

Hood County Sesquicentennial Almanac - A Digest of News Items from Around the Country

November 1, 1908 There is no doubt but that Lipan has the cheapest telephone system and service in Texas. The co-operative system was organized six years ago and other towns soon followed with similar plans when its success was assured. Fort Worth Star Telegram

November 2, 1909 A train of automobiles on the San Antonio and Dallas endurance race passed through Granbury yesterday at intervals of 20 minutes apart. The road selected by them from Weatherford to Granbury was one of the roughest in the country. Fort Worth Star Telegram

November 2, 1909 A fire at 3 o'clock this morning damaged the building occupied by the Granbury post office and three stores. The fire originated in the rear of the post office.
Palestine Daily Herald

November 4, 1887 Two prisoners escaped the Hood County Jail. The News reporter examined the jail the next morning and it seems very evident that either a third party went in from the outside with a key to the combination lock or else the cage doors were all left unlocked. After getting out of the cage they had only to file out one of the iron rods in the windows and crawl out, which they did most successfully. Dallas Morning News

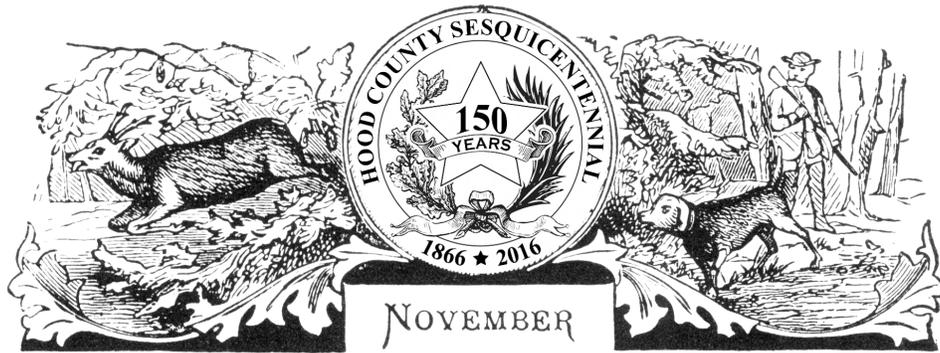
November 7, 1912 Mr. Ross had a talk last week with the Superintendent of the Frisco road and that official stated that plans were being drawn for a modern brick depot building at Granbury, but probably the location would be moved. The Granbury News

November 9, 1903 The Commissioners' Court ordered that no signs or other obstructions shall be permitted to be erected on any part of the Court House yard or on any part of the Court House Yard grounds, and that the Band Stand now situated on said Court House yard shall be removed.

November 10, 1877 Hood County. A chain gang was at work on the streets this week. The weather has hindered cotton picking, wheat sowing and other farm work. P.H. Thrash exhibited a fox as the result of Thursday morning's chase. Galveston Daily News

November 11, 1908 The largest Stock Show and Trades Day ever pulled off in Hood County took place in Lipan. Fort Worth Star Telegram

November 15, 1935 Old and young will enjoy the Bailey Bros Circus that will be here Saturday under the auspices of the American Legion. Show grounds east of town on highway toward



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Brazos bridge. Advertised location: "Showgrounds- Airport - East on Highway" The Granbury News

November 16, 1866 The Legislature of Texas passed a bill, on the 17th of October, creating a new county, which was named Hood county, in honor of Gen. J.B. Hood The Pulaski Citizen, Pulaski, Tenn.

November 19, 1891 Mr. H.J. Kerr is fitting up the upper story of his building as an opera hall. He will have a good stage, with necessary fixtures, and chairs and raised seats for about 300 persons. By this enterprise Granbury may secure some good companies. The band boys are learning very fast, and, with the assistance of some outside parties, will give a fine entertainment at the Kerr hall next Monday night. The Granbury News

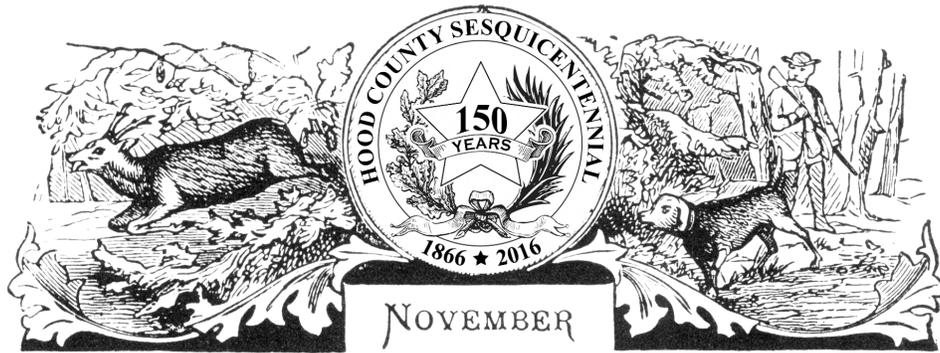
November 19, 1891 Granbury Coronet Band will play on Monday night, Nov. 23rd for the benefit of the Band. Anyone interested in the progress of the Band please take notice. A good time is promised to all who attend. The Granbury News

