I want to start my column this week by expressing my appreciation to Monte Small and the Atascosa Health Clinic. They do a fabulous job and are a critical asset to us at this present time. I could go on and on about the services they provide but the main thing to know is that you will not be refused service if you are a low-income person. But, be aware that they take insurance and money and serve all the people of Atascosa County. Monte has built this organization to where they have clinics here (a big one) and clinic in Wilson, Live Oak and McMullen Counties. They recently had a positive covid19 test in their facility and did an exemplary job dealing with it. I would like to send a big thank to them for a continuing job well done!

We are moving into what the CDC is saying is the two most critical weeks of the COVID19 pandemic. Don’t let up. Wear a mask whenever you go out. Keep your distance. Wash your hands often! When you go to the store try to just send one member of the family. If you feel you have symptoms call your health care provider, the urgent care, walk-in clinic or ER. Don’t walk in. They want you to call ahead, they will then direct you to their protocol for diagnosis and treatment.

Pray, pray and pray. We don’t want a significant amount of new cases which would necessitate me having to issue a universal mask and stay at home order.

I just finished listening to the Governor’s conference call for Texas County Judges and City Mayors. I think the Governor is doing a fine job.

Thanks for listening. 😊 We want you to be proud of your county government.

Quote of the week, “Keep your eyes on the stars, but keep your feet on the ground.”

Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America.