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IT'S A WRAP

BATTLE CREEK BRAWL, a Fred Weintraub production, has completed its location shooting. The film stars Jackie Chan, "the new Bruce Lee", and Jose Ferrer as his promoter. Kristine De Bell, Big John Hamilton, Ron Max, and Lenny Montana are also featured. The story is set in Chicago, San Francisco, and the fictitious town of Battle Creek, Texas, during the late 1930's. It concerns a young Kung Fu

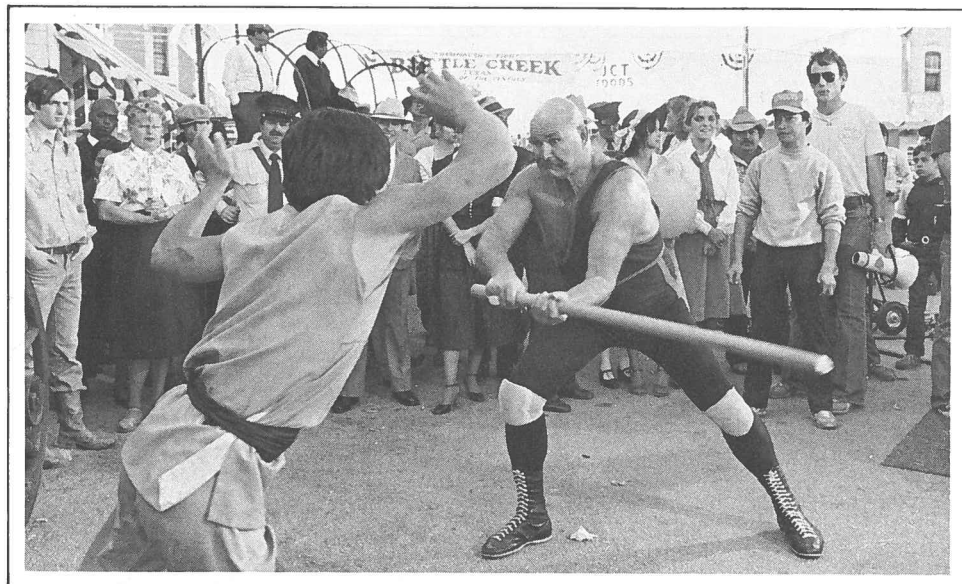
expert who comes to Battle Creek for a winner-take-all fight.

The Chicago scenes were shot in San Antonio. Associate producer, Terry Morse, said that the plans had originally called for the film to be shot in Dallas, but that actor John Hamilton persuaded them to use San Antonio instead. Morse said they were pleased with the location change and the cooperation extended by the people.

Floresville provided the location for the town of Battle Creek. The brawl was filmed at the town square

with members of the local high school band as extras. Galveston was the third location site chosen by the company, doubling for San Francisco's waterfront.

BATTLE CREEK BRAWL had a budget of about \$3 million and used a predominantly Texan crew. Bob Jessup of Dallas was the Director of Photography. This marks the second time that Weintraub has come to Texas to shoot a film. His first Texas film, *OUTLAW BLUES*, was shot in Austin with Peter Fonda and Susan St. James. — Janie Rogers



Cover and left: Jackie Chan and H.B. Haggerty rehearse a fight scene for BATTLE CREEK BRAWL. Below: Bob Jessup of Dallas worked as Director of Photography for the shoot.

