7. INTO THE 1950'S

World War II had come and gone and by 1950 most veterans had settled down into jobs or had started their own businesses. Many had taken advantage of the G.I. Bill of Rights and had gotten and education they could not have otherwise received. The conflict in Korea broke out on June 25, 1950, and during its course President Truman wisely limited it to a "Police Action" by keeping General MacArthur from invading China and thereby possibly getting Russia involved. This Korean Action was neither popular nor unpopular -- the "Forgotten War" -- and a new crop of veterans was created. There was very little protesting against sending troops to Korea.

Bingo was first brought up in 1950 (09-05-50) it was voted to have bingo games (10-03-50) with the Post furnishing the equipment and the Auxiliary making the necessary arrangements. Bingo began on October 25 and was open to the general public. At first it was very successful, but interest waned after five or six years.

It is noted in the minutes (01-02-51) that the December 1950 meeting was called off because it was too cold.

After sponsoring a V-J Day celebration jointly with the V.F.W. each year on August 14 since 1946, it was decided to discontinue the celebration and instead sponsor an appreciation day and dance.

In 1952 (05-05-52), it was voted that the \$13,000.00 in the memorial fund be allotted towards a memorial swimming pool to be built in Wolters' Park, provided that the Chamber of Commerce would raise enough funds from donations by private citizens so that there would be no debt incurred by the Legion. \$15,000.00 was raised and Oscar Wolters agreed to match any donations dollar for dollar. The pool was located at the northeast corner of Wolters' Park near the West Avenue entrance (now exit only). Commissioner Hubert Heller hauled all the gravel and steel for the pool at no charge. Veterans Memorial Swimming Pool was dedicated on May 31, 1953, with a large celebration, and enough funds were raised to pay for the pool in full, the total cost being \$45,000.00. It was dedicated to the men who dedicated their lives to their country in time of war. It was found (11-03-53) that the charter issued on January 26, 1920, was a temporary one, and it was decided to apply for a permanent charter. This was presented at the meeting on February 6, 1954. Pertinent parts of the charter read as follows:

Permanent Charter Issued November 18, 1953 Registration Number 20,662 /s/ Arthur J. Connell, National Commander /s/ Henry H. Dudley, National Adjutant Countersigned by Commander and Adjutant, Department of Texas November 28, 1953 /s/ L.E. Page /s/ B. Ward Moody

Only three members showed up for the meeting on April 6, 1954, so no meeting was held.

For some reason or other the minutes of the Post from June 1955 to July 1966 are missing. This was noted in the brief history of the Post researched and written by Adjutant Arthur Graf in 1973.

In 1954, the State Bowling Tournament was again held in Schulenburg and was very successful. Also successful was the Texas Tenpin Bowling Tournament held in Schulenburg from April to July, 1961.

The Legion bought the tract of land just west of the bowling alleys in 1956, and in turn leased it free of charge to the Little League for a term of twenty-five years, or as long as it would be used as a baseball field.

On April 11, 1965, Joe Krhovjak was the first Commander to die while in office. He died in Youens Hospital as the result of a severe heart attack suffered on March 31.

The Legion again sponsored a bingo night on the third Saturday of each month, beginning at 8:00 p.m. on August 20. It was a project entered jointly with the Auxiliary.

Schulenburg once again hosted the District Convention on October 1 and 2, 1966. A lot of hard work is required of the members of the Post that hosts the convention, but as usual, Schulenburg buckled down and came up with a very successful convention, both in quality and financially.

8. THE LEGION POST GOES IT ALONE

The Legion Post and the V.F.W. parted ways by dissolving the Tri-Association partnership (11-01-66). The V.F.W. ended up as the sole owner of the bowling alleys and the swimming pool, and the Legion ended up as the sole owner of the dance hall.

Old receipts at Baumgarten-Matula (03-05-68) showed the original cost of the Tri-Association Hall -- now the American Legion Hall -- for the materials, was \$1200.00. It was built in 1877 on the southwest corner of Summit Street and Upton Avenue and known as Turner Hall. The contractor was Frank Bohlmann, Sr.

With the Legion becoming sole owner of the hall, it was found that the members had to work harder and that, in addition to income from renting the hall and from dances, money making projects had to be held. These included picnics, dinners, suppers, raffles, auctions, and any number of other projects. At one time a dance club flourished, but after a time interest died down and it was discontinued in 1981. Then, too, the expenses were always there, and with inflation they kept rising constantly. Such expenses included insurance, property taxes, repairs and remodeling, termite control, utilities, supplies, and many others.

