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Kingsbury Texas
News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,
Here's the latest on what's going on in Kingsbury!

Texas Independence Day

This week in Texas history, on March 2nd in 1836, Texas became a republic.

On March 1st, 59 delegates from the seventeen Mexican municipalities of Texas and the settlement of Pecan Point met at Washington-on-the-Brazos to consider **independence** from Mexico. George C. Childress presented a resolution calling for independence, and the chairman of the convention appointed Childress to head a committee of five to draft a declaration of independence.

In the early morning hours of March 2nd, the convention voted unanimously to accept the resolution. After fifty-eight members signed the document, Texas became the Republic of Texas.



A wonderful and delicious time was had by all at the 50/50 Farm To Table Feast held at the saloon in downtown Kingsbury Saturday evening. The saloon was hosting the "Transit" art show with artists from all over the state and the world showing their craft and guests got to talk with the artists about their works while having all sorts of brews and wines.

The chefs from Mise Co. provided the guests with awesomely **delicious** and locally harvested duck, pork, fruits and vegetables, and wonderful desserts.

Many thanks to Habitable Spaces for putting on this event!



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:

February 24 - National Tortilla Chip Day

February 25 - National Chocolate Covered Nut Day, National Clam Chowder Day

February 26 - National Pistachio Day, National Tell a Fairy Tale Day, Spay Day USA

February 27 - National Kahlua Day, National Strawberry Day, National Polar Bear Day, National Retro Day

February 28 - National Public Sleeping Day, National Chocolate Souffle Day, National Floral Design Day, National Tooth Fairy Day, National Toast Day, National Chili Day, Rare Disease Day USA

March 1 - National Dadgum That's Good Day, National Peanut Butter Lover's Day, National Fruit Compote Day, National Horse Protection Day, National Pig Day, National Minnesota Day, National Read Across America Day (Dr. Seuss Day), National Day of Unplugging, National Employee Appreciation Day, National Salesperson Day, National Dress in Blue Day, National Speech and Debate Education Day

March 2 - National Old Stuff Day, National Banana Cream Pie Day



Stopping Forced Annexation

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.

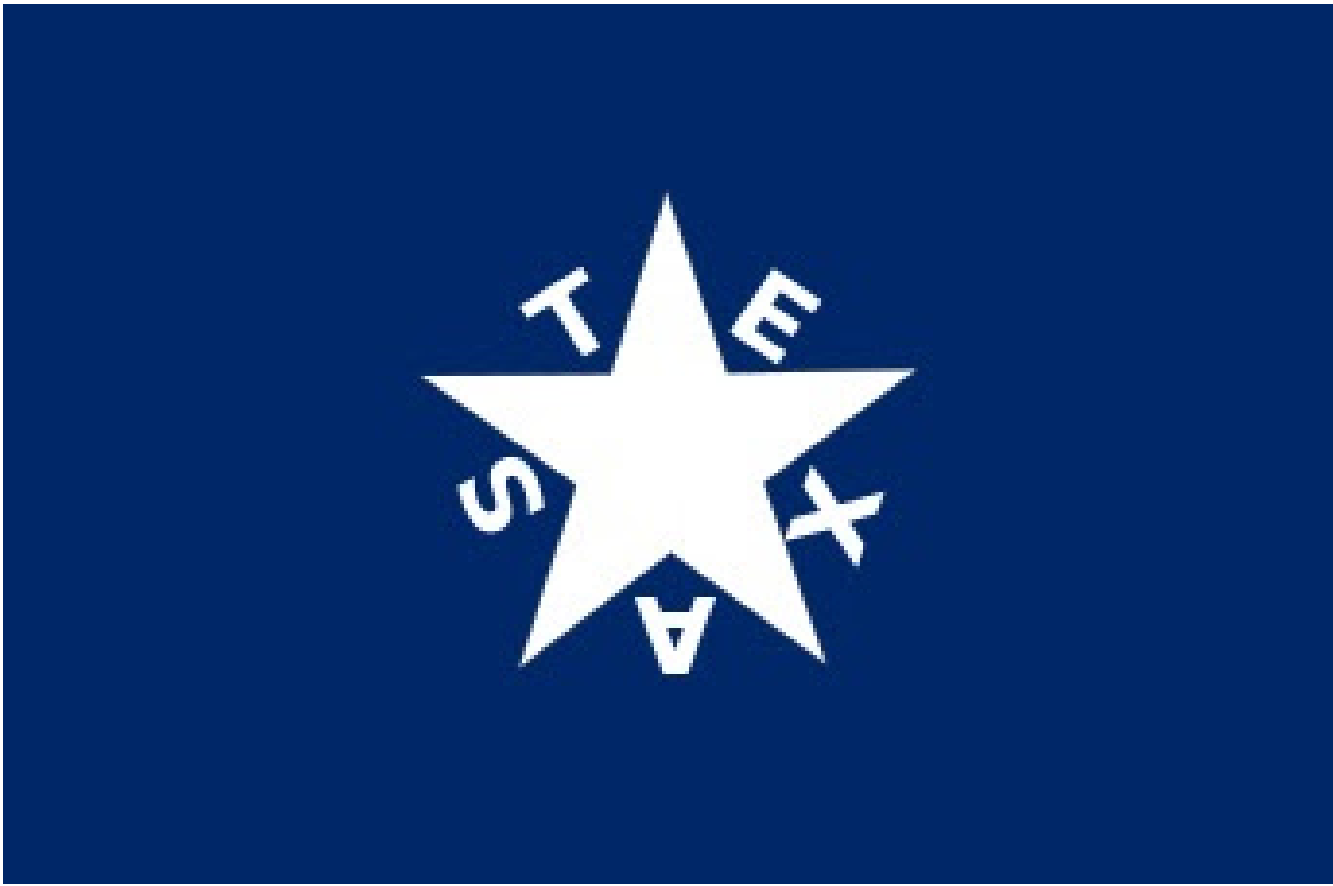
The City of Kingsbury, by law and by conscience, only annexes when requested by the landowner. The city leaders do not believe in forced annexation and were some of the first to sign the petition to change Guadalupe county to a Tier 2. If you would also like to join the effort and sign a petition, you 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 and on FaceBook at www.facebook.com/StopForcedAnnexationinGuadalupeCounty/

