# West Texas Historical Association

Sixty-Fifth Annual Meeting April 8-9, 1988

in

Cisco, Texas

# **MOBLEY HOTEL Conference Headquarters**

# Friday, April 8 ★ 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Registration will be held in the Mobley Hotel  $\star$  Registration Fee: \$10.00

Afternoon Program ★ 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Session I

EMIGRANTS TO CENTRAL—WEST TEXAS ..... Corral

Chair: Jack Bates, Angelo State University

Paper I: "Thomas Nathan Mohon: An Unreconstructed Southerner

in Comanche County"

Colonel Richard B. Spencer, Cisco Junior College

Paper II: "August Lieske: A Case Study of The German-Russian

Immigrant''
Wesley J. Valek, Cisco Junior College

**Session II** 

MILITARY HISTORY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Mobley Hotel

Chair: Roger Olien, University of Texas Permian Basin

Paper I: "The Army Comes to Abilene"

James Myers, Abilene, Texas

Paper II: "Border Captives of West Texas"

Ralph A. Smith, Abilene Christian University

# 3:45-4:45 p.m.

#### Session III

THE CATTLE INDUSTRY — LAND MANAGEMENT . . . . . Corral

Chair: Richard Mason, Texas Technological University

Paper I: "Livestock Legacy: A History of the Fort Worth Stockyards,

1887-1987''

J'Nell Pate, Tarrent County Junior College North East

Paper II: "East Invades West: The Salt Cedar Conquest of the Pecos

River and Western Environmental Defense"

Dennis Williams, Texas Technological University

Session IV ELMER KE	LTON Mobley Hotel	
Chair:	Ross McSwain, San Angelo Standard Times	
Paper I:	"The Elmer Kelton Papers in the Southwest Collection" Kenneth W. Davis, Texas Technological University and Jodella Kite, Texas Technological University	
Paper II:	"Elmer Kelton's Use of History" Lawrence Clayton, Hardin-Simmons University	
6:15 p.m.		
Presidents R	eception First National Bank	
	7:00 p.m.	
Banquet		
8:15 p.m.		
Play	"The First Person"	
	Saturday, April 9 ★ 8:45-9:45 a.m.	
Session V WESTERN	DEVELOPMENTSCorral	
Chair:	Escal Duke, Angelo State University	
Paper I:	"James Minus Boren: Pioneer West Texas Cowman" Mildred Boren, Angelo State University	
Paper II:	''The Murder of Stanley Welch and the 1906 Starr County Election''	
	Joe Baulch, Schreiner College	

Session VI	
TRAVELS THROUGH WEST TEXAS Mobley	Hotel

Chair: Earl Elam, Sul Ross State University

Paper I: "The Parker H. French Expedition Through Southwest Texas

in 1850''

Al Tucker, Sul Ross State University

Paper II: "The San Antonio—El Paso Stage Line, 1869-1888"

Nonie Green, San Angelo, Texas

#### 9:50-10:50 a.m.

#### Session VII

FRONTIER ACTIVITY—INDIANS AND SOLDIERS ...... Corral

Chair: David Murrah, Texas Technological University

Paper I: "Big Tree and the Kiowa Red River Raid of 1869"

Michael Collins, Midwestern State University

Paper II: "A Day in the Life of Old Fort Chadbourne"

B.J. Fisher, Abilene, Texas

#### Session VIII

DRYLANDS FARMING ...... Mobley Hotel

Chair: Paul Carlson, Texas Technological University

Paper I: "Irrigation in Southwest Texas: The Quemada Project"

Robert Overfelt, Sul Ross University—Del Rio Campus

Paper II: "The Farmers' Frontier of the Texas South Plains"

Don Abbe, Texas Technological University

### 11:00-12:00 a.m.

#### Session IX

Chair: Thomas Charlton, Baylor University Institute for Oral

History

Paper I: Texas Oral History Association Felon

"The Oral Historians Work"

Panel Discussion

Session X

TWENTIETH CENTURY WEST TEXAS: WOMEN AND POLITICS
Mobley Hotel

Chair: Gene Jones, Angelo State University

Paper I: "Pioneer Women of West Texas in the Early

Twentieth Century"

Delmar Hayter, Texas Technological University

Paper II: "George Mahon and the Role of the Executive in

Foreign Affairs"

Michael Faubion, Texas Technological University

# 12:10 p.m.

Luncheon......\$7.00 per plate

# 12:45 p.m.

"Reconstructing the History of the Cisco Area:
An Exercise in Local History"
Dr. Duane K. Hale, Norman, Oklahoma

# **Program Committee**

Harry P. Hewitt, Chairman - Midwestern State University
Fred Rathjen - West Texas State University
Escal Duke - Angelo State University

# **Guidelines For Submitting Papers For Publication**

- 1. All papers must be received by May 1, each year.
- 2. Papers should not be more than 20 pages (including footnotes) in length and double spaced.
- 3. Endnotes should be used.
- 4. Not all of the papers presented at the Annual Meeting will be published. Approximately 12 to 15 papers are printed each year. Some papers will be held for the next edition of the *Year Book*. At the present time we have a backlog of six papers.

Membership in the W.T.H.A. is open to everybody: dues are \$10.00 annually, which includes a copy of the *Year Book*.

Indexes for Volumes 1-45 and for Volumes 46-55 are available at \$10.00 per copy.

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