For the first time McBride Post had a District Commander. Herb Rode was elected at the District Convention held in Shiner on April 27, 1969, and he served one term.

Since the officers did much extra work in connection with managing two halls, it was voted to pay them a monthly compensation (05-06-69), beginning after the installation of officers for 1970, as follows:

Commander - \$25.00 Adjutant - \$15.00 Finance Officer - \$15.00 Auxiliary President - \$15.00

The idea of air conditioning the large hall was brought up (10-07-69) but was tabled at that time. Finally, at a special meeting called on October 16, 1972, it was voted to have Lennox Air Conditioning Company install the necessary units at a cost of \$19,925.00. By May 1973, the large hall was completely air conditioned with all units in operation.

The Mayor, City Manager, and some of the Councilmen were present at the meeting on May 6, 1980. It was explained that the city wanted to rework the Bohlmann Avenue entrance to the park. The Legion was asked to move their meeting hall to another location in the park with the city paying for the entire operation, including sidewalks, utility connections, and whatever else was necessary. The building was moved east of the swimming pool and was ready for the July 1 meeting. For the sixth time the District 9 Convention was held in Schulenburg. It was held on October 10 and 11, 1981, and like the previous ones, was very successful.

It was reported (06-07-83) that \$120,000.00 insurance was carried on the big hall and \$40,000.00 on the contents.

In 1983, the Legion and V.F.W. jointly agreed to erect a memorial monument in front of the large hall with the names inscribed thereon of Schulenburg area personnel who were killed or died while on active duty in the armed services during World War I, World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War. The total cost of the monument was \$3,350.00 (10-04-83), with the Legion and the V.F.W. each paying half of this amount. The \$1,675.00 for the Legion was paid from the bingo fund (11-01-83). The monument was dedicated on November 11, and it and the celebration that followed turned out to be a huge success. (Inscriptions on the monument are shown on the following four pages.)

Milton Gabler was elected 9th District Commander at the convention held in El Campo on April 27, 1985 (05-07-85), the second one from Schulenburg. He was reelected for a second term the following year but by then he had transferred to Jerome Michal Post No. 94 in Flatonia.

C. R. Warren and Carl Wendler attended the National Convention held in Lousiville, Kentucky in 1988 (10-04-88). Previously, C. R. Warren and his wife, Jean, had attended the National Convention in Seattle, Washington in 1983, making it one of the stopovers on their AmTrak trip.

The last convention for District 9 held in Schulenburg was hosted November 1 and 2, 1986. To summarize, there were seven District Conventions held in Schulenburg as follows (^P indicates a program in files):

November 25, 1934 October 24, 1937 May 25, 1941 April 30 to May 1, 1949^P October 1 - 2, 1966^P October 10 - 11, 1981^P November 1 - 2, 1986^P

In 1989, the nominating committee presented a slate of candidates for office without having contacted them for their consent. The nominations were declared void, the committee was dismissed, and a new committee was appointed. The slate presented by the new committee, after contacting the prospective officers, was the same as the previous slate, except that no one was name for Commander. Subsequently, a commander was nominated from the floor and so elected.

Again, a Commander died while in office. Commander Edwin Orsak died on April 24, 1992, as a result of a stroke.

Rev. Halata, who had served as Chaplain for many years, was made Honorary Chaplain (08-04-92) with his dues to be paid by the Post each year.

MEMORIAL MONUMENT -- SOUTH SIDE

World War I

Pvt. Lidwik Dornak
PFC Louis Machac
Pvt. Robert C. Manthey
Cpl. Johnny W. McBride
Pvt. Ferdinand J. Mendel
Pvt. Joseph A. Rabel
Pvt. Louis P. Ruhmann
Pvt. Henry Winter
Sgt. Marion Worrell
Pvt. Richard E. Knesek

World War II

1st Lt. Frank W. Herzik
S/Sgt. Carlton E. Knezek
S/Sgt. George D. Pavlicek
RM 3/C Thomas E. Baumgarten
S/Sgt. Meinhardt W. Helmcamp

THIS MEMORIAL WAS ERECTED THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE SCHULENBURG VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST #5623 AND AMERICAN LEGION MCBRIDE POST #143 IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE FOR THEIR COUNTRY NOVEMBER 11, 1983



THIS MONUMENT BUILT OF ENDURING GRANITE SYMBOL IN DESIGN AND REVERENT PURPOSE RESTING IN SURROUNDINGS OF PEACE AND BEAUTY. A TRIBUTE OF RESPECT AND HONOR TO THE DEAD A CONSTANT SOURCE OF INSPIRATION TO THE LIVING.