The deadline for delivery of the petitions has been extended to the end of February in order to get the proposition on the May ballot. That's just

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days from today
so get involved and call now!



Kingsbury News Past

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

The January, 1903 edition of the *Houston Post* mentioned Kingsury in a report about a train engine that left here and then jumped the track just west of Borden. The three "trainmen" aboard were hurt but not badly. What would make a big train engine jump the track "without apparent reason"? Too many kids putting pennies on the tracks maybe?!

THREE TRAINMEN HURT.

Light Engine Left the Track at Glidden Without Apparent Cause.

Columbus, Texas, January 5.—A light engine on the Southern Pacific returning to Glidden from Kingsbury after double-heading No. 9 that far last night, jumped the track without apparent reason at 10 o'clock this morning four miles west of Borden. The three men on the engine miraculously escaped severe injury, but the engine is seriously damaged. J. L. King, a brakeman, who lives in San Antonio, has a severe bruise in the side, from which internal complications may result; R. H. Ranahan, engineer, is bruised in one leg, and H. Storey, fireman, has a slight scalp wound. The track is blocked and traffic delayed for several hours.

In other 1903 news, some Hoonah Indians got sentenced for ultimately killing a man they thought was a witch, Liebig's has "Extract of Beef" that gives "strength for the strenuous" (I'm not sure what the heck that was!), Miss Alldredge (the Sheriff's daughter of all people) helped her lover escape from jail and now are on the lam, and ladies can get "serviceable Muslin Drawers" for "12½¢". Someone wants to possibly trade an "English female dog" for chickens, there's a lot of knifing going on in Beaumont, Mazatlan, Mexico is "plague-stricken", and buy Oxidine for "Slow fever" (not sure what that was) the "most dreaded" disease of the South.

CLAIMED HE WAS A WITCH.

Alaska Indians Sentenced for Starving a Man to Death.

Seattle, Wash., January 5.—United States Marshal Shoup has arrived from Juneau with three Hoonah (Alaska) Indians, sentenced to four years' imprisonment in the United States penitentiary at McNeil's Island for causing the death of Indian Isaac, whom they claimed to be a witch. They kept Isaac tied to a tree for five days, the exposure and hunger resulting in his death.

LIBERATED HER LOVER.

Daughter of an Alabama Sheriff Accused of Releasing Prisoners.

