

West Texas Historical Association

Sixty-Ninth Annual Meeting



April 3-4, 1992
Sul Ross State University
Alpine, Texas

Friday, April 3

(All sessions except where noted are in the Academic Computer Resource Building on the Sul Ross State University campus across the street from the Museum of the Big Bend.)

12:00 Noon **Registration:** Second Floor Conference Room in the Academic Computer Resource Building, Sul Ross University

Session 1 **Episodes On The West Texas Frontier**

1:15-2:30

Room 204

Paul Carlson presiding, Texas Tech University

The First Road from San Antonio Bexar to El Paso del Norte

Charles Downing, Brackettville

The Battle of the Little Wichita, July 12, 1870

Charles M. Neil, Jr., Houston

Sketches of Old Fort Duncan

Richard Thompson, Whitehead Museum, Del Rio

Session 2

1:15-2:30

Room 205

Hispanic Education In West Texas

Albert B. Tucker presiding, Sul Ross State University

Tejano Response to Public Education Along the Border

Robert Overfelt, Sul Ross University, Del Rio

La Escuela del Barrio: The Alpine Centennial School, 1936-1969

Abelardo Baeza, Sul Ross University, Alpine

The Uvalde School Walkout of 1972

Juan O. Sanchez, Uvalde

Session 3

2:45-4:00

Room 205

U.S. Army In The Big Bend

Kenneth R. Jacobs presiding, Hardin-Simmons University

Fort Davis, 1891-1961

Mary Williams, Fort Davis National Historic Site

The Seminole-Negro Scouts in the Big Bend

Tom Britten, Texas Tech University

Camp Holland in the Big Bend

Bill Leftwich, Fort Davis

Session 4
2:45-4:00
Room 207

Language And Culture

Janet Neugebauer presiding, Texas Tech University

Spanish In The Southwest: A New Look At An Old Language

Gregory Stone, Sul Ross University, Del Rio

The Texas Tech Music Department and Its Contribution to the Cultural Life of Lubbock, 1920s-1930s

Paul Cutter, Texas Tech University

Val Verde County: Place Names

Russell Goodyear, Sul Ross State University, Del Rio

Session 5
2:45-4:00
Room 204

Researching West Texas History

Garry Nall presiding, West Texas State University

Discovering Old Cowboys: A Survey of West Texas Ranching and History

David Murrah, Southwest Collection

Fieldwork, Interviewing, and West Texas History

Mark Friedberger, Texas Tech University

A Footnote Of Warfare In West Texas

Ralph Smith, Abilene Christian University

Session 6
4:15-5:30
Room 204

The Spanish Heritage And West Texas Politics

William A. Webb presiding, Alpine

The Spanish Borderlands from Presido to El Paso, 1530s to 1720

Betty Jackson, Menard

The Mexican Vaquero in South Texas With an Interpretation by John Houghton Allen

Jerald Underwood, Southwest Texas Junior College, Uvalde

How LBJ Got the Spanish Vote in South and West Texas

Joe B. Frantz, Corpus Christi State University

Session 7
4:15-5:30
Room 205

Mexican Revolutionary Coinage

Jim Durham presiding, West Texas College

Special one hour presentation on coins of the period of the Mexican Revolution, 1910-1920: slides, comments, questions, and answers.

John Schmidt, Alpine

Reception
6:30-7:15
SRSU

Museum of the Big Bend

Banquet
7:30-9:00
SRSU

Mountainside Dining Hall

Earl H. Elam presiding

Writing Contemporary History: Let the People Speak
Kenneth Ragsdale, Austin

Saturday, April 4

7:00 a.m.
SRSU

Board of Directors Meeting
West Dining Room, Mountainside Dining Hall

Session 8
9:00-10:15
Room 204

Ranching and Manufacturing

Roger Olien presiding, University of Texas,
Permian Basin

Trans-Pecos Mohair: Angora Goat Ranching in West Texas

Douglas E. Barnett, Texas State Historical Association,
Austin

Colonel William Leslie Black, Frontier Entrepreneur
Ross McSwain, San Angelo

Guayule Rubber Manufacturing in the Texas Big Bend, 1907-1926

Kenneth D. Perry, Museum of the Big Bend,
Sul Ross State University

Session 9
9:-10:15
Room 205

Tales, Legends, and Mysteries

Lawrence Clayton presiding, Hardin-Simmons
University

Las Vegas de los Ladrones and the Flynt Gang
Franklin W. Daugherty, Alpine

Shall and Shall Nots According to the Gospel of Saint Angelo

Escal Duke, San Angelo State University

El Paso's First Detective: The Mysterious Rough Rider
Karen Green, Museum of the Big Bend, Sul Ross
State University

Session 10
10:30-11:45
Room 204

West Texas Women

Judith Parsons presiding, Sul Ross State University

A Panhandle Ranchwomen: Dora Merrell Stroup
Darlene Bellinghausen, Knox City

Gertrude Beasley: My First Thirty Years
Jill Mason, Austin

*Electra Waggoner Biggs: Ranchwoman by Birth,
Artist by Design*
Sharon Kohout, Lubbock

Session 11
10:30-11:45
Room 205

Military Notes

Glenn Nichols presiding, Sul Ross State University

*On The Plateau Where The Rivers Join: The Building
of Fort Concho*
James Matthews, Southwest Collection

Was Carter With Mackenzie at the Palo Duro in 1874?
Bill Tudor, Dallas

*S.E. (Jack) Stilwell and the Court Martial of Lt. William
H. Beck, 10th Cavalry*
Clint E. Chambers, Lubbock

12:15

Luncheon and Business Meeting
Mountainside Dining Hall, SRSU

Announcements and Business Meeting:
Earl H. Elam presiding

President's Address: Paul Carlson presiding

*Columbus and the Historical Consequences of 1492 for
West Texas*
Earl H. Elam

Adjourn

Note:

Archives Of The Big Bend

Located in the Bryan Wildenthal Memorial Library
Open Friday: 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00
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Museum Of The Big Bend

Located across the street from the Academic
Computer Resource Building
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