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Kingsbury Texas

News & Information Newsletter



Dear Kingsbury,

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

Spring Forward

Today, Sunday, March 10th, marks the start of Daylight Saving Time when, by the time you are reading this, you should have moved your clocks one hour.

Some interesting **tidbits** about Daylight Saving Time:



There is no "s": There is no "s" at the end of Saving though you will certainly hear people refer to it as "savings." It has been suggested that the misuse of the term may evolve from the common usage of the term "savings" in daily vernacular.



The day is not actually longer. You will often hear statements like "the day will be an hour longer tomorrow." The duration of a day is roughly 24 hours. The 24-hour solar day is how long it takes for a location on the earth to rotate under the sun from one point to the exact point. The length of the day is the same, however, the number of actual "daylight hours" is adjusted. No daylight is actually saved in a physical sense.



Less than 40% of the countries in the world use DST. Some countries use it to make better use of the natural daylight in the evenings. The difference in light is most noticeable in the areas at a certain distance from Earth's equator.



In the United States, Arizona and Hawaii do not use DST. The Uniform Time Act of 1966 originally mandated the use of DST but the Energy Policy Act of 2005 allows states and territories to decide on implementation. Arizona cites a consistently hot, arid climate as its rationale for opting out though the Navajo Nation in Arizona does adhere to DST. Hawaii argues that their proximity to the equator limits the variability in sunrises and sunsets.



Texas Elects A Government

This week in Texas history in 1836, the new Republic of Texas elects a government.

The Convention of 1836 was the meeting of elected delegates in Washington-on-the-Brazos, Texas in March 1836. The Texas Revolution had begun five months previously, and the interim government, known as the Consultation, had wavered over whether to declare independence from Mexico or pledge to uphold the repudiated Mexican Constitution of 1824. Unlike those of previous Texas councils, delegates to the Convention of 1836 were younger, more recent arrivals to Texas, and more **adamant** on the question of independence. As delegates prepared to convene, Mexican President Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna led a large army into Texas to quell the revolt; the vanguard of this army arrived at San Antonio de Bexar on February 23.

The Convention was called to order on March 1, and the following day adopted the Texas Declaration of Independence, written by George Childress. On the morning of March 6, the Convention received a letter, dated March 3, from Alamo commander William B. Travis. Travis begged for supplies and reinforcements and

described the danger he and his men found themselves in. Unaware that the fort had already fallen, delegate Robert Potter called for the Convention to adjourn and march immediately to relieve the Alamo. Sam Houston persuaded the delegates to remain in Washington-on-the-Brazos to finish working on the constitution. Houston then left to take command of the volunteers that Colonel James C. Neill and Major R.M. "Three-Legged Willie" Williamson had been gathering in Gonzales. Shortly after Houston's arrival in Gonzales, Alamo survivors Susanna Dickinson and Joe, Travis's slave, arrived with news of a Mexican victory. On hearing their news, Houston advised all civilians in the area to evacuate and ordered the army to retreat. This sparked a mass exodus of Texans from the Anglo settlements.

After finishing their constitution, the delegates organized an ad-interim government which would serve until the following October. As president they chose David G. Burnet, who had not been elected to the Convention. Burnet had planned to join the fighting at the Alamo and had stopped at the Convention to recruit others. However, he became so "inspired by their deliberations" that he remained as a visitor. Speaking privately with many of the delegates, Burnet professed that he would be willing to serve as president of a new republic, even if that made him a target of Santa Anna. Among the names most commonly circulated for the presidency were empresario Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston, and William H. Wharton. All were absent from the convention, however, so the nominees became Burnet and Samuel Price Carson. Burnet won, on a vote of 29–23, in the early hours of March 17. The delegates chose Lorenzo de Zavala as vice-president, Samuel P. Carson as Secretary of State, and Thomas J. Rusk as Secretary of War. Bailey Hardeman became Secretary of the Treasury, and David Thomas was elected Attorney General.

One of Burnet's first acts as president was to transfer the capital of the new state from Washington-on-the-Brazos to Harrisburg, which was located nearer the small Texas Navy at Galveston Island. Harrisburg was also closer to the border with the United States and would allow easier communication with U.S. officials. The move took on a sense of urgency when the convention received word that Santa Anna was within 60 miles of Washington-on-the-Brazos. Burnet quickly adjourned the proceedings and the government fled. Burnet personally carried the Texas Declaration of Independence in his saddlebags.

