

Fun slated for 'Kids' at Harvest Days

Building around the theme of "Let's Be Kids Again," this year's Harvest Days celebration, will feature a variety of activities guaranteed to please young and old alike.

Those attending can enjoy games, dances, a rodeo, style show, arts and crafts show, county fair, quilt show and more.

This year's celebration kicks off today (Thursday) when exhibitors in the county fair and quilt show are asked to have their entries at the Expo Building between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. A county team roping and youth steer riding event will be held tonight at 7 at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena, kicking off a weekend rodeo.

The arts and crafts show opens Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and fair exhibits will be on display during the same hours.

A nutritional program by Cindy Sides Ebeling, *Eat to Be Well and Happy*, will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the stage in the Expo Building.

A *Crisp Fashions for Fall* style show, featuring fashions from Tots and Teens and Village Shop, both of Dimmitt, will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. on the stage in the Expo Building.

At 5 p.m. Friday, youngsters of all ages are invited to bring their pets—dogs, cats, hamsters, chickens, ducks, cows, or whatever—and compete in the pet show, which will be held east of the Expo Building.

The annual county rodeo will open Friday night at 8 p.m., with a second performance slated for Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets for the rodeo may be purchased in advance from girls competing for the title of "Rodeo Queen" and "Rodeo Princess," and they are \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12. Children under five will be admitted free. Admission at the gate will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

A full slate of activities is planned for Saturday, beginning with the judging of the parade at 9 a.m. Parade participants must be lined up before

their entry can be judged and the line-up locations follow:

TRADITIONALS: Front of Post Office, 205 SE Second St. (police units, color guard of the US Air Force, county sheriff, parade marshal, county judge, Dimmitt Mayor, other officials, Dimmitt Fire Dept.)

BICYCLES: Inside fenced area by C&S Battery and Electric, 300 Southeast Second St.

BOBCAT BAND: C&S Battery and Electric parking lot.

CLUB & ORGANIZATION FLOATS: By Dimmitt Equipment Co., 411 Southeast Second St.

ANTIQUÉ CARS, HOT RODS & CLASSICS: Gary's Engine & Machine, 207 Southeast Second St.

COMMERCIAL FLOATS: Behind C&S Battery and Electric.

RIDING CLUBS & INDIVIDUALS: Southeast Fourth and Belsher in vacant lots one block north of the Expo Building.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT: On Southeast Third, south of Big T
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By Don Nelson

Music must take rank as the highest of the fine arts—as the one which, more than any other, ministers to human welfare.

—Herbert Spencer

Dr. Gene Hemmle, professor emeritus of music at Texas Tech, died Monday in Lubbock at age 78.

He was one of the most inspirational men whose life ever crossed mine.

He had left the Robert Shaw Chorale to become Tech's Music Dept. chairman and choir director only two years before I met him. In the summer of 1951, after my graduation from Dimmitt High, my voice teacher sent me to find him and to audition for a music scholarship.

I found him in a renovated barracks building, teaching a summer music appreciation class. Nearby, the large new music building was under construction.

He excused himself from the class and took me to a practice room, where I sang several of the songs from my senior recital.

After the audition (I got the scholarship), he asked if I'd mind singing *Old Man River* for his class.

"I don't know whether I can hit that G again at the end," I told him.

"That's okay — if you don't, they'll understand," he said.

So, with a 17-year-old's usual apprehension and fear in strange circumstances, I sang it for that college class. I knew none of them. Least of all did I know that my future wife was sitting out there.

I can't remember whether I hit the G or choked.

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Weather

Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.

	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	93	61	.98
Friday	89	63	
Saturday	94	62	
Sunday	94	66	
Monday	96	66	
Tuesday	96	60	.22
Wednesday	82	62	

August Moisture 1.58
1992 Moisture 17.04

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HOW LOW CAN YOU GO?—Limbo participants during Saturday's Hart Days activities include (from left) Holly Dyer, daughter of Suzanna and

Kim Dyer; Jordi Rowland, son of Zinia and Ricky Rowland; and Logan McLain, son of Julie and James McLain.
Photo by Deana McLain

Redistricting problems continue to haunt county

The county will present a second redistricting plan to plaintiffs, who have filed lawsuits challenging the county's redistricting plan and March primary elections.

Attorney Bob Bass, who has been retained by the county, had submitted one redistricting plan to plaintiffs, but Bill Garrett in Dallas (who is counsel for one of the plaintiffs) had rejected the proposal.

"Garrett had indicated to Bass that he knew we had a plan for two minority precincts, so he would not consider a plan for one precinct," said County Attorney Jimmy Davis.

Davis told commissioners at their Monday meeting that Bass had come up with an alternate redistricting plan which targets Pct. 2 as the main minority precinct in Castro County.

After talking with Richard Jerome of the US Justice Dept., Bass drafted a new plan which would have a targeted minority precinct which did not include Coronado

Acres or Azteca Complex, but still achieved a 70% minority population. Davis said Bass felt like a plan along these guidelines would "likely be approved by the Justice Dept."

Proposed Interim Plan #2 which Bass drew up makes Pct. 2 the targeted minority precinct, and "it comes out just a fraction of a percentage point short of the magic figure of 70%," according to Davis.

Under this plan, Pct. 2 would have 69.78% combined minority, Pct. 1 would be left at 58.74%, Pct. 3 would have 28.47% and Pct. 4 would have 41.07%.

"That really is the fairest plan we've had for minorities," said County Judge Polly Simpson.

"Bass wants to present this plan to the plaintiffs first, and if they refuse it, he wants to submit it to the three-judge panel (including US District Judges Mary Lou Robinson of Amarillo and Sam Cummings of Lubbock; and Fifth Circuit Judge Sam Johnson of Austin)," Davis said. "He did indicate that we might

get a decent reception there (federal court)."

If the plan is approved and accepted by the three-judge panel, the main advantage is the county would not have to hold a new election this year, according to Davis.

Proposed Interim Plan #2 does do some things that have not been done in other redistrict plans. Pct. 1, outside of the city of Dimmitt, will pick up some territory west of SH 385 for the first time. Pct. 4 will pick up additional territory to the south, and will pick up part of Pct. 1.

Bass asked commissioners to grant approval for him to present the new plan, known as Proposed Interim Plan #2, to plaintiffs first, then to the federal courts, and finally to the US Justice Dept.

Commissioners voted to grant approval by a 3-1 count, with Pct. 1 Commissioner Harold Smith opposed.

Before commissioners voted
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Schools set registration

Classes to begin Monday, Wednesday

Get ready teachers and students, summer's almost over.

Students in Hart and Nazareth are running out of time to make their final shopping trips for back-to-school supplies, because they will start classes on Monday.

Dimmitt students have a little more time to prepare, but not much — they start back to school Wednesday.

All students will be registering for the 1992-93 year within the next few days.

Dimmitt

Dimmitt High School students will register for school Friday, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Students are asked to enter the school through the main entrance. The school's dress code will be in effect and school pictures will be taken. Students are asked to bring their money for pictures.

Seniors will register from 9 to 10 a.m.; juniors, 10 to 11 a.m.; sophomores, 11 a.m. to 12 noon; and freshmen, 1 to 2 p.m.

Dimmitt Middle School students will register Monday. Students in

the fourth through sixth grades will register between 12:30 and 2 p.m., and these students are asked to enter the school through the middle entrance by the flag pole. Seventh and eighth graders will register from 1 to 2 p.m. and from 2 to 3 p.m., respectively, and they are asked to enter the school through the junior high school auditorium.

Monday is also the registration day for students at Richardson Elementary School. Elementary students should report to the school between 12:30 and 3:30 p.m. and first-time students are asked to bring birth certificates, shot records and social security numbers.

At Dimmitt, new teachers will have an in-service today (Thursday) and Friday, and teacher workdays are set for Monday and Tuesday. The first day of classes for students will be Wednesday.

Hart

Pre-kindergarten through sixth grade students in Hart will register between 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon on Monday and although other Hart

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Hart voters approve government change

Hart residents voted to change the makeup of Hart's city government Saturday, then elected three new officials to the governing board.

Hart citizens approved changing the city's government from a three-member commission to a six-member aldermanic form of government with a mayor and five aldermen.

It was the first change in Hart's city government since the city was incorporated in 1956.

Hart voters had petitioned the city for the change in government earlier this year. That resulted in Saturday's election. The change was approved by a 101-69 vote.

Voters also selected Tony Leibel, L.C. McLain and Todd Pebsworth from among 10 candidates to fill the vacant seats on the city's governing board. Others on the ballot were Ann Pevehouse, Roger Velasquez, Martha Gonzales, Elodia Rodriguez, Maria Flores, Patsy Warren and J.C. Miller.

