BOTTLE BEER BY CALLING NEW PHONE NO. 777; WAREHOUSE NO. 509 EAST FIFTH STREET.

**J. A. Bowen.**

**THE TEXAS FLOODS**

THE BAY CITY DISTRICT IS STILL AT THE MERCY OF THE FLOODS.

**SITUATION NO BRIGHTER**

IN SOME OF THE FLOOD DISTRICTS—MANY PLANTATIONS ARE UNDER WATER.

**LEVEES BROKEN NEAR BRENHAM**

Loss on Cotton—Rice Land Under Water—Railroads Are Still at a Disadvantage.



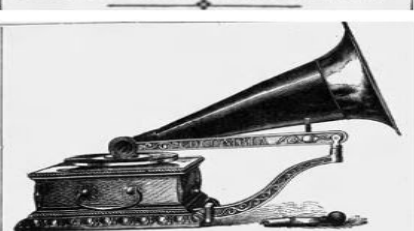
**VERY LOW RATES—NORTHERN RESORTS VIA**

**FRISCO SYSTEM**

ELECTRIC LIGHTS, ELECTRIC FANS AND CAFE OBSERVATION CARS UNDER MANAGEMENT OF FRED HARVEY

**HORRIBLE MURDER.**

Florence, Col., Aug. 2.—Samuel Raindall, a cattleman of this town, while on the prairie south of Granada, Col., found the body of a Mexican sheepherder, who had been murdered. His heart had been cut out and thrust into his mouth. The man's herd of sheep had been scattered. The crime is thought to have been due to the trouble between sheep and cattle owners.



**I'm In It**

In the phonograph business, I mean. I'm in it hard. It will not be a side issue with me, but a big branch of my entire business. Therefore I'm willing to work and work hard to get the customer. I have now on hand a good supply of

**THE COLUMBIA DISC GRAPHOPHONES**

And All the Latest Records

I want you to call, hear the machines, learn my plan of selling them, and I believe you will allow me to send one out to your home. There's no home apartment that will equal a graphophone if you are a lover of good music. You have at practically no cost all the latest hand pieces, quartets, etc., and have them as often as you care to hear them.

I judge others by myself. I believe every one would like to have one of the machines, but that every one can not afford to or does not care to lay up the full price of the machines is my payment, therefore I shall, as in my bicycle business, sell the machines on small, cash payments and small weekly installments. This will put the machines within the reach of everyone. I shall at all times be glad to have you call and hear the music.

**J. C. PETMECKY.**

Should any one feel hurt because I insist upon playing the machines in my store, he, she or it is extended a cordial invitation to call and make me stop it.

**WANTED—A young fresh milch cow, improved stock. 612 Brazos St.**

**WANTED—A German or Swedish girl for general housework. Mrs. E. Goldmann, 1104 San Antonio St.**

## Mark Your Calendars!

The Kingsbury VFD and the Pioneer Flight Museum will once again team up and have two great events during one **great** day!

On May 4th the Annual Pancake Breakfast will be held along with the Spring Wings & Wheels Fly-In. Stop by the brand new Kingsbury VFD fire station for pancakes, sausage, hash browns, bacon, and breakfast goodies then head down to the Old Kingsbury Aerodrome for the car show, fly-in, re-enactments, and tons of fun!

And since it will be on Star Wars Day ("May the fourth be with you."), the Kingsbury VFD will commemorate the fun day with a limited number of Star Wars themed pancakes! How fun is that?!

Mark your calendars now and stay tuned for more information.