Meanwhile, Santa Anna continues to march towards Coletto Creek and Goliad where Fannin's troops are in "Fort Defiance" . . .



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:

March 10th - National I Am Day, Daylight Saving Time National Pack Your Lunch Day National Blueberry Popover Day National Mario Day

March 11th - National 311 Day, National Funeral Director and Mortician Recognition Day National Promposal Day, National Oatmeal Nut Waffles Day, National Worship Of Tools Day National Johnny Appleseed Day

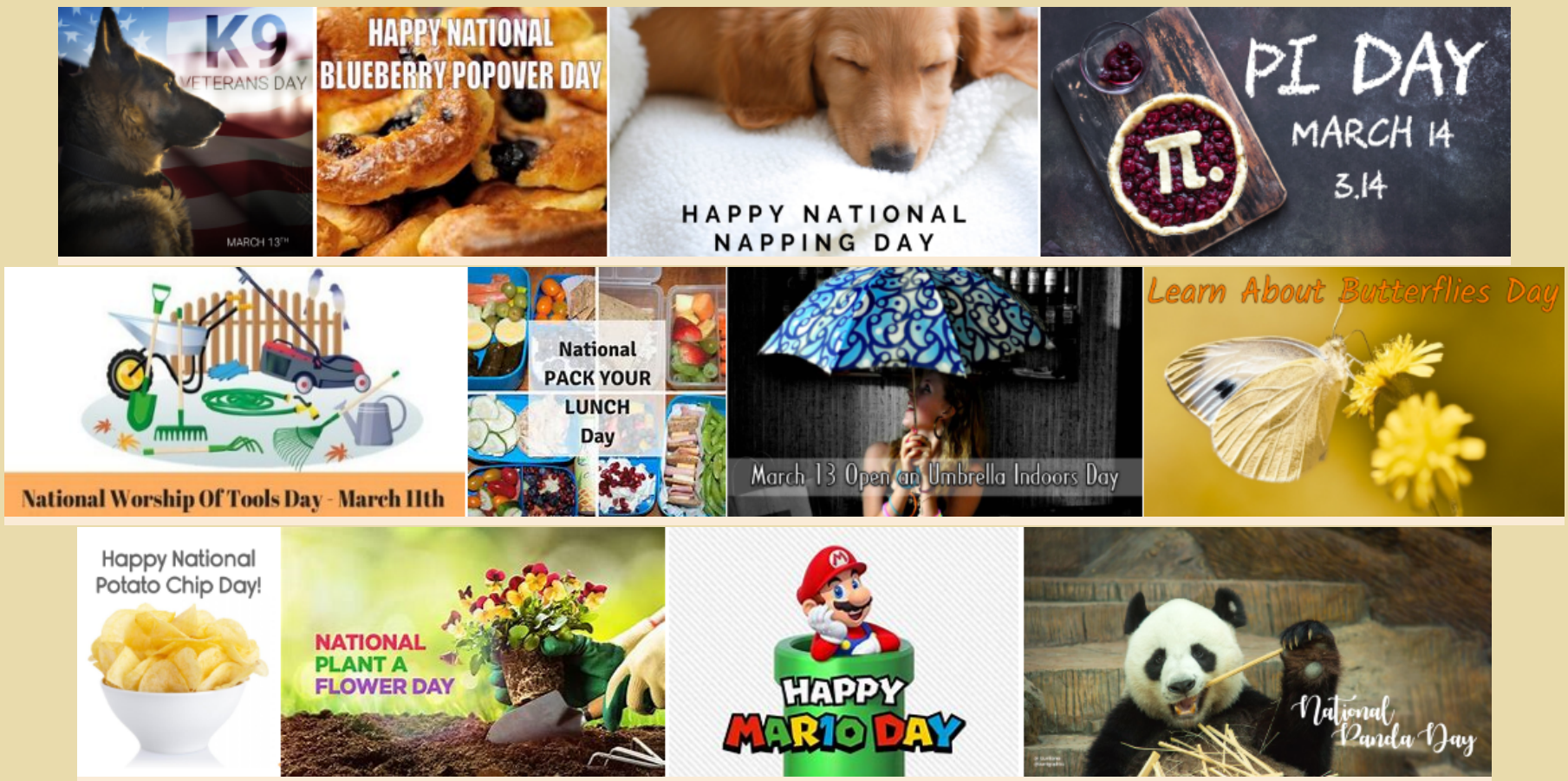
March 12th - National Napping Day, National Working Moms Day, National Baked Scallops Day, National Plant A Flower Day National Girl Scout Day