Leibel was the largest vote-getter with 105 while McLain drew 94 votes and Pebsworth tallied 77. Others receiving votes were Velasquez, 50; Gonzales, 46; Warren, 45; Miller, 21; and Flores and Pevehouse, 2 each.

The new aldermen, along with Mayor Joe Bailey and current city commissioners Ismael Carrasco and William Bell, were sworn in Tuesday under the new form of government.

DISD reviews district plan

The District Plan for the Dimmitt schools for the coming school year includes four main goals, and spells out ways to meet those goals.

The plan was reviewed by the members of the Dimmitt school board at their Monday night meeting.

The four goals are:

- A well-balanced and appropriate curriculum will be provided to all students.

- All parents and community members will be full partners in the education of our children.

- Qualified and effective personnel will be attracted and retained.

- All students will be expected to meet or exceed appropriate educational performance standards.

The goal of involving parents and community members in the educational process will be met in

part through the Site-Based Decision Making Plan, which also was presented at Monday's meeting. That plan calls for parents and community members to help make decisions about students' education.

Another way of involving parents will include the liaison person who will visit in the homes of students who are having difficulty in school or who are judged to be at risk of dropping out.

The district plan states that many parents of at-risk students do not participate in school activities or demonstrate an interest in their child's academic performance. The schools want to help parents encourage students' attendance, effort, and interest.

In the area of performance standards, efforts will be made to im-

prove student scores on the TAAS tests, with special emphasis in areas that reflected low student scores in the most recent school year.

System-wide problems were revealed in the areas of problem solving (math) and elaboration (writing).

The district plan calls for meeting the state goal for the percentage of students who demonstrate mastery of the TAAS tests. The Texas Education Agency has set a goal for 90% of students at all levels to be able to pass the tests in all subject areas (math, reading, and writing). For the 1991-92 school year, Dimmitt's figures show that an average of 69.2% of third graders passed reading, 44.4% passed writing and 64.5% passed math. Fifth graders posted 49.5% who

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THREE INJURED — Brandi Rice and Mitzie Heller of Dimmitt were the occupants of this 1986 Chevy Friday night when it was driven into the

path of a pickup driven by Tod Hatla of Dimmitt. (See Police Calls on Page 12 of this issue for more information.)
Photo by Jimmie Chapman

On the Go

Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Serena Teague celebrated her birthday last week with visits, cards and many telephone calls. Her sister-in-law, Laura Jones, and her son Billy from Childress, were here to enjoy the day. Serena received calls from California to North Carolina and from several states in-between.

Jettie Sheffy entertained her two grandsons from Mena, Arkansas, and their families over the weekend. James Gregg, Lissa, Ami and Dusty; Tim Gregg and his girl friend, Vanessa, who announced they are planning to marry September 5.

Lou Shaw, a niece and her daughter Carolyn, from Valigo, Calif., with a grandson, David were here. They were going on to Oklahoma for a school alumni reunion August 8.

Jetti and Fern Morgan went to Lubbock for a bridal shower for Fern's granddaughter. She has her wedding set for August 22—so they will be traveling again.

Bernice Hill was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. Mattie Swirezynski won high score, and Emily Clingsmith won second high score. Others playing were Dugan Butler, Ina Rae Cates, Fern Dickey, Virginia Crider, Susie Reeves, Cleo Forson, Dude Mc-Lauren, Louise Mears, Oleda Schumacher, Edith Graef, Neva Hickey, Helen Braafladt and Johnny Vannoy.

Gary and Yvonne Huffhines attended the Hawkins-Vaughn family reunion that was held July 24-26 at Haskell. About 50 family members were present. Those attending came from Panhandle, Austin, Dimmitt, Amarillo, Lubbock, Dallas, Anson and Haskell. The adults enjoyed playing "42" and a "cake walk" was held for the youngsters. The family auction was held on Saturday night. Hand craft items were brought and auctioned and the proceeds will be used to defray cost of the next reunion. Yvonne Huffhines' mother makes a quilt each year and chances are sold—the quilt was won by Paula Bennett of Amarillo this year.

Avie Lewis called me from Georgetown to give a report of her family. Ronna and her husband, Pat, are living in Houston and Ronna will be teaching reading improvement in the seventh and eighth grades in the Alief School System. Kerry Lewis is a 2nd Lieutenant in the Air Force in Los Angeles. Avie attended a Vocal Impact course at the University of Oklahoma and will be teaching in Jerrall this year.

Several from Dimmitt attended the funeral of my cousin, Guy Kelley, Sr. in Earth last Wednesday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. Besides visiting will all the relatives, we visited with Mrs. Sanders, sister of Butch Strickland and John Schultz, son of Joe and Jerry Schultz of Dimmitt. John is the Youth Director at the First Baptist Church at Earth.

Out of town visitors at the Museum last week were Tod and Wyneth Moore of Wichita Falls; Jane Tripp, Clyde and Nancy Tisdale from Odessa; Barry and Helen Tisdale from Midland; Hally and Quinn Fuller Thomas from Crowth, Okla.; and Janis and Matt Cowley from Earth. They were all in Dimmitt for the funeral of Jim Elder.

Also viewing the museum were Chris Huffhines of Canyon who was visiting his grandparents, Gary and Yvonne Huffhines; Gene and Kathy Veals from El Paso, who were visiting the Clarence Boyds—their daughter has spent several weeks in Dimmitt with her grandparents; and Ronnie and Connie Bruce and Kevin from Muldrow, Okla. They were in Dimmitt to see Blackie and Mary Blackwood—Connie's dad and Blackie are brothers.

Sylvia Perez and her daughters, Erica and Karina from Pharr, spent a week in Dimmitt visiting relatives. They came to see me on Saturday afternoon. Sylvia and I worked in the county library several years ago.

Bill and Mary Lynn Lankford of Amarillo hosted a brunch in their home on Sunday morning honoring their daughter, Lauren Feazell of Houston. Geneva Dennis, Irene Carpenter and I went for all the good food and fellowship.

Oleta Gollehon made a business trip to Ardmore, Okla., and then on

to Dallas to visit her daughter and husband Kathy and Johnny Poer. They always have fun when they get together. Kathy has a new hot tub and they enjoyed that. They ate at a new Pappadeaux restaurant in Plano. The big excitement was the exhibit of Catherine the Great that was showing in the Centennial Building at Fair Park in Dallas. This is a story of the German Princess who became the most Russian of all Empresses, perhaps the most powerful woman of all time. There was an hour and a half lecture and then over 300 extraordinary pieces of art and historical artifacts in this major exhibition of Catherine's life and times. There were seven areas of exhibits of diamonds, crowns, and Russian culture, history, artistry, and craftsmanship during the reign of Catherine the Great. In the east exhibition room was the State Coronation Carriage that weighs two tons.

Debra Ball recently took a trip to Kansas City to see the Joe Higgs family. Joe, Joyce, and Brian met her at the airport to return home to a wonderful meal with Cara and her husband and daughter, Bailey. Debra, Joyce, Mandy and Brian went to the show during the weekend, seeing "Sister Act." It was a very enjoyable show for all. Mandy and her husband and son, Daniel, were over for supper on Monday. There was lots of watching the Olympics and visiting. The Higgs are working hard and enjoying their grandchildren. They have one granddaughter and one grandson and a new one due in December. Brian is 16 now and will be a junior in high school this coming year. They all say "hello" to all their friends!

Jane O'Kelly has been the honoree of two parties this past week. Her tennis buddies held a Mexican supper following their tennis match on Tuesday at the home of Linda Langford. Their tennis was interrupted by the fire at the Killingsworth building and the rain. Attending were Kay Kellar, Janet Hand, Margaret Parsons, Linda and Amber Langford, Deanne Clark, Doricell Davis and Jane. Margaret Parsons was also honored for her upcoming birthday.

The Chancel Choir gathered before choir practice on Wednesday night to share cold cuts and a giant cookie with Jane. Each member signed a color t-shirt so Jane could remember everyone. The group also welcomed James Baker after his recent burn accident.

Jane's Sunday School Class honored her on Friday night and

Arts and crafts show set for Harvest Days

A variety of arts and crafts items will be on display this weekend at the Expo Building.

The arts and crafts show will be held today (Thursday) through Saturday at the Castro County Expo Building in Dimmitt as part of the Harvest Days celebration.

Exhibitors may set up their booths from 1 to 5 p.m. (today) Thursday or at 8 a.m. on Friday. Organizers of the event ask that they be notified if an exhibitor will set up late.

