

# Kingsbury News & Information Newsletter - January 12, 2020 - Correction 1 message

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# **Kingsbury Texas**

**News & Information Newsletter** 



### Dear Kingsbury,

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

# This edition has the corrected time for the Kingsbury Barter Club meeting this Saturday.

### **Primary Election**

The elections for the Primary races will be held March 3, 2020.

Here are some upcoming important dates to remember for those elections:



Monday, February 3 - Last day to register to vote

Tuesday, February 18 - First day of early voting

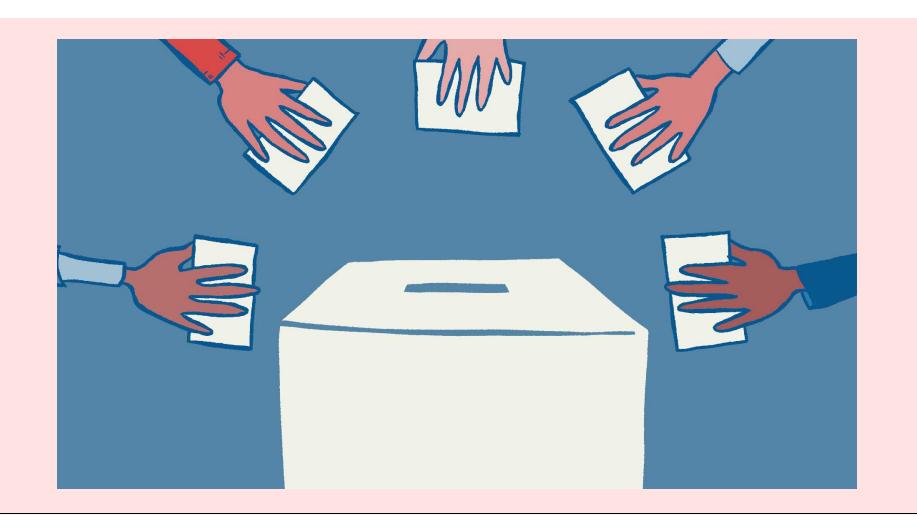
Friday, February 21 - Last day to apply for ballot by mail (received, not postmarked)

Friday, February 28 - Last day of early voting

Tuesday, March 3 - Last day to receive ballot by mail, Election Day



The latest information (including how to become a poll worker) can be found on the Guadalupe County Elections website.



# 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 12** - National Kiss A Ginger Day, National Curried Chicken Day, National Marzipan Day, National Pharmacist Day, National Sunday Supper Day

January 13 - National Rubber Ducky Day, Korean American Day, National Peach Melba Day, Stephen Foster Memorial Day, National Clean Off Your Desk Day, National Sticker Day

**January 14** - National Dress Up Your Pet Day, National Hot Pastrami Sandwich Day, Ratification Day, National Shop For Travel Day

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

January 16 - National Fig Newton Day, National Religious Freedom Day, National Without A Scalpel Day, Get To Know Your Customers Day, National Nothing Day

January 17 - National Bootlegger's Day, National Hot Buttered Rum Day

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

National Use Your Gift Card Day, National Michigan Day



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.

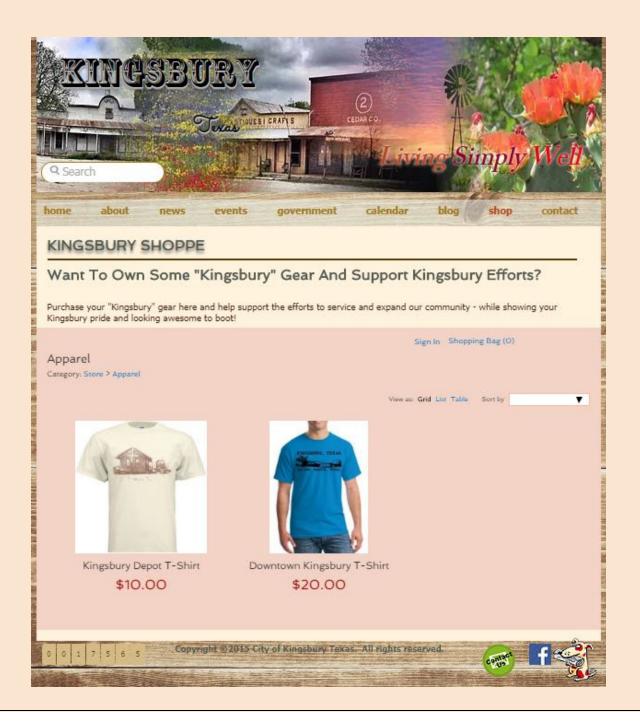
That says it all, doesn't it?!

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 <a href="https://www.kingsburytexas.org">www.kingsburytexas.org</a> to get your new T-shirt sent to you today!