March 13th - National Jewel Day, National K9 Veterans Day, National Coconut Torte Day, National Good Samaritan Day, National Open An Umbrella Indoors Day, National Earmuff Day

March 14th - National Write Down Your Own Story Day, National Equal Pay Day, National Children's Craft Day, National Learn About Butterflies Day, National Pi Day, National Potato Chip Day

March 15th - National Everything You Think Is Wrong Day, National Pears Helene Day, National Shoe The World Day

March 16th - National Curl Crush Day, National Panda Day, National Corn Dog Day, National Artichoke Hearts Day, Everything You Do Is Right Day, National Freedom of Information Day, National Quilting Day



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.

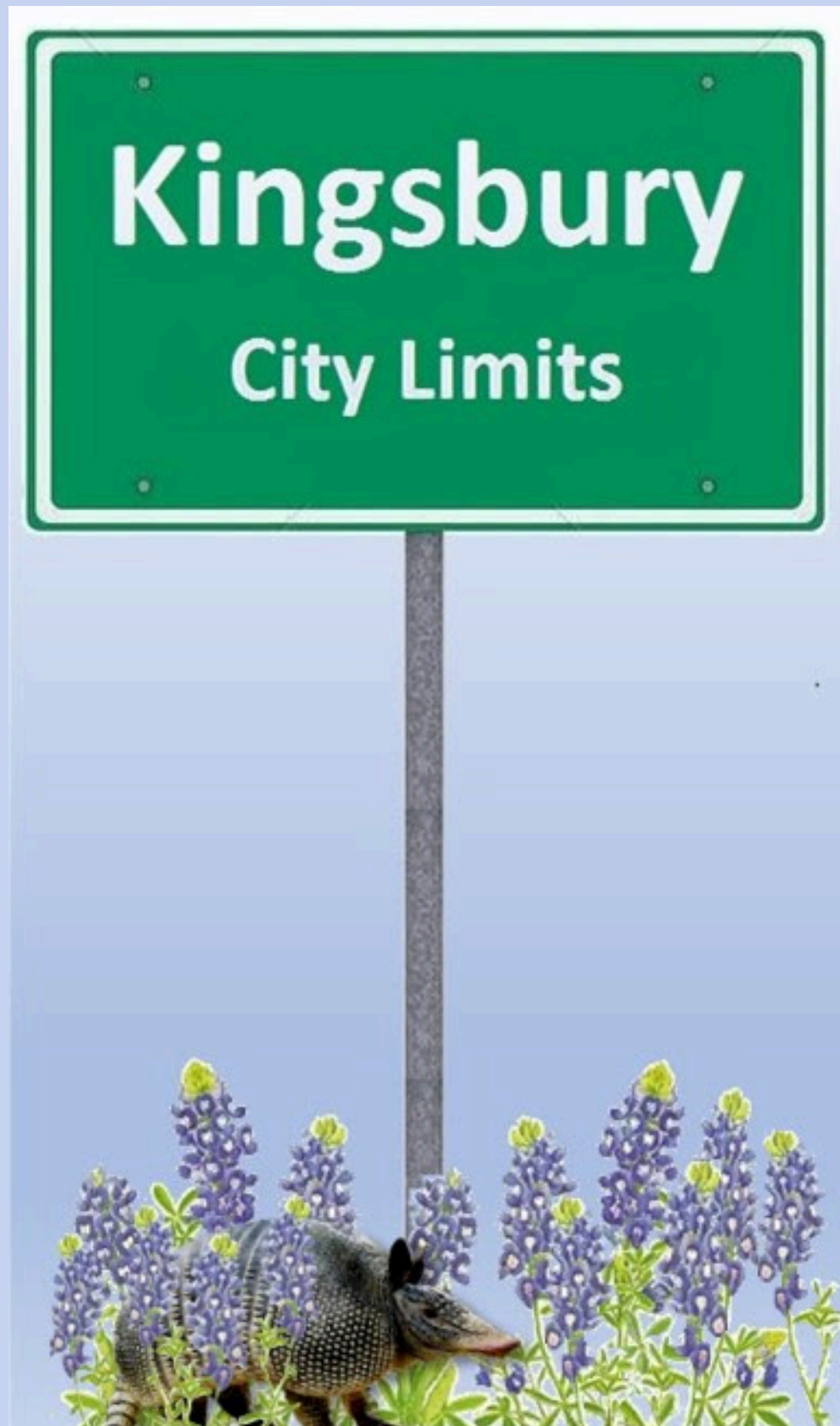


Kingsbury City Limits