Booths should be cleared from the Expo Building between 5 and 6 p.m. on Saturday.

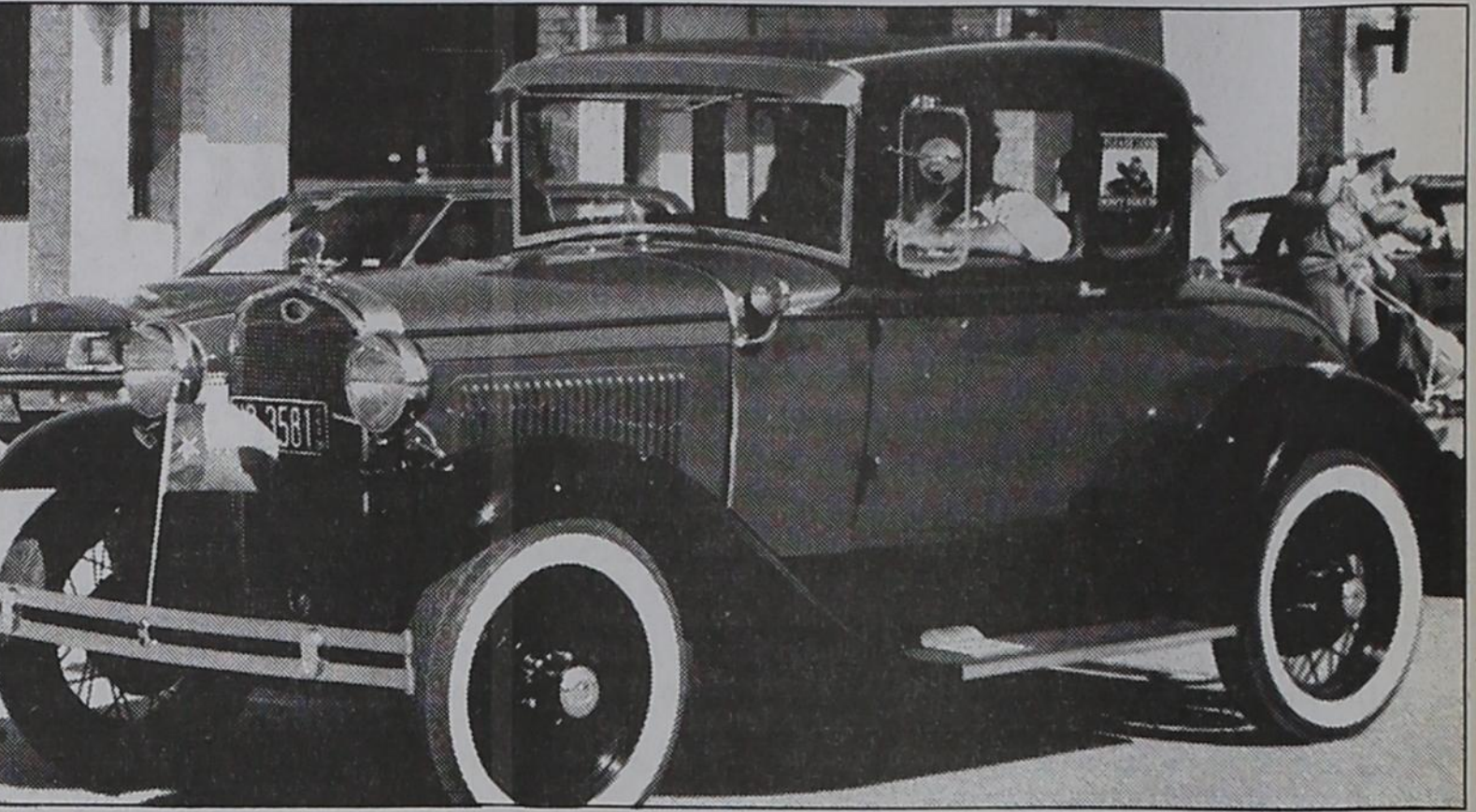
All participants will be responsible for their booth and its property. The Castro County Fair Association will have a night watchman on duty Friday evening.

For more information about the show call Delores Heller at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office, 647-2524.

SEARS

Despite the fact that Sears agent stores in Muleshoe and Friona have been closed, the Sears merchant store in Dimmitt is **not** closing. On the contrary, we have rearranged our store to enable us to stock and display a wider selection of appliances, because we know our customers frequently need refrigerators, freezers, washers and dryers, etc. on short notice.

Come by and give us your opinion on the changes we have made. Look over our selection of standard and side by side refrigerators and other appliances.



FIRST-PLACE ANTIQUE VEHICLE IN HART DAYS PARADE SATURDAY
... Jimmy Ray Davis' Niagara Blue 1931 Ford Model A Coupe

Photo by Deana McLain

Percy and Margaret Parsons celebrated their birthdays with stuffed potatoes at the Bill Clarks on Friday. Janice Richards, of Bovina, joined the group also.

Bill and Deanne Clark went to Quanah to a Kings High class reunion Saturday. The country school no longer exists, but Bill had a good time greeting former classmates, relatives and friends. Shirley Wise is recuperating nicely after her surgery last week. Martha Dannevik also had surgery this week. George Sides' father, of Lubbock, had minor surgery and came through at age 92 nicely.

Carinne Burke, Bobby Dodd, and Judy Birdwell visited Juanita (Warnock) Strelbel at Bess Whitaker's in Hereford Sunday, August 2. The four old school day friends ate lunch at the Sizzling Stockade then went back to Bess's to talk more about old times and new times.

Juanita called Carinne to meet her and Bess at K'Bob's in Dimmitt for lunch on Tuesday the 4th and brought old photo albums.

Bess and the Hispanic lady who helps her went back to Hereford. Bess uses a wheel chair and a walker.

Juanita stayed and she and Carinne went and visited Oleada Hance. Juanita's sister Sue was married to Harry Jo Hance, Oleada's son who passed away recently in California.

Carinne took her back to Hereford that evening. She flew back to San Jose, California on Wednesday afternoon.

It was very nice of Bess Whitaker to share visiting time with all of us after so many years.

I.T. event planned for Harvest Days

The Idiotic Things (I.T.) competition will return to the Castro County Harvest Days lineup this year and anyone who wishes to enter a team should call the Delores Heller at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office at 647-2524.

The competition will feature several "idiotic" relay events and will be held Saturday at the Expo Building.

For more information, call Heller at the Chamber office.

Antiques to be stars of car show

The Dimmitt Alumni Technology Association (DATA) will hold its second annual benefit car show and swap meet during the county's Harvest Days celebration on Saturday.

Cars entered will participate in the parade, which begins at 9 a.m. at 200 Southeast Second Street in Dimmitt.

The show will be held at the parking lot of the First State Bank of Dimmitt, 201 N. Broadway. Show hours will be immediately following the parade (at about 11:30 a.m.) to 6 p.m.

Car classifications will include street rod, early antique (up to 1932), late antique (1933 to 1949), '50s classics, '60s classics, '70s classics, muscle cars, mustangs, camaros, stock trucks, modified trucks, mini trucks and special interest.

Trophies will be presented for first, second and third place entries in each classification and winners will be announced at 5:30 p.m.

Admission to the show will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for children ages seven to 12, with children under seven admitted free.

Meals will be provided for drivers of the antique vehicles, and hamburgers will be sold to the public.

Transportation from the bank to other activities which are being planned around town will be provided.

CPS needs volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help take up part of the load for Child Protective Services workers of the Texas Dept. of Human Services.

Individuals are needed to act as a big brother, big sister, or a sponsoring family. Help is also needed with filing and other office work.

Donations that would be helpful include money, clothing, furniture or storage room for these items.

Occasionally transportation is needed for sick persons who need to go to the doctor.

Those interested in volunteering or making donations may contact local CPS caseworker Donna Stump.

We Salute Kids and Priorities

This poem, which was printed in the April 16, 1970, issue of the *News*, ties in with our Harvest Days theme, "Let's Be Kids Again," but really is appropriate anytime. It was written by Helen M. Young, and was submitted to the *News* by County Extension Agent Irene Keating.

CHILDREN WON'T WAIT

There is a time to anticipate the baby's coming, a time to consult a doctor;

A time to plan a diet and exercise, a time to gather a layette.

There is a time to wonder at the ways of God, knowing this is the destiny for which I was created,

A time to dream of what this child may become,

A time to pray that God will teach me how to train this child which I bear.

A time to prepare myself that I might nurture his soul.

But soon there comes the time for birth,

For children won't wait.

