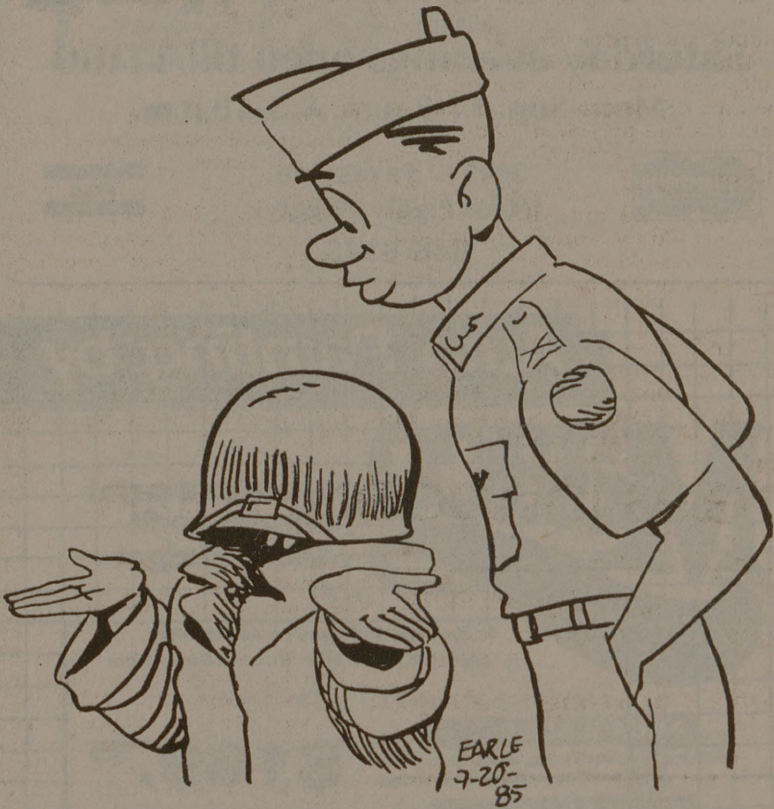


Slouch

By Jim Earle



"Do you think if we forgave SMU for their illegal recruiting, the rest of us would be left alone?"

McCaw will test quality of Channel 3

By JILL BUMBY
Reporter

To test the picture quality of cable Channel 3, McCaw Cablevision will carry KBTX-TV, College Station's local CBS affiliate, on both cable Channel 3 and cable Channel 5 from Sept. 30 to Oct. 14.

If the test proves that cable Channel 3 is better than cable Channel 5, then permanent positioning of KBTX on Channel 3 will be effective Oct. 15.

J.A. DiBacco, vice president and regional manager of McCaw Cablevision, said, "Before we make this

move, which is important to the community of Bryan-College Station, KBTX and McCaw Cablevision, we want to make sure that cable subscribers have the opportunity to participate in the evaluation process."

Harry Gillam, vice president and general manager of KBTX, said, "If everyone receives KBTX on Channel 3, we will be able to improve service to our viewers and our advertisers who will have better recall of our channel designation and our program scheduling information."

The move is designed to eliminate

confusion and to provide consistent, quality service, DiBacco and Gillam said.

KBTX is received in its service territory on television Channel 3 but is received on cable Channel 5 by subscribers to McCaw Cablevision who are the majority of KBTX viewers in Bryan-College Station.

During the 15-day test period, McCaw Cablevision and KBTX will conduct a public information campaign designed to solicit cable subscriber response to the test and to inform cable subscribers of temporary channel changes.

The changes include EPG/The Learning Channel, National Access from cable Channel 5 where it will temporarily be KPRC-TV, Channel 2 in Bryan, an NBC affiliate.

KTVV-TV, Channel 36 in Bryan, also an NBC affiliate, is carrying cable Channel 11.

Results of a coincidental phone survey of B-CS cable subscribers conducted in June by Nielsen Company shows they prefer the Austin NBC affiliate KPRC.

Mexican scribes report booming business in wake of earthquakes

Associated Press

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — A small group of tradesmen who practice a dying craft in this border city has found business booming in the wake of Mexico's devastating earthquakes as people try to get word to relatives in the capital and other hard-hit areas.

Work as an "escribano" or scribe, who squats outside a telegraph or post office and writes a message or letter for illiterates, generally is a decent living. But last week's earthquakes have made the pace hectic.

Jose Gonzalez, a post office employee who starts work at noon, has been a scribe for two years, replacing

a man who plied the trade for a generation before he died.

In his free mornings, Gonzalez sets envelopes, stationery and pens on the post office steps and writes letters for "usually about 10 people a day" for about 50 cents each.

Since two earthquakes rocked Mexico Sept. 19 and 20, Gonzalez said he has been writing about six extra letters each day.

"They all say the same thing: 'Please write, we are worried,'" Gonzalez said. "It's a formula. I could close my eyes and write it without asking what they want."