### **Kingsbury Barter Club**

A group of people here in Kingsbury are looking into setting up a barter club where the people here can share some of the things that we make, grow, and do. The next meeting will be

Saturday, January 18th at Noon at the old Fat Chance at 668 Railway in downtown Kingsbury

Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend and share their **ideas**, interests, and/or experience - or if you just want to find out more about the barter concept!



# **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 18th

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!



# **Kingsbury News Past**

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

The October 13, 1875 edition of the San Antonio Daily Express had a listing of the people staying at different hotels - usually the Central and the Menger. Apparently, out-of-towners were newsworthy items for the paper back then. Mr. Harrison, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Pitts all traveled from Kingsbury and were staying at the Central Hotel. Mr. Chapman from Pleasanton was apparently traveling with "a lady".



# CENTRAL. S. Cayce, Genzales; W. R. McCulloth, Medina; E. Wilson, J. A Hartman, Kansna; W L Harrison and family, Pleasanton; W Bennett, Miss Charlotte Bennett, Miss Josephene Bennett, Frie; Jas Polly, Sommerset; G. W. Harper, J. H. King, Hondo; W W Thomas, Liscendera; J S Gunner and brother, Tom Miller, J E Wilson, W B Holland, Wilson County; J E Hewett, Mansfield, La.; C D Finley, Uvalde; C W Maxwell, Bexar; G W Chapman and lady, Pleasanton; W H Harrison, Willis Adams, Jas Pitts, Kingsbury; Jue D Landford, N Underwood, Fort Clark.

In other 1875 news, there was a story about a man who learned to dive underwater in order to retrieve the bodies of his mother and two sisters from the wreck of the *SS Schiller*. The *Schiller* did indeed wreck off the southwest coast of England on May 7, 1875 after colliding with another ship. It has been called the Victorian Age Titanic due to the high number of casualties - 335 passengers and crew were killed in the disaster. The rest of the article is somewhat suspect to me but it makes a thrilling story about Mr. Hauser going down and finding the

head of one of his sisters "firmly held in the clutches of a gigantic cuttle-fish"! The end of the article was damaged but it's easy enough to tell that Mr. Hauser was so distraught at what he had seen that his health immediately declined "till death".

### A Submarine Mouster.

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TER FOUND IN THE CLUTCHES OF CUTTLE FIRM.

The story is a brief one. Mr. Franz Hauser, whose body was burried at Penzance, near Land's End, was a native of Luxembourg. His mother and two sisters were on the Schiller, intending a visit to their old home, while he remained in Iowa. Upon the news of the wreck of the vessel became so deeply affected that he fell into a raging tever. When he became convalescent he made inquirice whether the bedies of his relatives had been found. He obtained no satisfactory information in the States, and at last resolved to make a personal effort on the spot. He came across the ocean, and at once went to Penzance, where at last he gained the certainty that neither of the three corpses had been recovered. Thereupon he employed two experienced divers, purchased a complete diving armor, and submitted to a course of training under the instructions of the two men he had employed. As soon as he was able to move about under the water and accustomed to the heavy suit, he



DETERMINED TO DESCEND INTO

where the Schiller had gone down and search for his mother and Several descents were sisters. without success; though the remains of the vessel were seen, yet no body could be observed. But one day as the three men silently moving about among some tharp-pointed crags and reefs, and being a considerable distance away from the wreck itself, Franz Hauser was startled by the sight of what appeared as the head of a female form. It seemed to hang from a reef some ten feet high. He directed the attention of the others by pointing towards it. Slowly the three stepped forward in the direc-tion of the reef. Nearing the spot, a pitiful and heart-rending scene presented itself. What was supposed to be a female head was such in reality, yet little of the body to which it belonged could be seen. The corpse was firmly held in the clutches of

A GIGANTIC CUTTLE-PISH, which, with its enormous arms and extended suckers, clung to it and to the sides of the rock like a wild beast feasting on its prey. The sight, say the two surviving divers, was shooking, yet awe inspiring. They describe the cuttle fish as having a circular central body not less than four feet in diameter, of a greenish black hue with alternating bright and dark spots and a slimy surface. It was rounded like a dome, and it seemed as if a portion of the human body, had been absorbed ito it by the tremendous power of suction this monster is believed to posess. Its arms--the divers counted eight--were apparently of immense strength, being over twelve feet long, and judged not to be less than a foot in diameter where they joined the body. Some of these arms

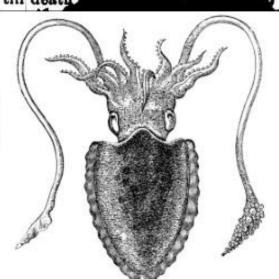
# CLUNG TO THE UNFORTUNATE VICTIM.

others held fast to the protuberance of the rocks, and several were swinging through the water like trunk of an elephant, but twice its size.