November 19, 1891 Robert A. Neff Comedy Co. will appear in Kerr's Hall two nights only, Friday and Saturday nights, Nov. 20-21. This company is first class in every respect, numbering twenty first class artists, carry their own brass band and orchestra and special scenery traveling in their own special palace coach. Free concert in front of the Opera house at 7 p.m. The Granbury News

November 27, 1971 Two inmates escaped the Hood County Jail by breaking a lock off their cell door. Dallas Morning News

November 27, 1925 The Big Tent Theatre located on a lot near Depot, advertises a solid week of fun featuring Billy Fortner's Comedians. The Granbury News

November 30, 1893 Fort Worth, Tex. Under the escort of his former friends and comrades of the lost cause the remains of Gen. H.B. Granbury were taken to the Union depot and by the Rio Grande conveyed to Granbury. The escort was the R.E. Lee camp of the United Confederate Veterans under command of Capt. A.B. Frazier. Dr. Doyle, representing Hood Camp, and Maj. K.M. Van Zandt, who was the major of the regiment commanded by Gen Granbury, were active in effecting the arrangements for the transfer. Gen. Granbury was shot at Franklin, Tenn., just



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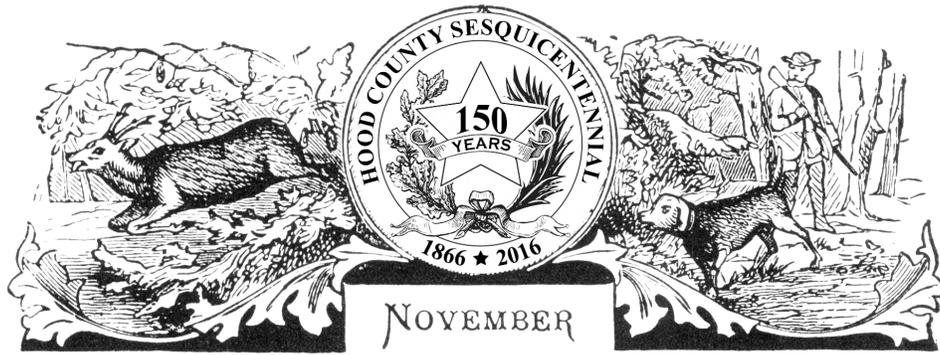
twenty-nine years ago today, Nov. 30, 1864. Against the earnest protest of his men, it was the custom of Gen. Granbury to lead charges in person, and thus it was when he was killed. The body of the dead general was found within twenty steps of the breastworks and right in the edge of Franklin, and at Franklin the body was buried to rest until brought back to Texas for re-interment in a town named for him, the county seat of a county named in honor of another Confederate general, Hood.

The people from the county began to arrive early and by 10 o'clock the square was full. It was the greatest gathering by 12 o'clock ever assembled in Granbury. The special train from Fort Worth which brought the remains of General Granbury, arrived at 12:30 o'clock and brought a good delegation, among them Col. John H. Traylor and Capt. Scott of Dallas (among many others). The train was met at the depot by John B. Hood camp of the uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, and the remains escorted to the courthouse, where they remained till the procession was formed to escort the body to the cemetery.

The casket was wrapped in the first flag designed for the confederacy, the stars and bars, and on account of its resemblance to the federal flag had been added a red field with a blue cross. The flag was mostly blue and in the center on top of the casket was a red star in a white field. On the casket flowers had been wreathed into a star, a circle and a cross.

The procession formed at the courthouse at 1 o'clock. First came the hearse, then followed hacks with pall bearers, a long line of old confederate veterans, the band, the Grand Army of the Republic, students of Granbury college, Add Ran college, and public school. The procession was three-quarters of a mile long. The crowd was estimated at 5000, many of whom were ex-confederates. Dallas Morning News

November 28, 1893 Brownwood, Brown Co., Tex [To The News] Noticing an article in The News of the 27th from Seth Granberry Mullins of Corsicana, regarding the name Granbury, I called to-day on his (General H.B. Granbury's) only surviving sister, Mrs. Nautie Granberry Moss of this city and asked her about the correct orthography of the family name. Mrs. Moss said that the family name has always spelled Granberry, but that on account of some peculiar whim, Gen. Hiram B. Granbury on arriving at maturity, insisted on spelling his name Granbury, and he adhered strictly to this spelling of his name during his life time. She has a number of letters from her brother in which he signs his name Granbury, and at no time did he ever use the old family orthography. From this it would seem that the town being named for him, should remain Granbury. Will H. Mayes. Dallas Morning News



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