There is a time for night feedings, and colic and formulas.

There is a time for rocking and a time for walking the floor.

A time for patience and self-sacrifice,

A time to show him that his new world is a world of love and goodness and dependability. There is a time to ponder what he is—not a pet nor toy, but a person, an individual—a soul made in God's image.

There is a time to consider my stewardship. I cannot possess him.

He is not mine. I have been chosen to care for him, to love him, to enjoy him, to nurture him, and to answer to God.

I resolve to do my best for him,

For children don't wait.

There is a time to hold him close and tell him the sweetest story ever told;

A time to show him God in earth and sky and flower, to teach him to wonder and reverence.

There is a time to leave the dishes, to swing him in the park,

To run a race, to draw a picture, to catch a butterfly, to give him happy comradeship.

There is a time to point the way, to teach his infant lips to pray,

To teach his heart to love God's word, to love God's day,

For children don't wait.

There is a time to sing instead of grumble, to smile instead of frown,

To kill away the tears and laugh at broken dishes.

There is a time to share with him my best in attitudes—a love of life, a love of God, a love of family.

There is a time to answer his questions, all his questions,

Because there may come a time when he will not want my answers.

There is a time to teach him so patiently to obey, to put his toys away.

There is a time to teach him the beauty of duty, the habit of Bible study, the joy of worship at home, the peace of prayer,

For children don't wait.

There is a time to watch him bravely go to school, to miss him underfoot.

And to know that other minds have his attention, but that I will be there to answer his call when he comes home,

And listen eagerly to the story of his day.

There is a time to teach him independence, responsibility, self-reliance,

To be firm but friendly, to discipline with love,

For soon, too soon, there will be a time to let him go, the apron strings untied,

For children won't wait.

There is a time to treasure every fleeting minute of his childhood,

Just 18 precious years to inspire and train him.

I will not exchange this birthright for a mess of pottage called social position or business or professional reputation, or pay check.

An hour of concern today may save years of heartache tomorrow,

The house will wait, the dishes will wait, the new room can wait,

But children don't wait.

There will be a time when there will be no slamming of doors, no toys on the stairs, no childhood quarrels, no fingerprints on the wallpaper.

Then may I look back with joy and not regret.

There will be a time to concentrate on service outside my home;

On visiting the sick, the bereaved, the discouraged, the untaught;

To give myself to the "least of these."

There will be a time to look back and know that these years of motherhood were not wasted.

I pray there will be a time to see him an upright and an honest man, loving God and serving all.

God give me wisdom to see today is my day with my children.

That there is no unimportant moment in their lives.

May I know that no other career is so precious,

No other work so rewarding, no other task so urgent.

May I not defer it or neglect it,

But by thy Spirit accept it gladly, joyously, and by thy grace realize that the time is short and my time is now,

For children won't wait!

—Helen M. Young

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Patricia Acker

Acker attends Lions camp

Patricia Acker, 9, the daughter of Kevin and Christine Acker, of Nazareth recently attended the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville.

Sponsored by the Nazareth Lions Club, Acker rode horses, went swimming and even camped out under the stars while enjoying fun and fellowship with other children.

Located on 500 acres of hill country, the camp serves children who are visually or hearing impaired or have physical disabilities, ages 7 through 16. Camp programs are adapted, if necessary, so that everyone may participate. A well-trained staff supervises each camp activity at a ratio of one counselor to two campers.

The Texas Lions Camp is a nonprofit organization funded by individuals interested in providing challenging programs to handicapped youths. This service is provided free of charge to eligible children.

For more information, or if you know of someone who can benefit from these programs, call your local Lions Club or write: Texas Lions Camp, P.O. Box 247, Kerrville, TX 78029-0247 (512-896-8500).

NHS to hold ice cream social

A "get-acquainted" party to introduce the 1992-93 Nazareth Swifts football team will be held Sunday afternoon at Swift Stadium.

The afternoon's activities begin at 2:30 p.m. with a "picture-taking session," and will conclude with an ice-cream social, scheduled to begin at 4.

Everyone is invited to attend.

K of C breakfast scheduled Sunday

The Nazareth Knights of Columbus will be serving a breakfast with "all the fixings" Sunday from 7:30 a.m. until noon.

A breakfast of sausage, eggs, pancakes, biscuits and all the trimmings will be served at the Nazareth Community Hall with proceeds going to benefit West Texas State University's Catholic Youth Center.

Prices will be \$5 for adults, children six and over \$3, and children under six will eat free.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Nazareth

By Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Gerber family reunion — consisting of the Matt, Pete, Mike, Tony and Frank families gathered Saturday morning August 8 in Umbarger at the Parish Hall. 435 relatives enjoyed a delicious Pot Luck dinner—enough food to feed an army.

After the meal, John Loyall of Pete Gerber's family emceed a very enjoyable program. Tony Gerber of Nazareth was the oldest one present at 87 and Andrea Rose of Amarillo was the youngest at 11 weeks of age, Frances Gerber of Umbarger had the most grandchildren (41) and 16 great-grandchildren. Everyone signed their name to a number as they came in for a special door prize along with several hundred other prizes for most everyone. Donna Gerber Charanza won the door prize—a very nice 3-piece set of luggage. The prizes were all compliments of John and Jennie Loyall and their daughter, Susan Best of Kingfisher, Okla. Jerome Gerber of Carlsbad, N.M., was in charge of games for the children and adults during the afternoon.

During the evening and on into the night, many enjoyed a sing-along and sausage and sauerkraut sandwiches. A special thanks to Gene Gerber of Odessa who organized the reunion the past several months with the capable help of family contact persons, Bea Hoelting, Regina Hoelting and John Loyall and especially Shirley Skarke of Umbarger and her family who organized everything in the kitchen and hall. It was a great reunion and we're looking forward to the next one.

Father Neal Dee, pastor of Holy Family Church has returned from a vacation that included a family reunion in New London, Ohio. There he found his thirty-three year old cousin, Tim Dee, who is president of the Parish Council, overseeing the renovation of the parish church according to the norms of the Second Vatican Council. Masses, meanwhile, are in the practice gym of the public school complex. Later, Father Neal and his mother Nedra went sight-seeing in New Orleans. From a hotel in the French Quarter, they enjoyed many activities. They browsed through shops along Canal Street and at the Riverwalk on the banks of the Mississippi River. Here they boarded the steamboat "Natchez." Dining at restaurants featuring cajun cooking was a special treat, including breakfast at Brennans. They also toured the San Francisco Plantation in nearby Reserve, Louisiana.

Esther and her son Kevin Braddock of McKinney and her other sons, Kenneth and ViAnn and children of Ennis; Clifford and Kim and children of Van Alstyne; Dick and Mary and children of Combine; John and Tanja and family; and Allen and Amy and family of Celina all came for the Gerber reunion in Umbarger on Saturday.

Friday evening they all gathered at Carl and Mary Kleman's home with their family, Jim and Evelyn Ball and family of Plainview, Urban and Fred Ball of Nazareth. Saturday evening Esther and her family also attended the Hubert Braddock family reunion at the

home of Leonard and Jimmie Schulte.

The families of Norma Schacher, Vernon Braddock, Evelyn Rossi, Jimmie Schulte, Nellie Wilhelm and Pat Braddock were all present. Of these six children born to Hubert and Joy, five are living, Vernon died in 1988. There are 46 grandchildren and 61 great-grandchildren. Also attending were Joy's two brothers and wives, Arnold and Katie Brockman and Ernie and Florene Brockman, also one sister, Mattie and her husband Ray Swirczynski. A wonderful evening of fellowship, games and good food were enjoyed by all.

The Nazareth Community Center Softball Tournament was enjoyed this past weekend. There were 13 teams participating in the tournament from Nazareth and the surrounding areas. Winning first place was the "19th Hole" team from Nazareth. Team members included Heath Schulte, Craig Huseman, Marvin Schmucker, Bo Hoelting, Joey Waldo, Rex Acker, Mark Kleman, Todd Hill, Chris Schmucker, Chris Gerber, Neil Hoelting, Eric Wilhelm, and Ricky Backus. Second place went to the Tulia Wheat Growers team and third place to the Dimmitt Ready-Mix team.

Johnny and Kim Schmucker of Mayfield, Kentucky and their children, Hayley and Kyle spent a week here visiting their families, Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker and Kim's mother, Marilyn Wilson and family in Olton.



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Schools release guidelines for free, reduce price meals

The Dimmitt and Nazareth Independent School Districts have announced policies for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program.

A copy of the policy is on file in the DISD Administration Building, 608 West Halsell in Dimmitt; or at the high school principal's office in Nazareth.