Such was the view of the three divers had as they approached this reef, and Franz Hauser made a sudden spring forward toward it; but he was held back. His associates know that by going any nearer they would expose themselves to attack from the monster, for which they were unprepared. They gave the signal to the boat, and all three were immediately hoisted up. Having the covering removed from his head, Franz Hauser declared that he had recognized in the temale tace one of his sisters, and he was determined to descend again to rescue her body from being

DEVOURED BY THE SUBMARINE MONSTER.

His wish was not gratified however, he being too nervous and his strength to much exhausted, and it was agreed to make an attempt the next day or the day after. But, in the morning, young Hauser was delirious, and he lightered on in a paroxysmal control of the control of th



In other 1875 land-based news, "disease and Cuban bullets" have temporarily stopped Spain's fight against independence in Cuba, the "Iron-Clad Building" has an entire train "car load" of onions, apples, and oranges (hopefully the fruit didn't get onion smell in that car!), and New Braunfels Cassimeres are taking over the Texas market. "Cassimeres" is an obsolete spelling of "cashmere" so someone had quite the herd of cashmere goats!

Also, Mr. McCarty was robbed in Indianapolis by some men that followed him all the way from West Virginia, Hugo and Schmeltzer have a lot of flour and "Urhig's St. Louis Beer" on hand, and there a "tariff" of barber shops so now all "shaving" in S.A. is "25 cts.".

And in New York poor Mr. Helmbold was returned to the asylum and cigars are being seized because they have been "branded with other than the branding iron". Was that a thing to use a branding iron on cigars? In Texas, Houston is having a problem with "worthless men and tramps", there was an Indian attack in Runnels county, a boy held off a burglar with a machete, some advice from Oakville to "Shtop a leetle" because "life is but a fleeting shadow", and a prisoner burnt down the Terrell jail and now has "the additional charge of arson".

### Cuba.

There is a significant lull in the Spanish military operations against the Cuban
insurgents. Once more the Havana autherities find themselves compelled to
stop the work of slaughter from their inability to persevere. Disease and Cuban
bullets have swept away the last reinforcements, and so the military operations
are of necessity brought to a close, until
such time as more food for powder can be
shipped from Spain.

A CAR LOAD OF
POTATOES, ONIONS AND APPLES,
Just arrived and for sale at
THE [IRON-CLAD BUILDING,
13ccd1t] Market Street.

The New Braunfels Cassimeres are virtually forcing themselves upon the general Texas market. We hear of large invoices of these excellent manufactures being constantly received in nearly all the Texas cities.

### ROBBED.

Indianapolis. Oct. 13.—Joseph McCarty, of West Virginia, was robbed of \$1,700 last night while standing on the platform of the Indianspolis, Bloomington, and Western Railroad as the train was leaving the depot, by three men, who jumped on the train. Mr. McCarty thinks the men followed him from West Virginia.

# JUST ARRIVED.

 2 Car Loads of the Celebrated Urhig's St. Louis Beer.
 1 Car Load Choice Brands of Flour in Bbls.

I Car Load Choice Flour in sacks.
For Sale cheap by
HUGO & SCHMELTZER.

## TARIFF OF PRICES

OF THE

### Barbers of San Antonio!

Shaving 25 ets. Hair Cutting 50 ets. Shampooing 50 ets.

This schedule of prices to take effect on and after Wednesday October 13th, 1875. Every shop will close its doors and cease work at 12 M. each Sunday.

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NEW YORK ITEMS.

New York, Oct. 12.—Dr. Helmbold, who escaped from Bloomingdale asylum, was arrested and sent back.

Complaints come from various parts of the State of the seizure of eigars having been branded with other than the brand ing iron.

# Texas Items

Worthless men and trains are committing petty larcenies in Houston.

The Indians raided into Runnels county the other day, and killed a man named Brown and wounded two others.

A boy nine years of age attacked a burglar, with a hatchet, in the town of Dallas, a few days ago, and ran him off the premisis.

The Oakville Tribune comes to us dated "Oct. 28, 1875." "Shtop a leatle," don't go so fast our friend—at best, life is but a fleeting shadow.

An enraged prisoner burnt down the Terrell Jail last week. Efforts to escape prompted him to the act. He escaped—the flames—but was again committed the prison with the additional charge of arson.

## **Kingsbury Weather**

Kingsbury weather for this week. You can always get the latest **weather** in Kingsbury on the Kingsbury website under <u>Calendar</u>.



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

### **WWI Servicemen From Kingsbury**

While not large in numbers of population, Kingsbury's citizenry has always stepped up to help the local community, state needs, and for the defense of our country.

Pictured below are **WWI** Kingsbury service men in 1917 (L to R): Albert Coates, Earl Coates, Charlie Littlejohn, Otto Hagemen, Alex Jones, and John Coates. They are standing on Railway Street with "the tree in the street" to their right and the Kingsbury National Bank behind them across Kingsbury Street.



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