

Aime Frank Real

In this story, Aime Frank Real talks about his family's long history in Kerr County in the Turtle Creek area. His great-grandfather Caspar Real came to Kerr County with Captain Charles Schreiner in the 1857. It was the Real family who brought the first sheep into the County. Aime Frank tells the stories that his family handed down about ranching in those early days—from dealing with Indians, droughts and coyotes and other predators to how they also benefited from other conditions they found such as good grassland and wild animals including pigs and deer. He remembers one of his first responsibilities on the ranch as a very young child was to ride around and check the cattle for screw “wormies.” From that time, when he could barely sit a horse, and still today, Aime Frank has been actively involved on the Real Ranch. He talks about how today's ranchers have coped with changing economic conditions by expanding their activities to includes youth camps, horse breeding and native and exotic game hunting. Aime Frank still raises sheep, champions in fact, but it's more for pleasure than profit these days, he says.

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Mr. Pampell
Otto Schwethelm
Billie Kellam
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