MEMORIAL MONUMENT -- EAST SIDE

World War II

Lt. Granville W. Cowan Ens. Ernest A. Bosl, Jr. Pvt. Eddie Sbrusch Pvt. Erwin J. Cordes Sgt. Ivan Rainosek PFC Emil E. Knesek, Jr. Sgt. Erwin E. Tengler Pvt. Herman J. Heinrich S/2C Method C. Janacek PFC Edward J. Marek PFC Jerry R. Vaculik PFC Robert Bohuslav PFC Adolph E. Rab PFC Rudolf L. Barta Anton Kresta, Jr. PFC Pvt. Joseph Lev PFC John V. Muras PFC Erwin W. Schuetze Cpl. Nolan F. Kalich T/Sgt. Melvin E. Hertel Sgt. Victor Berger PFC Lawrence L. Herzik

THERE IS NO GREATER SACRIFICE ONE CAN MAKE THAN TO GIVE ONE'S LIFE FOR ONE'S COUNTRY

MEMORIAL MONUMENT -- NORTH SIDE

World War II

TEC 4 Hervert L. Kainer PFC Emil Mladenka, Jr. PFC Eddie E. Valicek PFC Alfonse J. Orsak S/Sgt. Julius P. Vasek PFC Anton J. Olsovsky Pvt. Marvin Chudej Sgt. Eugene Holub PFC Hugh Carroll Cpl. Ladik Osina Pvt. Ivan E. Mazoch Pvt. Rudolph Dittrich

THEY ARE NOT DEAD. LIFE'S FLAG IS NEVER FURLED. THEY PASSED FROM WORLD TO WORLD.

MEMORIAL MONUMENT -- WEST SIDE

Korean War

Lt. Harvey E. Holub SFC Edgar F. Michalek PFC Lowell W. Greenwood

Vietnam War

Capt. Floyd W. Kaase Capt. Gerald J. Walla SP4 Edward H. Beyer M/Sgt. Edgar J. Brossman

DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY WELL DONE. BE THOU AT PEACE NOR SHALL YOUR STORY BE FORGOT

Jason Porter and Matt Corbin were chosen to go to Boys' State in Austin in June (04-06-93) with them reporting on it at the August 3 meeting. And Cathy Runnels, a 12th grade student, was the Post 143 and the District 9 winner in the oratorical contest. She was unable to go to the division contest because of schedule conflicts.

During the 75 years of its existence, McBride Post has always been community conscious, especially when it comes to supporting the youth. In addition to sponsoring Boys' State and Girls' State and oratorical contests, the Legion has done much to help the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League, Teen Town, and all other programs that involved the youth of the community.

The Legion, in conjunction with the V.F.W., furnishes a color guard for various functions including parades, dedications, picnics, and many others -- including the services held annually in Praha in connection with Armistice Day. It is hoped that this color guard service will continue for many years to come.

9. AND THE FUTURE?

Of great concern is the projection of membership into future years. At best, total membership each year is between 30% and 35% of those eligible. And those eligible are dying off faster than veterans are becoming eligible. Schulenburg's membership is high, estimated at abut 50% of those eligible. But only one World War I veteran remains in the Post, and those from World War II, the largest group, are all in their late sixties and older.

Another concern is the dues spiralling upward rapidly. Since 1920, the dues have been as follows, the first figure the amount collected from each member and the second figure the amount sent for each member to state and national:

1920	to	1934		3.00	-	2.25
1935				2.75	-	2.25
1936	to	1949		2.75	-	2.40
1950			•	3.00	-	3.00
1951	to	1952		3.25	-	3.00
1953	to	1955		3.50	-	3.00
1956	to	1960		4.00	-	3.25
1961				5.00	-	3.50
1962				5.00	-	4.00
1963	to	1964		5.00	-	4.50
1965	to	1971		6.00	-	5.00
1972				6.50	-	5.50
1973	to	1975		7.00	-	6.50
1976				8.00	-	7.50
1977	to	1979		8.50	-	7.50
1980				8.50	-	8.50
1981	to	1982		10.00	-	8.50
1983	to	1993		13.00	-	11.50
1994				16.00	-	14.00
1995				18.50	-	17.50

Every time dues go up, some members drop out. And with higher dues, new members are more difficult to recruit.