Kingsbury Volunteer FD  
1066 FM 1104  
Kingsbury, TX



# Pancake Breakfast

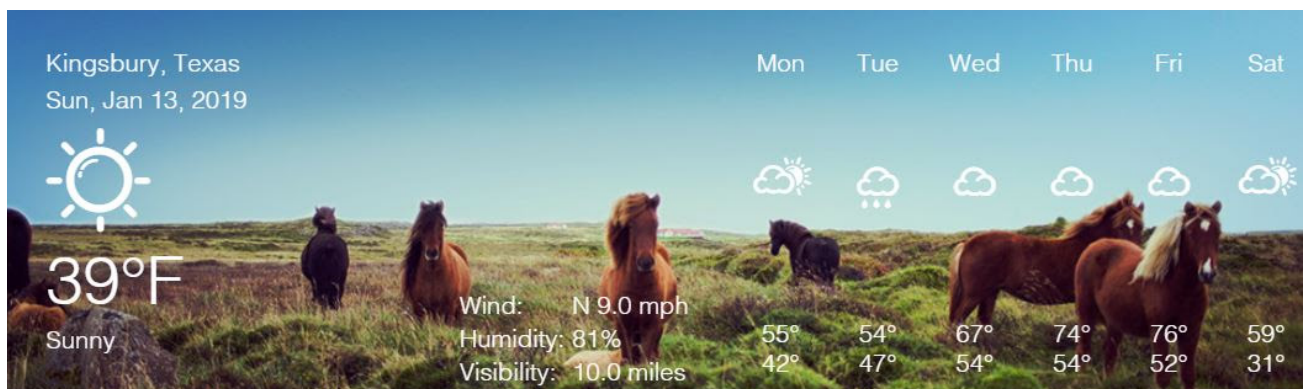
## And Spring Wings & Wheels Fly-In

Join us Saturday, May 4, for our annual Pancake Breakfast in conjunction with the Kingsbury Aerodrome Wings & Wheels Fly-In! We'll have a limited number of Star Wars themed pancakes in honor of May the 4<sup>th</sup> be with you!

May 4, 2019  
7 AM – 11 AM

### Kingsbury Weather

Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under [Calendar](#).



For current temperature, rainfall totals, wind speed, etc. just click on the bar at the bottom to go directly to the Baker Ranch weather station in Kingsbury. You can view local conditions and all the other weather stations in the TexMesonet network.



[Click here to check out the Texas Water Development Board "Baker Ranch" weather](#)



## Stopping Forced Annexation - You Can Make A Difference

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During the last legislative session, counties in Texas were designated as Tier 1 (less than 500,000 in population) and Tier 2 (greater than 500,000 in population) and the cities in a Tier 2 county can no longer force annex people's property into their city limits - the people get a chance to vote on being annexed or not. If a county is a Tier 1 (like Guadalupe), the cities in it can still forcibly annex properties, giving the annexed property owners no choice but to pay that city's property taxes and abide by their laws, and restrictions.

But there is a way to have a Tier 1 county designated as a Tier 2 and stop forced annexations. When 10% of the registered voters in the county sign a petition, the county must add a proposition to the next election that gives the citizens the chance to vote on changing the county to a Tier 2. Several counties in Texas have already had a petition drive to get the Tier 2 designation on the ballot and have voted with a **resounding** "Yes" - Parker, Wise, Johnson, Freestone, Palo Pinto, Ellis, and Atascosa. Many others, like Guadalupe, are now working to get that proposition on their next ballot.

The City of Kingsbury, by law and by conscience, only annexes when requested by the landowner. The city leaders do not believe in forced annexation and were some of the first to sign the petition to change Guadalupe county to a Tier 2.

If you would also like to join the effort and sign a petition, you can contact Kingsbury City Commissioner Frank Ignasiak at (830) 433-1668 or Mayor Shirley Nolen at (830) 491-8863 or at 323-KINGSBURY. They can drop off and pick up petition sheets anywhere in the Kingsbury area. Curbside service!

You can also check out the effort on the web at [www.stopforcedannexation-gc.com](http://www.stopforcedannexation-gc.com) and on FaceBook at [www.facebook.com/StopForcedAnnexationinGuadalupeCounty/](http://www.facebook.com/StopForcedAnnexationinGuadalupeCounty/)

The petitions have to be complete by February 8, 2019 to get on the May ballot. That's just

**26** days

from today so get involved and call now.

It's not only the American way - it's the Texan way!





## A Stack Of Kingsbury Girls

Four young Kingsbury girls in front of the school in the early 1940s. It looks like it must have been a summer or nice **spring** day!

From top to bottom: Joyce Hurt, Gloria Halm, Dorothy Chessher, and Leonora Schmidt.



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**Thanks!**

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