Do you have property in the Kingsbury area but not in the **official** Kingsbury city limits? Would you like it to be a part of the new city of Kingsbury? Let Kingsbury know! It's a simple "Voluntary Annexation" petition form to fill out and you can be on the list to be part of out Kingsbury.

Check out the "Kingsbury City Limits" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) to see the current map, get a petition form, and find more information on voluntary annexations.

Also, check out the Kingsbury "[Blog](#)" to see pictures of the first voluntary annexations! Need more information? Just fill out the "Contact" page on the Kingsbury [website](#) and a city official will get it to you. It's so easy!



Masonic Soldier Captured

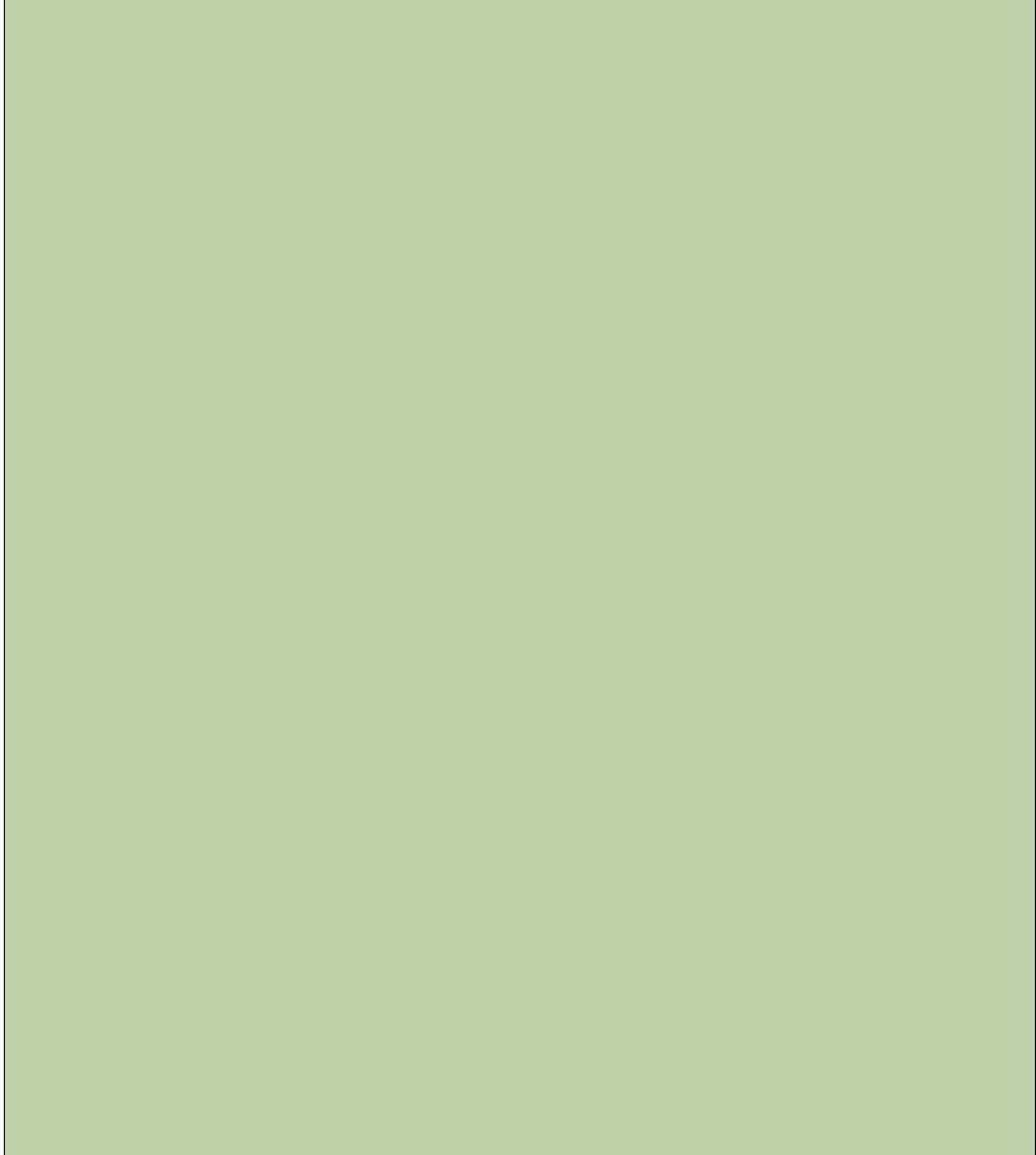
This week in Texas history, on March 15, 1836, Texas Revolutionary soldier Lewis T. Ayers was captured by the Mexican forces of Gen. José de Urrea.