It appears that the main reason that dues keep going up is that the expenses at both state and national levels are topheavy. Among the expenses that could be reduced or eliminated are the individual mailings of dues notices, maintaining both a newspaper and a magazine, and the cost of over-elaborate National Conventions. Even though costly, an independent efficiency study could no doubt show where enough expenses could be cut that it would be possible to reduce dues.

With conflicts on a smaller scale and of shorter duration, the source for new members is very much out of proportion to that of older member losses. And the men and women that do become eligible show little or no interest in the Legion. It may come to the point that those who serve in peace time would also be eligible. In connection with this, some motivation will have to be provided to get them to join and to keep them in once they have joined. What it will take is not known, but surely with all the expertise available, someone should come up with an answer so that the Legion will continue to function long into the future.

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1919	- 11		Capt. A. Schlafli Chairman org. meeting
1920			Joe Stelzig
1921	-	1922	Capt. A. Schlafli
1923			Fred Kautske
1924			Fred Schindler; Joe Stahl
1925			Joe Stahl
1926	-	1927	Walter Schaefer
1928			E. H. Patton
1929			Ray Kusey
1930			Willie J. Schaefer
1930	-	1932	William A. Farek
1932		1934	C. T. Morene
1934	-	1935	E. J. Parma
1935	-	1938	Carl Huser
1938	-	1941	William A. Farek
1941	-	1945	
1945	-	1947	Ed. Kyle
1947	-	1952	H. R. Clark
1952	-	1954	Leon Wessels
1954	-	1956	Reinhardt J. Winkler
1956	-	1958	James D. Rothermel
		1959	
1959	-	1962	Melvin Drumm
1962	-	1965	Joe F. Krhovjak died in office
			Herbert W. Rode
1967	-	1979	Edwin W. J. Janacek
1979	-	1987	Milton H. Gabler
		1990	
		1992	Edwin E. Orsak died in office
		1994	Royce O. Brauner
1994	-	1995	Elroy Dieringer

FIRST VICE COMANNDER				
1921 - 1922	Alfred Flocke			
1923	Emil Schulz			
1924	Alex Sengelmann			
1925 - 1927	Ray Kusey			
1928	Myke Klein			
1929	Willie J. Schaefer			
1930	Willam A. Farek			
1930 - 1932	Charles J. Blaschke			
1932 - 1934	Walter Schaefer			
1934 - 1935	Carl Huser			
1935 - 1936	R. M. Nicol			
1936 - 1937	Leon Wessels			
1937 - 1939	Alfred Gleckler			
1939 - 1942	Grover Gleckler			
1942 - 1943	Alfred Gleckler			
1943 - 1944	H. G. Citzler			
1944 - 1946	Wilburn Wagner			
1946 - 1947	H. R. Clark			
1947 - 1952	Leon Wessels			
1952 - 1954	August Runge			
1954 - 1955	Fritz Michalke			
1955 - 1957	Rudy Smrkovsy			
1957 - 1958	Frank Koller			
1958 - 1961	Rudolf J. Kallus			
1961 - 1962	Joe F. Krhovjak			
1962 - 1965	Melvin L. Drumm			
1965 - 1972	Louis J. Pavlas, Jr.			
1972 - 1978	Leon F. Klesel			
1978 - 1979	Milton H. Gabler			
1979 - 1981	Herbert W. Rode			
1981 - 1988	Carl R. Warren			
1988 - 1989	Keenan Carstens			
1989 - 1993	Eugene J. Krupala			
1993 - 1994	Elroy Dieringer			
1994 - 1995	Royce O. Brauner			

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SECOND	VICE	COMMA	NDER
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1923		Valentine Vlcek
1924		Herbert Schulz
1925 -	1927	E. J. Parma
1935 -	1936	Alfred Gleckler
1936 -	1943	Charles J. Blaschke
1943 -	1946	Emil Boening
1946 -	1947	Charles J. Blaschke
1947 -	1952	Rudy Smrkovsky
1952 -	1954	Fritz Michalke
1954 -	1964	Edwin Neumayr
1964 -	1966	Leon F. Klesel
1966 -	1967	Edwin W. J. Janacek
1967 -	1973	Leon F. Klesel
1973 -	1978	Emil J. Pesek
1978 -	1979	Herbert W. Rode
1979 -	1981	Robert H. Stoner
1981 -	1984	Leeroy Nelson
1984 -	1989	Leroy Hoffmann
1989 -	1991	Carl R. Warren
1991 -	1994	Keenan Carstens
1994 -	1995	Royce O. Brauner

