

Let me know what
you plan to do
with the pictures?

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In dredging through my many
notes - I feel we should record
some of his reported deeds -

Dear Arlen

How did the pictures come out - were you able to
clearly identify James Chestyphus and Pleasant?

Did the picture of Benjamin E. print out as
large satisfactorily - you know when I was growing up with
Ben" was the most talked about one of the older Coy Chow

It was the common sense, practical, reasonable
valuable decisions he made - no shoot outs, or acts of
bravado that were told and retold by the fireplace at the
old Coy home at Arroyo Cobalto - or Long Meadows, or Coy
Cavate, or the old Brown House, or the Trading Post, or
Coy Ford on Arroyo la Lucina - It was known by all of
these names as well as many others. Joe B and I were
talking at Chestnut about all of the stories we heard when
we were growing up, the wise wish that we had not got
too more details from the people family and others.

who come by to visit and talk and maybe meet &
are to get one of these fabulous meals prepared by
"marthy" Jane - my Aunt's loved Grand mother - who
called the whole when "the chips were down" while "Pete"
just stressed his beard and "calculated on the manner in
which to proceed."

In a quiet, firm manner, Benjamin E. Cox, met and traded
with the German Colony at Fredericksburg after Prince Solovna had
deserted the Colony, he traded them Corn, wheat, hides, horses and iron
munition, saddles, bottles, raw hide ropes and many other useful
items, that helped the Colony survive through their long hard year

My Uncle Jim Cox told me often about the many kind things
said by the Germans during his year spent in the 1860-70
when he worked cattle driver with his brother "Pete" Cox - the
of the Perswader - old "Cap" Anderson who married 2 - 1.

Bexar County Area in 1855 to Langdon County Area
sold "Plear" Cox of the Supplies delivered by Benjamin
E. Cox to the defender of the Alamo from October 1835 to
February 26, 1835, the last delivery consisted of about 600
lbs. shelled corn, 300 lbs. wheat, 500 lbs of jerked beef and
24 good horses, many of these supplies were never paid for, the
refusal of Sam Houston to pay for these items used by the
supplies to the Alamo defender prolonged the ill feelings
that had existed for several years between Solomon Cox and
his family and Sam Houston and his crowd both Texan and
Texan as well as in the Arkansas Territory, now in 1830

Solomon Cox and Sam Houston had that famous debate or argument
concerning the true intentions of Sam Houston and his Texan
see crowd toward Texas - old I saw Stuart who assisted
Stuart's Texan, the place where the Texas troops place,
in telling his story of the event said "Sol Cox a small
man, and well educated, in calm, firm voice stood face to
face with Sam Houston a No. 1 lion, of a man whose

loud O'Brien was used. Permeated with vulgarity
and cursing and threats, ~~at~~ the end of the debate Cox
was greeted with deafening applause.

Benjamin E. Cox it has been said took no active part in
the feud between - Houston and Cox - However Benjamin E.
Cox did openly differ with Stephen F. Austin over the treat-
ment of most Texas settlers that a part of Austin over Cal-
vary. Cox charged Austin with unfair dealing, He also charged
Austin with favoritism toward David Greer in particular,

This led to the founding of the Society of the Friends of
Husbandry June 1834 at Long Meadows in Lampasas County.

Benjamin E. Cox kept a school to the early process in the
best method of preparing for self defense of the settlers. He also
organized the first Ranging Party or Company in 1817-18.

in later years he headed rescue parties with food and arms
to Comanche County - a deep thanksgiving - level headed man
He gave much to Texas - In return he received little.