Ayers was involved in the series of skirmishes between March 12 and March 15 that came to be known as the Battle of Refugio where 148 Texian rebels battled 1,500 Mexican soldiers. He was serving with Captain Amon King in an action against the Mexican rear guard when he was captured.

Ayers was one of thirty-three prisoners subsequently led out to be **shot**, but was saved by the intervention of one of Urrea's subordinates, Col. J. J. Holzinger, who halted the execution so that German prisoners might be reprieved. Though he was not a German, Ayers was spared, and afterward set free, reportedly because he gave a Masonic sign that was recognized by the Mexican general.



Chili Cookoff



Big Easy Saloon Kingsbury

Chili

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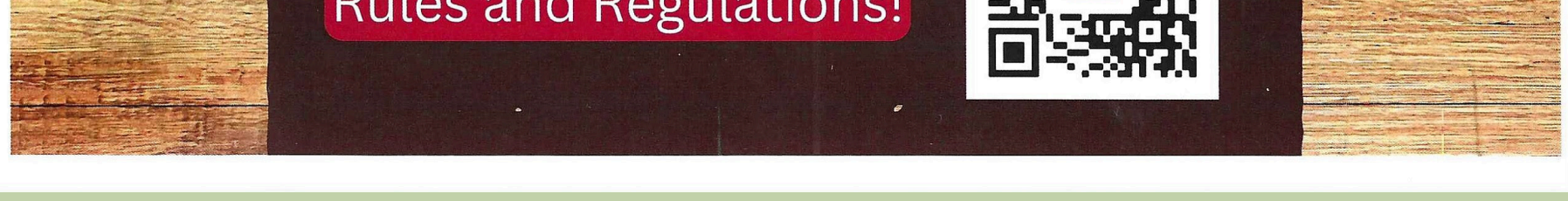
Join us for our 3rd Annual Chili Cookoff!
Chili, Bean, and Bloody Mary Tastings

Saturday March 30

Big Easy Saloon Kingsbury
620 Railway St, Kingsbury, TX 78638

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Rules and Regulations!





Kingsbury Calendar

Do you have a meeting or public event that you want people to **know** about? Just let us know and we'll get it into the Kingsbury Newsletter and on the [Calendar](#) page of kingsburytexas.org!

Get in touch by replying to this email or by going to the Contact page on the Kingsbury [website](#).

It's a great way to find out what's going on around town and to let others know what meetings or events you have planned that your friends and neighbors might like to attend.