Birmingham, Ala., January 5.—A special to the Birmingham News from Oneonta, Ala., says that, during last night, Miss Etta Alldredge, daughter of the sheriff, liberated two prisoners, Louis Carley, charged with murder, and Mayburn Murphree, sentenced for adultery. Miss Alldredge, it is said, accompanied one of the prisoners in his flight, supposed to be Murphree, who is a handsome young man of good address. The sheriff was absent on business last night and his daughter was in charge of the jail keys. Miss Alldredge is 22 years old, and a very handsome young woman. Notice of the jail escape has been sent to all near-by officers and they are on the lookout for the escapes and the girl. The story of the jail delivery and Miss Alldredge's flight is confirmed by a deputy sheriff, who works for Sheriff Alldredge; also by the editor of the Oneonta Dispatch and the correspondent of the Birmingham News. Officers are on the lookout here.

Knife Was Used.

Beaumont, Texas, January 5.—Late this evening Ed Dobson was cut and perhaps fatally wounded at Spindle Top. The long knife blade penetrated two and a half inches in the stomach itself. At midnight the doctors are trying to dress and sew up the wound, so as to let him rest easily, and if possible bring about his recovery. The affray came up as an ordinary fight at first and before those near by realized what had happened Dobson was stabbed as above stated. The man who did it had escaped and came to the city, in the opinion of Deputy Sheriff Holder, who is stationed at the bill. Deputy Sigm Hayes has gone to the bill. The man who did the cutting is well known to the officers and they feel sure he will be captured by morning. Mr. Charles A. Hills, manager of the Hills' transfer line of this city, was cut in the throat this afternoon. The cut extended from one of the ears to the mouth, and it is reported by the attending surgeon that the wound will not prove dangerous if properly taken care of.

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WANTED TO BUY—Brown Leghorn, Silver Laced Wyandotte chickens; also to exchange one registered English female dog.

Jack Thomas, Camden, Texas.

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BUSINESS PRACTICALLY SUSPENDED

On Account of Plague—Government Trying to Exterminate Disease.

Mexico City, January 5.—But little news has been received today from the plague-stricken city of Mazatlan, but the federal government is doing everything in its power to relieve the public distress there and exterminate the disease. There is practically no business doing in Mazatlan, owing to no ships entering the port, which has no railroad communication with the rest of the country.

Slow fever is the most dreaded of all diseases of the South. OXIDINE prevents and cures.

Also in 1903, the "San Antonio Truck Farm" will be growing tomatoes by "truck farming" (I think that meant it was the first to use vehicles powered by engines instead of horses and mules), Mr. Hpoo from "British Burma" is "on exhibit" in Houston, here's a menu if you want to skip having meat for breakfast like the Scotch, and tribal officers in New Mexico are in trouble for "coercing the Indians into participating in the annual heathen dance of the pueblo".

New Industry for Bexar County.

San Antonio, Texas, January 4.—The San Jose Truck Farm company, an organization of local people, has secured by purchase sixty-five acres of land near the San Jose mission, which is to be irrigated with water from the San Antonio river, and will develop every acre in truck farming, twenty acres to be planted in tomatoes. An experienced tomato grower from Crystal Springs, Miss., has been secured to superintend the farm.

Burmese Midget.

The Post had a very interesting caller yesterday in the person of Mr. Swann Sing Hpoo of Merqui, East India, British Burma, accompanied by Mr. Harry Bradner Sutton, his American manager.

Mr. Hpoo is the famous midget now on exhibition in the city. He is 20 years old and weighs exactly sixteen pounds. There are many dolls in Houston considerably larger.

He was dressed yesterday in regulation swell attire, Prince Albert coat, silk hat, etc., carrying a gold-headed cane not much longer than a lead pencil, and looked every inch a gentleman. He speaks English quite well, is pleasant-faced and quite agreeable.

Swann and his sister, who died in Beaumont a few days ago, were the only midgets in a family of normal stature. They were adopted by a German citizen, resident in Burma, some years ago, and have since been exhibited throughout Europe and America.

CHANGE BREAKFAST.

Habit of Healthy Europeans.

The sturdy Scotch, Germans, French and Italians seldom or never eat meat for breakfast.

Long experience has taught that the breakfast should be simple and not include meat.

Many Americans suffer with weak stomachs and more or less illness because they fail to understand the simple and healthful plan of a breakfast somewhat like the following:

A little fruit.

A dish of Grape-Nuts and cream.

One or two soft eggs.

A cup of Postum Food Coffee and perhaps a piece of hard toast.

A man says: "I couldn't go on that until noon."