The policy may be reviewed by any interested party. Application forms will be distributed to all students at registration or during the first week of school. To apply for free and reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. Information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

For the school to determine eligibility, the household must provide the following information listed on the application: names of all household members, total household income or the household's foodstamp case number if they currently receive food stamps, and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals.

1992-93 Income Eligibility Guidelines

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2	\$11,947	\$17,002	\$996	\$1,417	\$230	\$327
3	\$15,041	\$21,405	\$1,254	\$1,784	\$290	\$412
4	\$18,135	\$25,808	\$1,512	\$2,151	\$349	\$497
5	\$21,229	\$30,211	\$1,770	\$2,518	\$409	\$581
6	\$24,323	\$34,614	\$2,027	\$2,885	\$468	\$666
7	\$27,417	\$39,017	\$2,285	\$3,252	\$528	\$751
8	\$30,511	\$43,420	\$2,543	\$3,619	\$587	\$835
9	\$33,605	\$47,823	\$2,801	\$3,986	\$647	\$920
10	\$36,699	\$52,226	\$3,059	\$4,353	\$707	\$1,005
11	\$39,793	\$56,629	\$3,317	\$4,720	\$767	\$1,090
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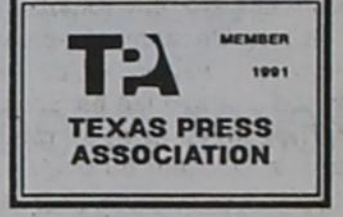


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12—Notices

telefono 647-3103 para que haga una cita individual para su hijo o hija.
12-18-2tc

13—Lost & Found

LOST DOG—10 miles north of Dimmitt. Male, brown-gray Australian shepherd with black spots. Right eye is glassy. Blue collar. Reward. 647-2698 or 1-578-4521.
13-18-1tc

14—Cards of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the volunteers of the Dimmitt Fire Department personally for the excellent way in which they contained the massive fire on South Broadway. They were able to prevent any damage to adjacent buildings, of which substantial losses could have been sustained.

Being out of town, I was not an eyewitness of the procedures, but the stories of the enormous blazing fire were enough to convince me of the fire department's abilities and training.

As a county and community, we are proud of your dedication to fighting fires and protecting our lives and property.

MANY THANKS!
JIM KILLINGSWORTH
14-18-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

My family and I would like to thank all those who took time out of their busy days to visit me while I was in the hospital in Lubbock and those who sent cards, food and plants. It is a great comfort to me to know that I have so many concerned friends. And a special thanks to the Dimmitt hospital staff and Dr. Hardee. The doctors at the University Medical Center Burn Unit said that it was the quick action and proper treatment I received at Plains Memorial Hospital that made my recovery up to this point as rapid as it has been. Thank you again!

JAMES BAKER & FAMILY
14-18-1tc

15—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Dimmitt I.S.D. is accepting sealed bids on the following until 11 a.m., August 7, 1992 at its Dimmitt I.S.D. offices, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, (806) 647-3102: Unleaded Gasoline, No. 2 Diesel, Propane, Pest Control Services.

Dimmitt I.S.D. reserves its right to accept or reject any or all bids.
15-16-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

Dimmitt Independent School District will hold a public hearing on the 1992-93 budget Aug. 24, 1992, at 7 p.m. at 608 W. Halsell.

15-18-1tc

LEGAL NOTICE

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting sealed bids on a vehicle as follows:

4-door preferred mid-size automobile with air, automatic transmission, less than 40,000 miles and a history of regular maintenance.

Sealed bids are due on or before 2 p.m. Sept. 11, 1992, at Dimmitt ISD offices, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, (806) 647-3102. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
15-18-5tc

LEGAL NOTICE

Dimmitt Independent School District is accepting sealed bids on the following surplus vehicles:

1969 Chevrolet Pickup
1968 GMC Pickup
1982 Ford LTD

Sealed bids will be received until 2 p.m. Sept. 10, 1992, at the Dimmitt ISD offices, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, (806) 647-3102. Dimmitt ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
15-18-5tc

15—Legal Notices

**LEGAL NOTICE
NO. PR 2088**

THE ESTATE OF
BILLY R. LOCKHART, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BILLY R. LOCKHART, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of BILLY R. LOCKHART, DECEASED, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 7th day of August, 1992, in the proceedings indicated below my signature hereto, which proceedings are still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same to me, at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

My residence and mailing address is MARY A. LOCKHART, Ruskin Circle, Apt. #2, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

MARY A. LOCKHART
Independent Administratrix
of the Estate of

BILLY R. LOCKHART, DECEASED
15-18-1tc

**TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY
DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL
EDUCATION FUNDING
AND COMPLIANCE**

1. Dimmitt Independent School District offers vocational programs in office education, home economics, vocational agriculture and industrial arts. Admission to these programs is based on enrollment in Dimmitt schools in grades 9-12.

2. It is the policy of Dimmitt ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

3. It is the policy of DISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

4. Dimmitt ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IV Coordinator at 608 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; telephone 806-647-3101.
15-18-1tc

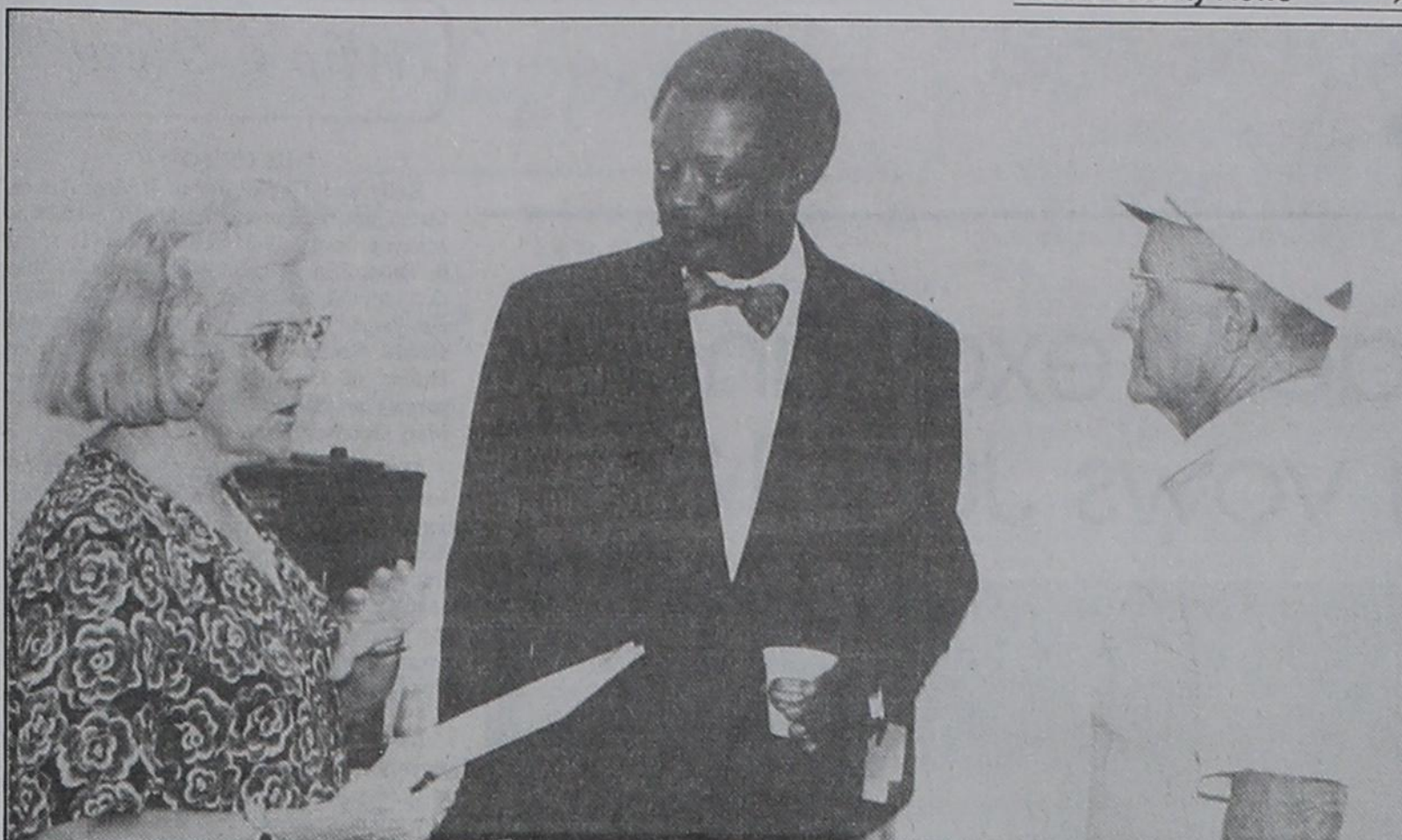
**AGENCIA DE EDUCACION DE TEJAS
DIVISION DE FONDOS Y COMPLI-
MIENTOS DE EDUCACION VOCI-
CIONAL**

1. El distrito escolar de Dimmitt ofrece programas vocacionales en educacion de oficina, economia domestica, agricultura vocacional, y art industrial. Admision a estos programas es basada en la matriculacion escolar de los grados 9-12.