Around the corner from Gonzalez,

telegram scribes have had even more business in the past week. One scribe sitting with a pad of blank telegrams said he is tipped the equivalent of 6 to 12 U.S. cents for each telegram he writes. Thirty good tips would equal Mexico's minimum wage, about \$3.75 a day, and the scribes usually write 50 telegrams daily. Since the earthquakes, they have been writing at least 100.

At the post office, Gonzalez said he usually gets more than the minimum wage in four hours of letter writing. Since last week, he has been pocketing the equivalent of an additional salary, about \$9 a day, he said.

Banker says wife's killer shouldn't die

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Some bears so much sorrow that they no longer, a bank president says he doesn't want his wife's killer executed for the crime.

Authorities Wednesday rested two San Antonio men charged them with capital murder in the slaying. They were jailed without bond.

"Life in prison with no chance for parole would be adequate punishment in my view," he said Wednesday. "I am filled so much sorrow that I am not angry."

Let Us Cater your next Party! 1-5,000 people

Bar-B-Que Beef & Sausage, Potato Salad, Beans, Bread, Pickles, Peppers, Sauce, Onions, Ice Tea, Plates, Cups, Silverware Packets

100 or more \$3.75 per person

Call for more details 779-6417
810 S. Main

Gideon's FARMERS MARKET
RESTAURANT & CATERING

DR. KATHRYN YORKE OPTOMETRIST

Announces With Pleasure The Association Of

DR. JAMES MATHIS OPTOMETRIST

And The Extension Of Our Office Hours To:

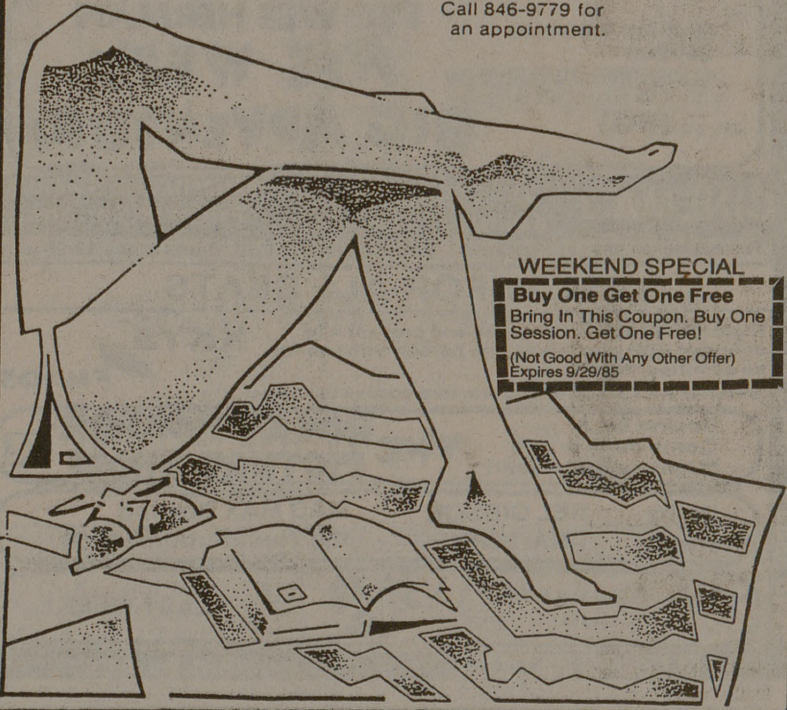
Mon-Fri 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please call for an appointment 764-0669

Located in Post Oak Mall next to Royal Optical

TAN U

104 Old College Main at Northgate
Walk-ins are welcome.
Call 846-9779 for an appointment.



Charlie's BOOTS

DISCOUNT TERRITORY

Before Charlie's you had to drive a "Lott" to save a little...

The Justin Roper
Mens and ladies. All colors.
\$95.00 Value..... **\$82.50**

Stock Show Ropers
All leather construction.
Men's gray, tan and navy.
\$75.00 Value..... **\$59.00**

Acme Ladies Ropers
Red, gray, blue and tan.
\$75.00 Value..... **\$59.00**

Acme Kids Ropers
Tan, gray and red.
Infant..... **\$22.50**
Children..... **\$29.50/\$34.50**

Tony Lama Exotics
160 assorted pairs: Lizard, Backcut Snake, Elephant, Boa. Values to \$250.00..... **\$149.00**

600 Western snap, long sleeve shirts. (Domestic) **Reduced 25%**
Assorted men's authentic Western shirts (Imported) \$18.00 Value. **\$9.99**

Grand Opening! Saturday

Open Sunday, Noon-5; Weekdays til 9

Tony Lama ■ Justin ■ Dan Post ■ Acme ■ Lucchese ■ Ladies' & Children's Boots ■ Accessories

East Bypass at Tabor Road across from Rodeo Pavillion ■ 778-0168