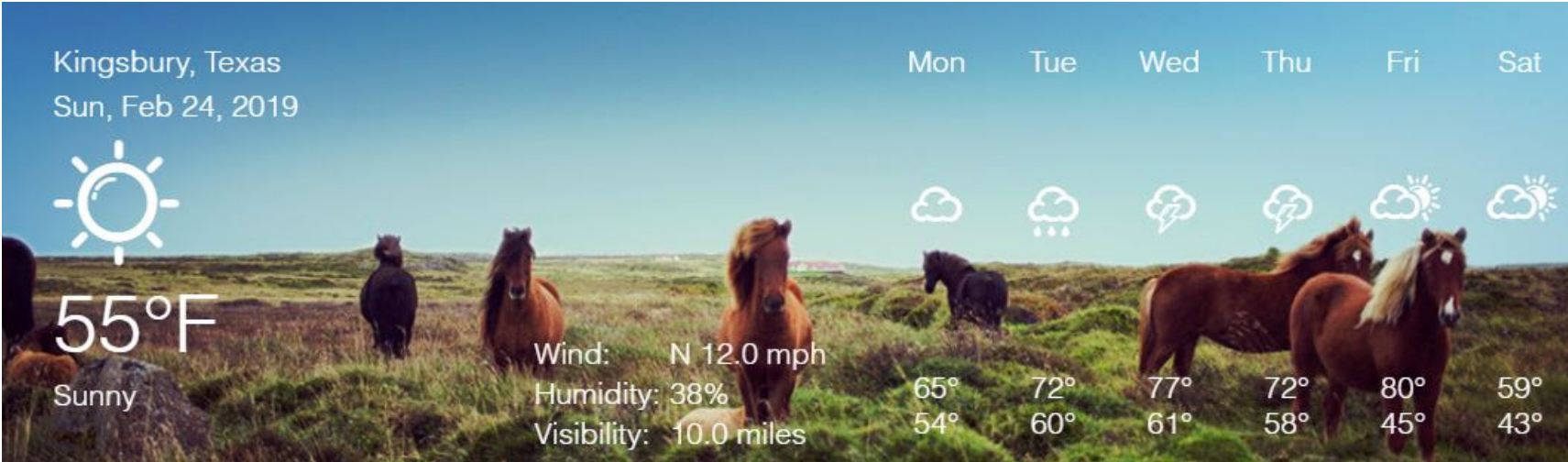
One or two days' trial will teach him a big volume of facts and make him feel "fit as a lord." There is a deep underlying and scientific reason. The best argument, however, is the actual experience with such breakfasts.

Must Show Cause.

Santa Fe, N. M., January 8.—Superintendent J. C. Crandall of the United States Indian school of this city today summoned the governor and other officers of the Cochil Indian pueblo to answer the charge of coercing the Indians into participating in the annual heathen dance of the pueblo and threatening dire punishment to those who did not take part. They will be requested to show cause why they should not be punished for making such threats.

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](#)

Here Comes March

This week will see the first days of March. For some of us it's an **unsettling** month: no longer winter, not quite spring, even though the official First Day of Spring usually falls around March 20th with the vernal equinox. As we march into March, entertain your brain with some fun facts about our third month.

First of all, March was not always the third month. For the ancient Romans, it was the first month of the year and was named after Mars, the god of war. This could go a long way toward explaining some of the fierce weather that can occur in this month and the familiar saying that "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." It might also explain why one of the traditional birthstones for March is the bloodstone, marked by red flecks against its green surface and sometimes referred to as the martyr's stone. It symbolizes courage and endurance. But the alternate birthstone is the more tranquil aquamarine with its distinctive seawater blue coloration. It is said to confer safety during sea voyages.

The official March flower is the daffodil or jonquil. It's one of the first flowers to bloom as spring draws near, making it the flower of rebirth, along with other meanings such as friendship and respect. Its traditional sunny yellow color makes it the perfect cheerful flower for celebrating the end of winter.

- March Weather Lore:
- o When March has April weather, April will have March weather.
 - o Thunder in March betokens a fruitful year.
 - o Dust in March brings grass and foliage.
 - o A March Sun sticks like a lock of wool.



Kingsbury School Graduates

A great picture of some **graduates** of the Kingsbury High School, Class of 1937.
Left to right are: Viola Kluth, Irma Donsbach, Cora Glenewinkel, and Jane Imhoff.



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