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October 11, 1943 Six Fort Worth Army Air Field men were killed last night in the crash of a Liberator bomber three miles northwest of Granbury. The Lewiston Daily Sun

October 11, 1978 Two prisoners dug their way out of the old Hood County Jail by removing the mortar around several stones near the ceiling and climbing out on the roof. Fort Worth Star Telegram

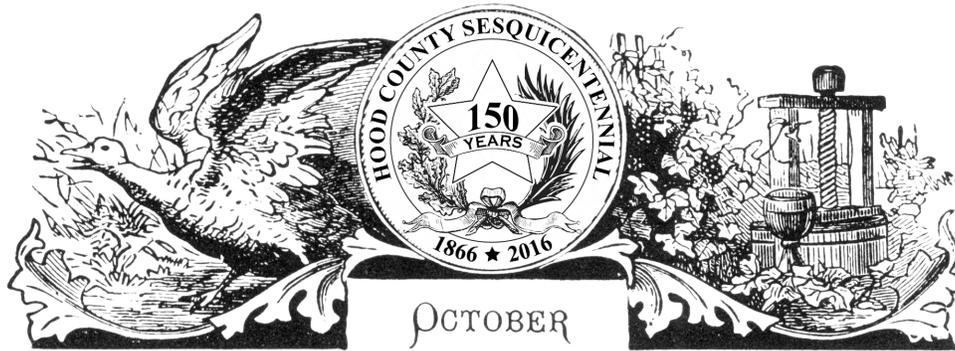
October 13, 1906 A story is told that in the country between Comanche peak and Robinson creek a large quantity of gold had been buried by parties who, on their return from the goldfields of California, were attacked by the Indians then infesting the country. Carbondale Daily Free Press

October 15, 1891 The Great Van Amburg United Railroad Shows advertised they were coming by special trains to Granbury, Monday, October 26, promising the earth's greatest living curiosities, a circus of imported artists, and a free street parade. The Granbury News

October 24, 1910 In an altercation between Frank West and John Caraway yesterday at Hightower Valley, near Granbury, West received serious cuts and Caraway was injured. The El Paso Herald

October 26, 1912 The Granbury Depot was destroyed by a fire first discovered in the baggage room of the Frisco Railroad passenger station. The building was completely destroyed, but furniture, fixtures and safe were saved. Fort Worth Star Telegram

October 29, 1887 Granbury - A General Row. Correspondence of the Gazette. Granbury, TX, Oct. 27---- Last night while people were drifting in for all directions to hear Rolla Ryan, some trouble arose at the door between Jean Thrash and John Glenn, the latter accusing Thrash of trying to beat the door-keeper, old man Ryan, out of the door fee. Angry words and abusive language were exchanged, which lead to blows. In spite of all Deputy Tom Hiner could do, they had a round in the opera house, after which citizens interfered and they were parted. Going down stairs and into the saloon of Mr. S.B. Watts, the fight was renewed Lee Thrash, uncle of Jean Thrash, was frustrated at hearing of the affair upstairs and made some uncomplimentary remarks, which led to a set-to between him and Mr. Glenn, and for about fifteen minutes there was a general row and fighting going on. Considerable blood and bruises were the principal damages sustained on either side. Mr. Glenn is a regular appointed deputy sheriff to assist other deputies in the absence of Sheriff Morris, and went up to see that no trouble arose or



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peace or order was disturbed, when the raffle took place. Peace and order was finally restored and all hands took in the opera. Fort Worth Gazette

October 27, 1933 Residents and visitors in Granbury next Tuesday afternoon will have the privilege of witnessing some of the most thrilling stunts performed by modern dare devils of the air. The progressive merchants here have arranged for an aerial show that will be worth coming a long way to see. A famous dare-devil will give the feature performance of the afternoon by plunging from a speeding plane 3,000 feet above the business district of Granbury, descending by parachute. Following this jump, Barney Barnard will do a series of thrilling stunts in his stunt plane. The Granbury News

October 31, 1898 Granbury, Hood Co., Tex. Doctors reported a case of small-pox at Peter James, who lives near Acton, six miles east of here. County Health Officer Menefee went out yesterday evening, and confirmed their diagnosis and established a quarantine. The sick man is Bill Davis who came here from El Paso about ten days ago. The report caused no uneasiness, and business is going on as usual. Judge Berry has called the commissioners court to meet tomorrow to take action in the matter. Dallas Morning News 11/1/1898

October 31, 1912 About six o'clock last Saturday morning the fire alarm aroused the town, when it was discovered that the Frisco passenger depot was on fire. The firemen responded, but it was under too much headway to do any good with the chemicals, while there was no main near enough to reach the fire with a hose. Those who first discovered the fire seemed to realize that fighting it would be useless, so devoted their time to saving the contents and were quite successful, everything being saved from the office and waiting rooms, while most of the baggage was also saved. The fire evidently originated in the southwest corner of the baggage room, where a large quantity of old papers were stored in shelves, and this caused it to burn very fast. No one has any idea how the fire originated. Agent Weise promptly moved his office furniture and fixtures into the west end of the freight depot and was transacting business as usual by the time the next train arrived. Temporary quarters will be used in that building until a new depot is built. The Granbury News