2. Es la poliza del distrito escolar de Dimmitt de no discriminar por razones de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, o incapacidad en sus programas vocacionales, servicios, o actividades, requeridas por el Titulo VI del Acto de Derechos Civiles de 1964, reformado; Titulo IX de las Enmiendas de Educacion de 1972; y Seccion 504 del Acto de Rehabilitacion de 1973, reformado.

4. El distrito escolar de Dimmitt tomara medidas para asegurar que la falta del idioma ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todas los programas educacionales y vocacionales.

5. Para mas informacion tocante a sus derechos o procedimientos de quejas, pongase en contacto con el Coordinador de Titulo IX, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Tejas, numero de telefono (806) 647-3101.
15-20-1tc



STATE JUDGE VISITS — Judge Morris Overstreet (center) of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals visits with County Democratic Chairman Carole Dyer and Carl King during a campaign visit to Dimmitt Monday morning. Judge Overstreet was first elected to the state's highest

criminal court in 1990 after previously serving 15 years as an assistant district attorney, defense attorney and Potter County Court at Law judge in Amarillo. He is the first African-American elected by popular vote to a statewide office in the history of Texas.
Photo by Don Nelson

**Costume
contest
planned**

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Retail Merchants Committee will hold a costume contest Friday and Saturday as part of Castro County's Harvest Days celebration.

Those who wish to enter the contest should select costumes geared toward the theme "Let's Be Kids Again."

Those wishing to have their costumes judged should contact the Chamber office at 647-2524 by 12 noon today (Thursday).

A secret judge will select the winners and a prize of \$50 in Dimmitt Dollars will be awarded to the best individual employer/owner costume. A second competition will be for the "Best Dressed Business Group." Business judging will be based on the percent of participation and quality of costumes.

TO OUR WINNERS!

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KENT PARR-ALPINE, TX.
RAYMOND GONZALES-SANTA ROSA, N.M.
JANET POWELL-BORGER, TX.
KEN ROBISON-CLOVIS, N.M.

GAS FOR A YEAR WINNERS

LUZ CHAVARRIA-ABILENE, TX.
MARY WESSNER-WHITE DEER, TX.
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People

Ball, Albracht exchange wedding vows July 18

Tamara Ball and Dale Albracht were united in marriage in a formal double-ring ceremony on July 18.

Father Neal Dee and Al Maurer, uncle of the groom, officiated the wedding held at Holy Family Church in Nazareth.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Ball, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Albracht, all of Nazareth.

Musical selections were sung by Greg and Glenda Birkenfeld who were accompanied by Marcia Hoelting on the keyboard and Dwayne Kleman on the bass guitar. Musical selections included *Up Where We Belong*, *Theme from Ice Castles*, *Songbird*, *My Only Love, I Will Be Here*, *Holy Ground*, *One Friend* and *Love Of A Lifetime*.

The church was decorated with two diagonal candelabras, and white lights decorated the miniature trees in the sanctuary. White bows marked the pews.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white satin gown by the designers of Mary's Bridals. The contemporary styled gown featured a sweetheart cut neckline with a sheer yoke. A lace wedding band collar adorned the neckline, and the back of the bodice was open with strands of pearls draped across the shoulders. The slim fitting gown was embellished with motifs of Schiffler lace encrusted with pearls and sequins. Just at the knee, the gown burst forth with layers of ripple edge ruffles that floated to the floor and swept into a full cathedral-length train. A candybox bow adorned the back of the hipline. For her hair, she chose a vee-shaped headband of Austrian crystals and pearls. A soft pouff of illusion added softness at the back and allowed the illusion veiling to cascade down.

Nikki Schulte of Nazareth, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Ball of Nazareth, sister of the bride;



MR. AND MRS. DALE ALBRACHT
... She's the former Tamara Ball

Cindy Albracht of Nazareth, sister of the groom; Traci Hill of Wichita Falls, Marla Ramaekers of Canyon, Gwen Hoelting of Nazareth, and Jenny Brockman of Canyon, all friends of the bride.

The bridal attendants were attired in black and white satin dresses. A white bias pleated neck ruffle was attached to a black princess seam bodice. A white skirt was

gathered to the bodice at an angle. Each attendant carried a single white silk rose entwined in black and white ribbon and strings of iridescent pearls.

Serving as best man was Steve Albracht of Hart, brother of the groom. Groomsman were Chris Albracht of Amarillo, brother of the groom; Brian Ramaekers of Nazareth, John Kleman of Austin, Frank Huseman of Amarillo, Chris Kleman of Dallas, and Lonny Huseman of Nazareth, all friends of the groom.

The groom wore a black pinstriped Pierre Cardin tuxedo with tails and a white bow tie and a white cummerbund.

Groomsman were also attired in Pierre Cardin tuxedos. They wore white jackets with tails and black pants with black cummerbunds and black bow ties.

Seating guests at the wedding were Kyle Schacher of Amarillo, Craig Wilhelm of Houston, Bruce Huseman of Nazareth, and Mike Huseman of Amarillo, all friends of the groom.

Misty and Kira Ball, sisters of the bride, served as candlelighters.

Flower girls were Kembra and Kely Albracht, nieces of the groom, and Kassandra Setch, niece of the bride.

The flower girls wore dresses similar to the bridesmaids. Their black tea-length dresses had a white collar and black ruffles on the skirt. They each carried white baskets decorated with black and white ribbon and small silk flowers.

A reception and dance followed the wedding in the Nazareth Community Hall. The tables were covered with black table cloths with white bows and glass flower arrangements.

The couple now resides in Lubbock after a honeymoon trip to San Antonio.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Nazareth High School and is now attending Texas Tech University pursuing a degree in nursing.

The groom is a 1986 Nazareth High School graduate who attended Texas Tech University Health Science Center and graduated from there in 1991. He is currently working at University Medical Center in Lubbock as a lab technologist.

Who's New?

OUT OF TOWN

Kelly and Tim Huffer of Broken Arrow, Okla., are the parents of a girl, Katharine Maxyne, born July 31 at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa. She weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz. She has two older sisters, Stacey, 11, and two-year-old Paige. Her grandparents are Mary and Gerald Braddock of Nazareth and Helen Huffer of Crescent, Okla. Great-grandparents are Ruth Griffin of Amarillo and Mary Goodwin Simmons of Oklahoma.

Alejandra Leonor Segouia, daughter of Aurelio Segouia and Linda M. Gonzales was born July 31 at 8:45 p.m. at Plains Memorial Hospital weighing 6 lbs., 4 oz. Her paternal grandparents are Carmelo and Margarita Segouia of Mexico, and maternal grandparents are Henry and Lile Treje of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Celestino and Andrea Gonzales of Dimmitt.

David and Rosa Linda Martinez are the parents of a boy, John David, born August 2 at 3:24 p.m. at Plains Memorial Hospital. The infant weighed 7 lbs. and was 21 inches long. Other family members include Melissa Lee, Kyrstal Mae, and Klarissa Dee. Grandparents are Juan and Elodia Martinez of Dimmitt, and Emma F. Martinez of Dimmitt. Her great-grandmother is Petra Barrera of Dimmitt.



SILVER ANNIVERSARY — Ted and Sylvia Stubblefield will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary with a reception Saturday at the VFW Hall in Dimmitt. The reception, hosted by the couple's family, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. and friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend. The couple were married on Aug. 13, 1967.

Courtesy Photo

Republicans hold summer social

Halley Bradley and Jeremy Langford, Girls' and Boys' State representatives, gave enthusiastic reports of their experience at the Castro County Republicans' annual summer social last Thursday in the patio yard of Rose Acker.

Both felt they learned a lot, met many interesting people and had a good time.

Also speaking to the group of 25 was Tim Lambert, of Lubbock, the State Republican Executive Committeeman from the 28th Senatorial District.