THIRD VICE COMMANDER

1935	-	1936	Charles J. Blaschke
1936	-	1937	Alfred Gleckler
1937	-	1945	Chas. Schenk
1945	-	1946	Charles J. Blaschke
1946		1947	Alfred Gleckler
1947	-	1948	Arthur Strobel

ADJUTANT	
1919 - 1922	F. W. Ueckert
1923	Rudolph J. Roeder
1924	Melvin C. Dippel; Dr. G. O. Maxwell
1925	Rudolph J. Roeder
1926 - 1927	Alfred P. Moser
1928	Henry J. Schaefer
1929	Alfred P. Moser
1930	Melvin C. Dippel
1930 - 1933	Rudolph J. Roeder
1933 - 1934	F. W. Ueckert
1934 - 1935	Alfred Flocke
1935 - 1938	Rudolph J. Roeder
1938 - 1939	Ed. Kyle; Carl Huser
1939 - 1943	Carl Huser
1943 - 1944	Alfred Flocke
1944 - 1946	Rudy Smrkovsky
1946 - 1947	Fred Strauss
1947 - 1948	S. Å. Cogan
1948 - 1950	Arthur Strobel
1950 - 1951	Arthur Strobel; W. A. Farek, Jr.; Ivan Hrncir
1951 - 1952	Arthur Strobel
1952 - 1953	Julius Kalich
1953 - 1960	Joe F. Krhovjak
1960 - 1961	Leo Jares
1961 - 1962	Leo Jares; Charles Roeder
1962 - 1986	Arthur J. Graf
1986 - 1988	Louis F. Nitschke
1988 - 1991	Dorothy Strunk
1991 - 1993	W. A. Farek, Jr.
1993 - 1995	Eugene J. Krupala
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ASSISTANT ADJU	
1925	Henry Schaefer
1926 - 1927	Fred Ueckert
1928	Alfred P. Moser
1929	Rudolph J. Roeder
1930 - 1932	Walter Schaefer
1932 - 1933	Fred Ueckert
1937 - 1938	Fritz Michalke
1938 - 1939	Fred Ueckert
1942 - 1943	Joe Stahl
1943 - 1944	Frank Koller
1944 - 1945	Reinhardt J. Winkler
1945 - 1946	Robert Vogt
1946 - 1947	Leon Wessels
1947 - 1952	Wilburn Wagner
1953 - 1954	Julius Kalich

FINANCE OFFICE	<u>IR</u>
1920 - 1922	Rudolph Seeberger Treasurer
1923	Melvin C. Dippel Treasurer
1924	Emil Schulz Treasurer
1925 - 1953	Emil Schulz
1953 - 1954	W. A. Farek, Jr.
1954 - 1955	W. A. Farek, Jr.; Leon Wessels
1955 - 1956	Leon Wessels
1956 - 1960	Jerome J. Holub
1960 - 1962	Arthur G. Graf
1062 - 1070	Jerome J. Holub
1979 - 1995	Emil W. Frietsch
CHAPLAIN	
1921 - 1922	
1923	Kessler Boettcher; Fred Schindler
1924 - 1925	
1926 - 1927	
1928	Willie J. Schaefer
1929	Walter Schaefer
1930 - 1931	
1931 - 1934	
1934 - 1935	
1935 - 1939	
1939 - 1942	
1942 - 1943	F. W. Ueckert
1943 - 1944	E. J. Parma
1945 - 1947	Rev. A. C. Peterson
1947 - 1948	
1948 - 1950	Grover Gleckler
1950 - 1952	
1952 - 1954	
1954 - 1956	
1956 - 1957	Rev. Ernest V. May
	Wilburn Wagner
1961 - 1964	Rev. Fred Lehrer, Jr.
1964 - 1965	Benno Nierlich
1965 - 1967	Rev. William F. Halata
1967 - 1969	Rev. Thomas N. Ward
1969 - 1979	Benno Nierlich
1979 - 1981	Carl R. Warren
1981 - 1984	Victor J. Frietsch
1984 - 1992	Rev. William F. Halata
1992 - 1994	Leroy Lebeda Louis F. Nitschke
1994 - 1995	DOUTS L. MICSCHKG

