

## Dedication Ceremony Tuesday November 14, 1995

## **BRYAN & COLLEGE STATION** INTERURBAN RAILWAY

BRYAN MAYOR J.T. MALONEY AND THE CITY'S RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED THE BRYAN & COLLEGE INTERURBAN RAILWAY COM-PANY IN 1909. THE COMPANY WAS CREATED TO ESTABLISH AN INTERURBAN RAILWAY SERVICE BE-TWEEN BRYAN, A TOWN OF ABOUT 4,000 PEOPLE, AND THE TEXAS AGRICULTURAL & MECHANICAL COLLEGE (TEXAS A&M), WITH A STUDENT AND FAC-ULTY POPULATION OF ABOUT 750.

DAILY SERVICE CONSISTING OF TEN 30-MINUTE TRIPS BEGAN IN 1910 WITH PASSENGER TROLLEYS AND GASOLINE POWERED RAIL GARS. ALONG THE ROUTE LANDOWNERS BUILT RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVI-SIONS AND SMALL FARMS, AND TO PROVIDE AN ATTRACTION THE CITY CREATED DELLWOOD PARK.

FREIGHT SERVICE BEGAN IN 1918 TO HELP BOLSTER AN OPERATION BESET WITH LABOR PROBLEMS AND THE LOSS OF PASSENGERS TO AUTOMOBILE RIDER-SHIP. IN 1922 THE BRYAN & COLLEGE INTERURBAN RAILWAY WENT INTO RECEIVERSHIP AND IN 1923 ITS ASSETS WERE SOLD AT AUCTION TO THE S.S. HUNTER ESTATE. THE LAST RECORDED TRIP OF THE INTERUR-BAN TOOK PLACE ON APRIL 13, 1923.

DURING ITS 15 YEARS OF OPERATION THE INTERUR-BAN RAILWAY GREATLY INFLUENCED THE COURSE OF BRYAN'S AND COLLEGE STATION'S URBAN DE-VELOPMENT. TODAY THE TWO CITIES MERGE INDIS-TINGUISHABLY AT A POINT ON THE FORMER BRYAN & COLLEGE INTERURBAN RAILWAY ROUTE.

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## The Brazas County Historical Commission cardially invites you to the Dedication Ceremony of the

Bryan & College Interurban Railway

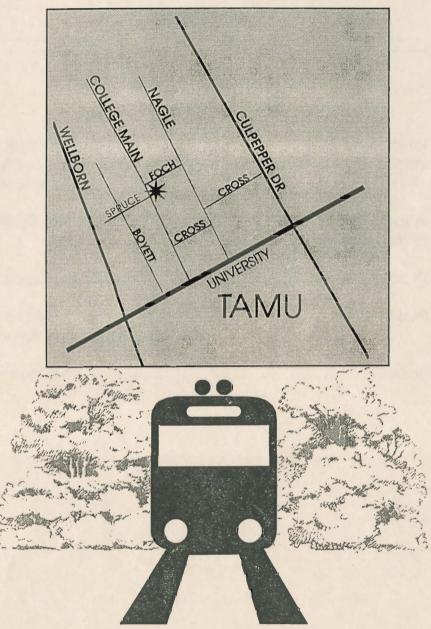
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Tuesday, Navember 14, 1995 10:30 am

> 400 Black, Callege Main Bryan, Texas

## Program

Welcome & Recognition of Guests	Dr. Charles Schultz, Chairman, Brazos County Historical commission
Introductionof the Speaker	Dr. Paul Van Riper
Speaker	Mr. Jack Zubik
Presentation	Cities of College Station and Bryan
Acceptance	Brazos County



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