Lambert relayed the progress of the State's Republicans in election gains throughout the state and of the anticipation of the upcoming National Convention. He reminded the group that the state corporate income tax passed by the present State Legislature is dealing a low blow in increased taxes to business. He also mentioned the confusion and gerrymandering of the redistricting problems in the courts at the present time.

Patsy Franks was appointed treasurer of the party upon the resignation of Marguerite McLain.

The Republicans plan to open a headquarters in October.

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR Volunteer.

American Heart Association

The children and grandchildren of **Mayme Birdwell** invite you to come and visit with her on her **Birthday** **Sunday, August 16** from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the home of **Tommy and Darlene Stanton** 1605 W. Bedford

Join us.

See what we found at the latest fashion markets in 'Crisp Fashions for Fall,' a Harvest Days style show featuring local models wearing fashions from our stores. Friday from 3 to 4 on the Expo Stage.

Tots and Teens
101 E. Bedford, Dimmitt

The Village Shop
204 W. Bedford, Dimmitt

Enjoy the Fair, and don't forget—Friday, 3 to 4.

Bethel to hold ice cream supper

Residents in the Bethel community will hold an ice cream supper tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 at the Bethel Community Building. Those who attend are asked to bring cake or cookies. Everyone is invited to attend.

INGRAM'S SUMMER SPECTACULAR SALE

Boy's & Girl's Spring & Summer SPORTSWEAR 50% off	Junior & Missy Spring & Summer DRESSES 50% off
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Junior & Missy Rocky Mountain, Wrangler & Zena JEANS 30% off	Men's SPORTSWEAR & SWIMWEAR 50% off

Check our 75% off rack!

705 Main St., Friona 247-3291

Church Happenings

Ministerial Alliance

Castro County Ministerial Alliance will meet Tuesday morning at 10 at the Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt. All members are urged to attend.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school classes will meet at 10 a.m. Sunday. "Why Hesitate?" is the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the Sunday morning worship service, scheduled to begin at 11.

The mid-week Bible Study will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the manse.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

The Pastoral Council will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 in the church's vestibule.

Registration for CCD classes will be held over the next two weekends.

The 8 p.m. mass on Friday will be a vigil mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. The 5:30 p.m. mass on Saturday also will celebrate the occasion. The obligation to attend mass on this holy day has been dispensed with by the Bishop.

There will be a "jamaica" (fiesta)

on Sunday, Aug. 23, beginning at 11 a.m. at the City Park.

There will be a Cursillo for men Sept. 3 to 6 and deadline for registration is Saturday. Contact the church for more information.

Class of '82 plans reunion

Friends and family of members of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1982 are invited to visit with class members Saturday when they hold their reunion.

Anyone wishing to visit class members may do so between 2 and 4 p.m. at the Country Club pool, or at the dance, which will begin at 8:30 p.m. at the Country Club.

Commodities to be given

Butter, pork, peanut butter, pears, applesauce, corn and cornmeal will be offered during Panhandle Community Services August commodity distribution, which will be held Wednesday at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Doors will open at 10 a.m., according to those organizing the event.

Sign up now for parade

Let's Be Kids Again and decorate a float, bicycle, car or other entry for the 1992 Harvest Days parade, which will be held Saturday at 10 a.m.

For more information or to register an entry in the parade, contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 115 West Bedford in Dimmitt or call 647-2524. Entry forms or a call from a person who wishes to enter the parade must be received at the Chamber office by 12 noon today (Thursday). Children of all ages who wish to ride a bicycle in the parade do not need to pre-register.

The parade is one of the highlights of the Castro County Fair, which will begin today (Thursday) and will continue through Saturday.

"It is time for celebration in Dimmitt and we love parades and all the activities that go with it," said Delores Heller, Chamber of Commerce executive director.

Theme for this year's parade and Harvest Days celebration is *Let's Be Kids Again*.

"Our 1992 plans include the county fair, arts and crafts show, rodeo, car show, barbecue, carnival, games for all ages, special exhibitions, a street dance, early settlers' reunion and lots of food," Heller said.

The parade's starting point will be at the Dimmitt Post Office, located at 205 Southeast Second Street. The Dimmitt Lions Club will organize the parade.

Floats must feature large signs on both sides to help the crowd

identify who is sponsoring the entry (unless you don't want the public to know).

Vehicles (antique, hot rod, classic and low-riders) will participate in the parade and in an afternoon car show. Dash plaques will be given to each car show entrant and trophies will be awarded.

Other vehicles, which include cars carrying dignitaries also must have readable signs indicating who the dignitaries are by both name and title.

The general parade entries must be lined up by 9 a.m. for judging.



Moss and Hattie Howell

Howells celebrate 65th anniversary

Moss and Hattie Howell of Weatherford, formerly of Dimmitt, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary the week of July 4 at the Howell Home Place, west of Dimmitt.

Each of the couple's 10 children were there, including Charles Henry and Linda Smith, both of Weatherford; Herb of Bovina; Jack and Jimmie, both of Dimmitt; Oran of Streetman; Susie Bonds of Americus, Kan.; Gayle Stovall of Fritch; Karen Ahlerich of Bedford; and

Maj. John of Sterling, Okla. Also present for the celebration were 21 of the couple's 29 grandchildren and 16 of their 27 great-grandchildren.

Family and friends enjoyed visiting and eating with the couple.

Moss Howell married the former Hattie Bagwell on July 9, 1927, in Abernathy. The couple lived and farmed in the Bethel community in Castro County for 41 years. They moved to Weatherford in 1974 and still reside there.



The Book Shelf

By CINDY POTTORFF
Rhoads Memorial Library

Summer ended with a bang! Our party drew 70 children and was highlighted by Janet McDaniel's talk on her amazing mules. (She planned to bring them but got rained out.) Judy Acker, Nazareth's school librarian, helped with refreshments and also with publicity in Nazareth.

Summer reading was a success this year (132 participants), thanks to help from many people. Special thanks go to Glenn Waldo of Nazareth, Lee Miller of Richardson Elementary, and Darla Baggett of Hart.

They will be doing time on the school roofs next week. Mr. Waldo will spend two hours (60 students), Mr. Miller will spend 58 minutes (29 students), and Mrs. Baggett will spend 70 minutes (35 students) on their school roofs. Their commitment to the principal challenge has helped make summer reading a success!

Gloria Ponce, who manned the school library in Hart, gets special thanks. Kids who couldn't come to Dimmitt for summer reading were able to participate at the Hart school library. Gloria also helped with publicity in Hart and brought a busload of summer readers to our party.

A lip-smacking thanks goes to Dairy Queen manager, Pat Puggleise, who agreed to issue sundae coupons to summer readers who read extra time. The coupons worked like a charm.

Thanks to the Federal Land Bank for the use of their lot and to the County Extension Office for corral panels.

We're happy about the success of summer reading this year and appreciate all the help we got including newspaper space and radio time. We couldn't have done it alone and it worked beautifully with school and community support.

Remember, story time for pre-schoolers begins September 4 and will be weekly this fall. Please let us know if you are planning to bring a child or want to help out.

And yes, ladies, we do have a new book that's interesting. Ivana Trump has written *For Love Alone*, a novel about a gorgeous Czech skier who escapes to the West and marries an American tycoon. Katrina goes into hotel management but her marriage crumbles with the prosperity of the '80's. The book is fiction, but does sound suspiciously like Ivana's marriage to "The Donald."

Class of '72 seeks addresses

The Dimmitt High School graduating class of 1972 is planning a reunion in October and organizers of the event are searching for addresses for several classmates.

If anyone knows how to contact the following people, please contact Linda Langford at 647-4106 or Debra Ball at 647-2635.

Classmates whose addresses are needed are Jeff Barringer, Donna Bosley, Glen Bruton, Joe Cavazos, Martina Dones, Charlotte Goldsmith, Rosemary Guardiola, Hal Heathington, Chuck Irons, Ronnie McGowen, Lea Mott, George Perez, David Prather, Socorro Quinonez, Kimberly Sims, Michael Spinhirne, Lee Summers, George Ulloa, Juanita Vidal and Robert Washington.

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Grace Fellowship

210 Jones, Dimmitt invites you to our fellowship meetings Sunday's at 6 p.m. and Thursday's at 7:30 p.m.

The kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power. I Corinthians 4:20

Also read I Corinthians 2:1-5.