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN 1925 - 1927 F. W. Ueckert

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

1920			Fred Kautske
1921	-	1922	Alex Sengelmann
1923			Edwin D. McClean
1924	-	1927	Willie J. Schaefer
1928			Emil Solansky
1929			Henry Gunderlach
1930			Emil Solansky
1931	-	1933	Alfred Gleckler
1933	-	1934	Fritz Prilop
1934	-	1935	Ed Janek
1935	-	1939	Willie Heerssen
1939	-	1941	Joe Pesek
1941	-	1943	H. G. Citzler
1943	-	1945	Joe Stahl
1945	-	1946	Fritz Michalke
1946	-	1947	Oscar Strobel
1947		1950	Fritz Michalke
1950	-	1951	Leon F. Klesel
1951	-	1954	Fred E. Hightower
1954	-	1958	Benno Nierlich
1958	-	1959	Fred E. Hightower
1959	-	1970	Norbert Mendel
1970	-	1988	Erwin A. Dieringer
1988	-	1995	Adolf A. Ulrich, Jr.

HISTORIAN

1935 - 1936	Charles J. Blaschke
1936 - 1937	Walter Schaefer
1937 - 1938	Charles Friedrich
1938 - 1939	H. R. Clark
1939 - 1942	Walter Schaefer
1942 - 1945	William A. Farek
1945 - 1947	Joe Stahl
1947 - 1948	Alvin J. Klesel
1948 - 1949	Vernon Blohm
1949 - 1952	Frank Koller
1952 - 1956	Joe Rybak
1956 - 1961	Bennie Hrcek
1961 - 1964	James Stanzel
1964 - 1989	Robert Vogt
1989 - 1993	Norman C. Krischke
1993 - 1995	W. A. Farek, Jr.

SERVICE OFFICER

1923			Valentine Vlcek
1924			Walter Schaefer
1928			Walter Schaefer
1929	-	1931	Joe Stahl
1931		1933	Frank Koller
1933	-	1934	William A. Farek
1934		1954	Ray F. Kusey
1954	-	1956	William A. Farek
1956		1975	Ray F. Kusey
1975	-	1980	Leo T. Jahn
1980	-	1981	Leeroy Nelson
1981		1991	Jerome J. Holub
1991		1995	Jerome M. Sassin, Sr.

ASSISTANT SERVICE OFFICER

1928			Ray F. Kusey
1947		1948	Rudy Smrkovsky
1948	-	1952	Benno Nierlich

CHILD WELFARE OFFICER

1937 -	1938	Ray F. Kusey
1938 -	1941	Herman Kainer
1941 -	1942	Robert Vogt
1942 -	1948	H. G. Citzler
1948 -	1952	Oscar Strobel

LIASON OFFICER 1931 - 1932 Alfred Gleckler

DISTRICT NO. 9 COMMANDERS

1942 -	- 1943	H. M. Brouilette	Bellville	#115
1943 -	- 1944			
1944 -	- 1945			
1945 -	- 1946	V. K. LaFarge		#265
1946 -	- 1947			
1947 -	- 1949	J. H. Jones	Victoria	#166
	- 1950	Wm. A. Cline	Wharton	# 87
	- 1951	O. P. Austin, Jr.	Victoria	#166
	- 1953	R. Paul Martin		#463
	- 1955	Ray A. Pierce	El Campo	#251
	- 1957	Mac P. Copeland	Richmond	#567
	- 1959	Melvin C. Motal	El Campo	#251
	- 1961	Ben Reue	Rosenberg	#271
	- 1963	James D. Rothermel	Ganado	#346
	- 1965	Wesley F. Oberhoff	Needville	#350
	- 1967	Jack V. Sidwell		#265
	- 1969	Steve L. Fay	San Leon	#291
	- 1970	Herbert F. Rode	Schulenburg	#143
	- 1973	Alden C. Bailey	San Leon	#291
	- 1975	Eugene E. Valigura	El Campo	#251
	- 1977	C. E. "Jim" Greene	Texas City	# 89
	- 1979	Michael L. Reid	Alvin	#129
	- 1981	Charles E. Sonnatag, Jr.	Texas City	# 89
	- 1983	Henry S. Leake	San Leon	#291
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	- 1987	Kenneth R. Jan	Rosenberg	#271
	- 1988	Milton H. Gabler	Schulenburg	#143
	- 1989	Milton H. Gabler	Flatonia	# 94
	- 1991	Israel B. Tames	Victoria	#166
	- 1993	Anthony W. Moore	Victoria	#166
1993 -	- 1994	George Kirn	Blessing	#649