KINGSBURY CALENDAR & WEATHER

Time zone: (GMT-06:00) ▾



March 2024



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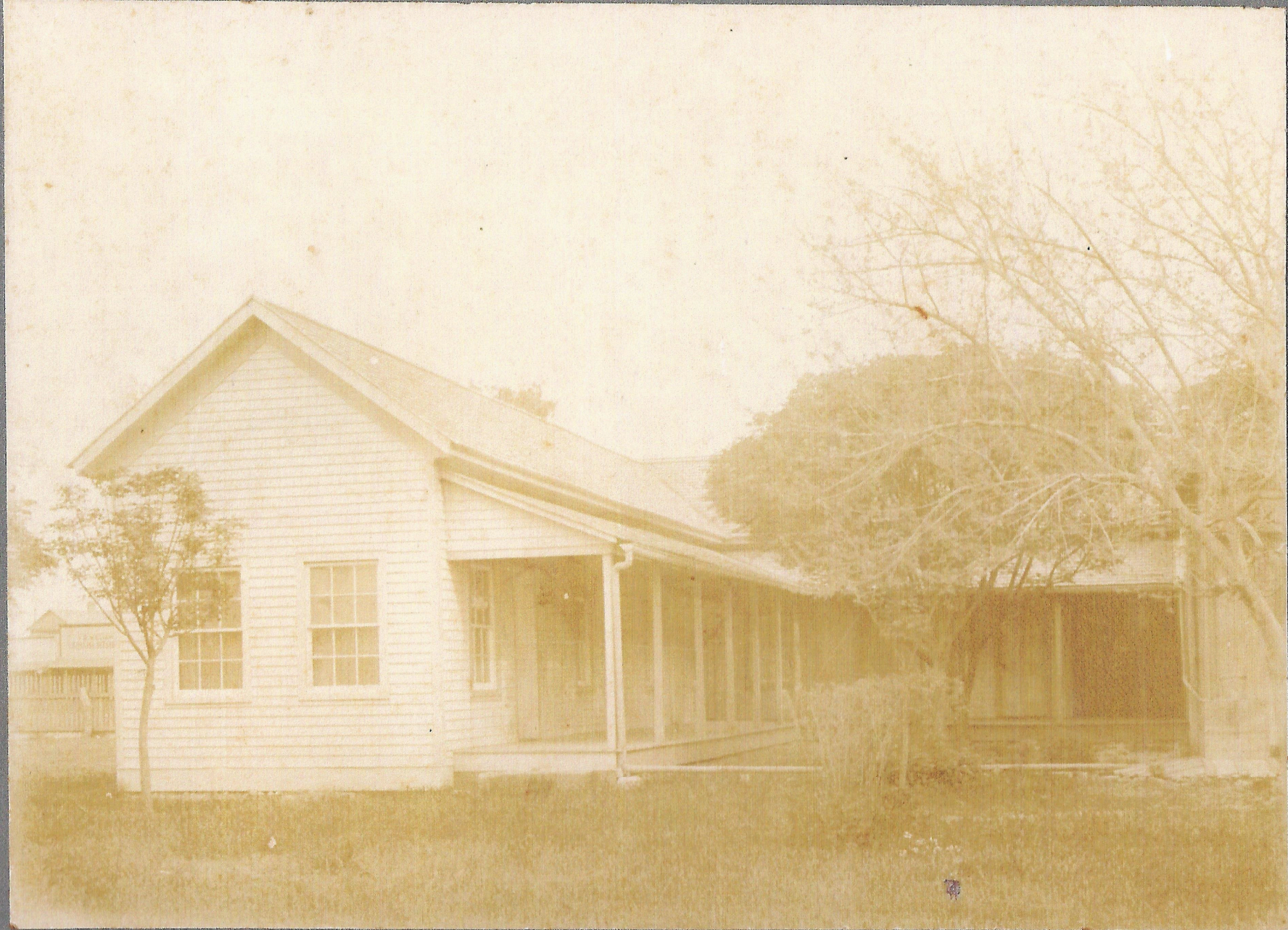
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| 17 St. Patrick's ... Market Day | 18 Kingsbury Ci... | 19 First Day of S... | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 Market Day | 25 Full Worm M... | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Fish Fry | 30 Chili Cook Off |
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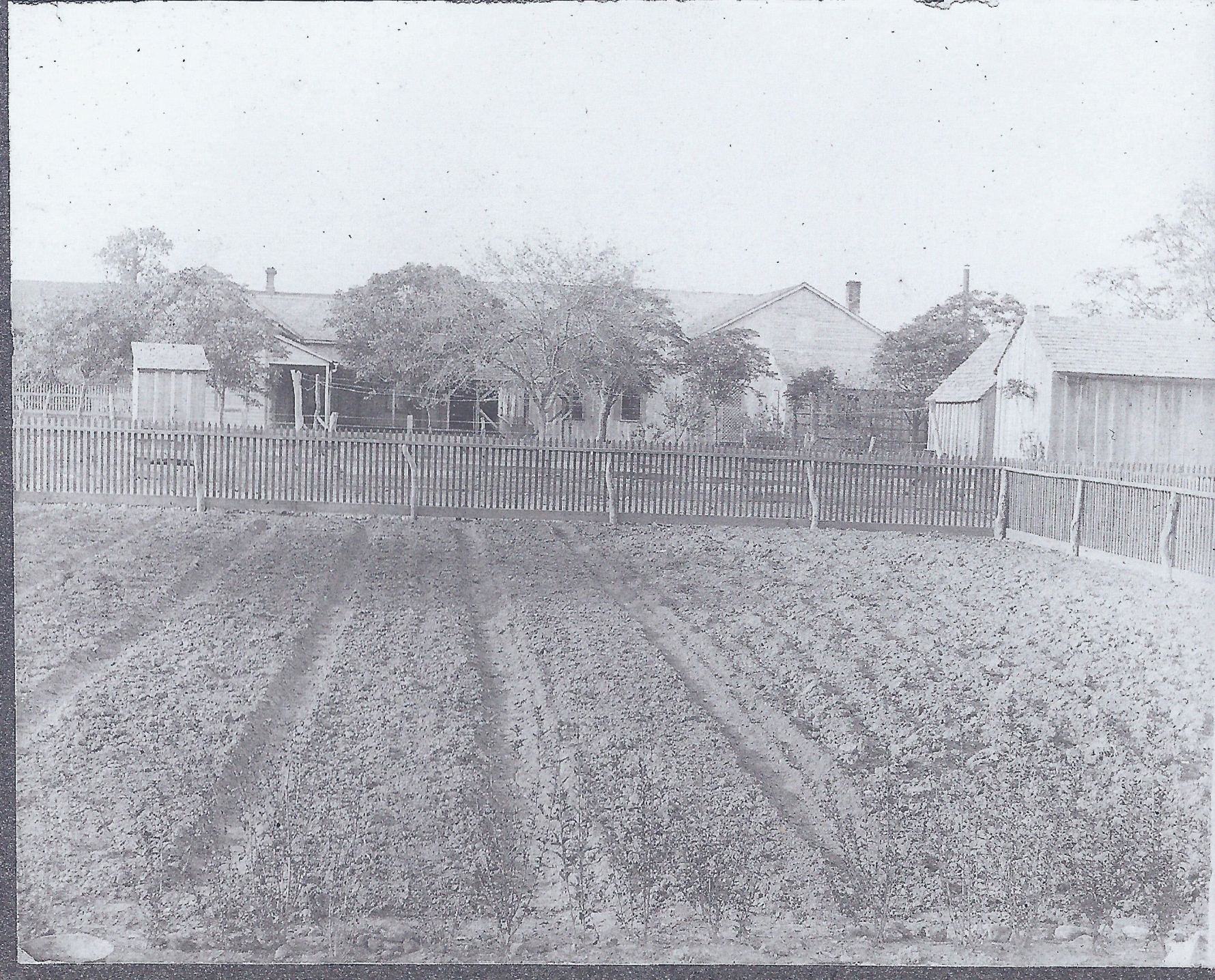
Kingsbury has had **several** hotels over the years, one being the Wolfshohl Hotel. This hotel was built south of the tracks and the depot by the Hampton family and was sold to Daniel Wolfshohl in 1889.

It was used until 1924 when a new hotel was built on the north side of the tracks and called the Lynch Hotel, run by Mrs. Carrie Jones. The pictures below are of the hotel from the front, the back, and the back from across a freshly sewn garden.





Weyschohl Hotel back view



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