Church Directory

New Hope Memorial Baptist
300 NE 7th, Dimmitt
Rev. Claude Mullins

Sunnyside Baptist
Sunnyside
David Fletcher.....647-5712

First United Methodist
Hart
Perry Hunsaker.....938-2462

La Asamblea Cristiana
400 NW 5th, Dimmitt
Ruben Velasquez

First United Methodist
110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt
Vernon O'Kelly.....647-4106

Iglesia De Cristo
E. Lee & SE 3rd, Dimmitt
Pedro A. Gonzalez

Immaculate Conception Catholic
1001 W. Halsell, Dimmitt
Norbert Choong.....647-4219

Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana
301 NE 7th, Dimmitt
Antonio Rocha.....647-4373

Noah was the first tiller of the soil. He planted a vineyard; and he drank of the wine, and became drunk, and lay uncovered in his tent. And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brothers outside. Then Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it upon both their shoulders, and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father; their faces were turned away, and they did not see their father's nakedness. Genesis 9:20-23



Church of God of the First Born
611 E. Halsell, Dimmitt

Immanuel Baptist
501 SE 3rd, Dimmitt
James Alexander

Rosa de Saron
411 NE 6th, Dimmitt
Maria Castaneda.....647-5598

St. John's Catholic
Hart
Norbert Choong.....647-4219

Church of Christ
SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt
Benny Baker.....647-4435

Rose of Sharon Temple
407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

First Assembly of God
300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt
Claude Hendricks.....647-5662

First Baptist
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Sports



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HART DAYS HORSESHOE PITCHING
... Newlon Rowland participates in Lions Club-sponsored event.

DHS football season tickets to go on sale

Individuals who held reserved tickets for Dimmitt High School's home football games last year will have an opportunity between Aug. 31 and Sept. 4 to buy tickets for the 1992-93 season.

Reserved tickets are \$16 this year (\$4 per home game) and may be purchased at the Dimmitt Independent School District's administrative office located at 608 West Halsell, or by calling Roxie Louder at 67-3102.

After Sept. 4, the tickets will go on sale to the general public.

DMS athletes to prepare for football

Dimmitt Middle School youths who wish to play football this year are asked to pick up equipment on Monday and Tuesday, and to have their physicals before the first day of school, which is Wednesday.

Prospective eighth grade football players should pick up their equipment between 3:30 and 5 p.m. Monday; while students interested in playing who are enrolled in the seventh grade should pick up their equipment between 1 and 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

Students may pick up forms for physicals from Coach Bell or from any doctor.

DHS to begin cross country workouts Monday

Dimmitt High School girls who are interested in competing in cross country this year are asked to "bring their running shoes" and report for workouts Monday.

Those interested in running are asked to meet at Dimmitt High school at 5 p.m., according to Coach Richard Wood.

Tourney set

The Muleshoe CYO will be sponsoring a Men's Softball Tournament to be held August 22 and 23 at the new city park.

Entry fee is \$100 with Class D teams only with each team furnishing their own ball.

USSSA sanctioned rules will apply.

Prizes to be given will be first, second and third place individual t-shirts.

For further information, contact Alex Garcia at 272-4390 or Robert Orozco at 272-4536 after 2:30 p.m. or at home at 272-3867.

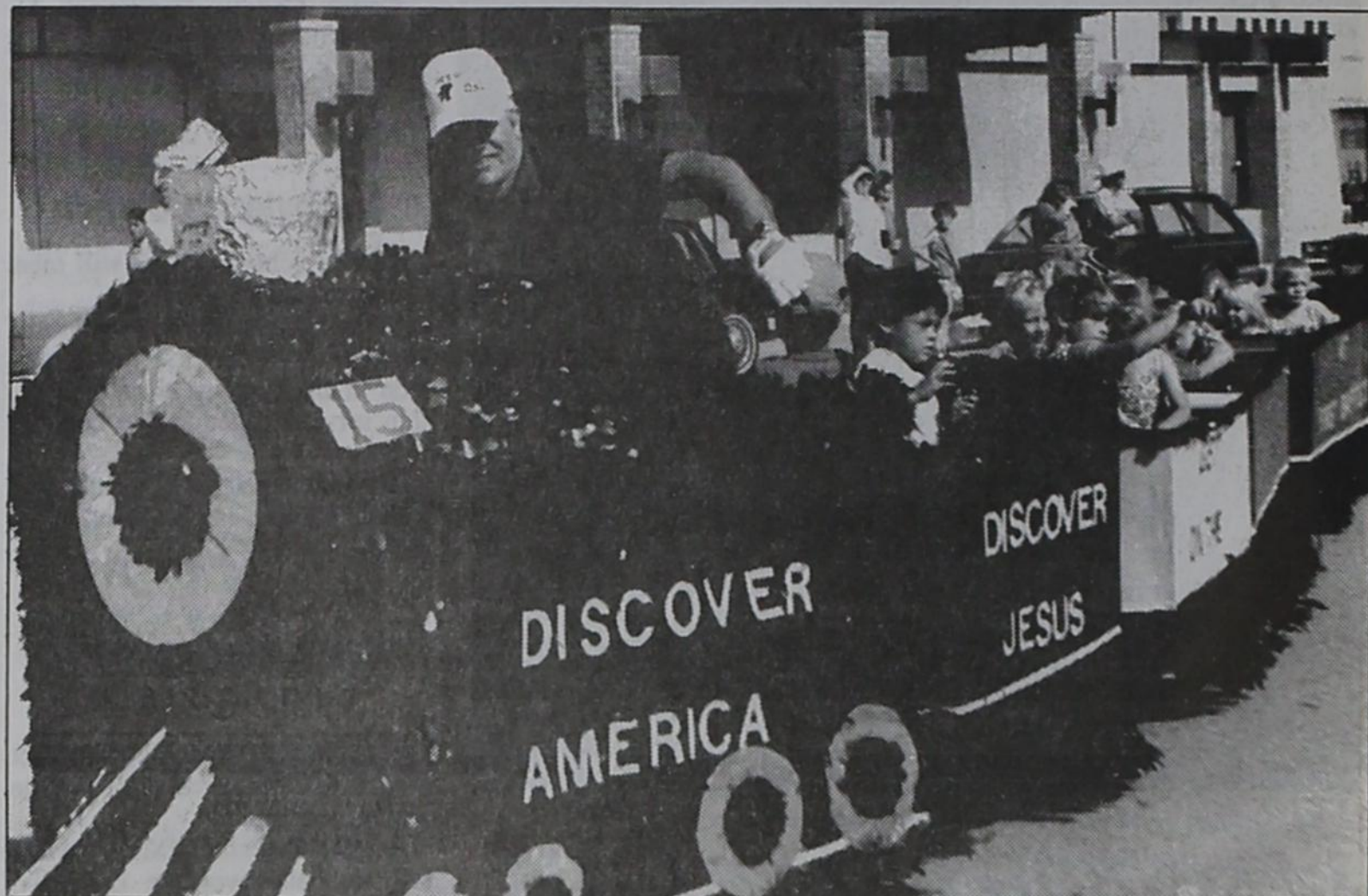


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FIRST PLACE FLOAT FOR HART DAYS PARADE
... First Baptist Church's "Gospel Train" driven by Gerald Aalbers, pastor.



What's Cooking?

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth from August 17 to 21.

DIMMITT

WEDNESDAY: Hot dogs with chili and cheese, French fries, pork and beans, peaches and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken fried steak with gravy, cream potatoes, green beans, rolls with butter and honey and milk.

FRIDAY: Beef tacos with cheese, whole kernel corn, shredded lettuce, chocolate pudding and milk.

HART

MONDAY: Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, Italian green beans, apple cobbler, hot rolls and milk.

TUESDAY: Burrito, cheese wedge, salad, corn on the cob, Rice Krispie bar and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sloppy Joes on bun, French fries, lettuce, pickles, cookie and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken fajitas, flour tortillas, salad, Spanish rice, strawberry shortcake and milk.

FRIDAY: Pizza, corn, salad, brownie and milk.

NAZARETH

MONDAY: Tacos, corn, hot rolls, peaches and milk.

TUESDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce, tossed salad, hot rolls, apple sauce and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Hamburgers,

French fries, brownies and milk.

THURSDAY: Nachos, pinto beans, tossed salad, pineapple and milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot rolls, Jello and milk.

Horseshoe contest set

The Dimmitt Rotary Club will sponsor a horseshoe pitching contest Saturday during the Harvest Days celebration in Dimmitt.

The double-elimination tournament will begin at 1 p.m. on the Expo grounds, and it will be held next to the parachute jump.

Entry fee is \$20 per two-man team and anyone who wants to enter should call 647-2536 or 647-

4489 in the evenings; or at 6447-2524, days.

The tournament will be one division, unless enough women enter to warrant a separate women's division.

Cash prizes of \$100, \$75 and \$50 will be awarded to teams winning, first, second and third places, respectively.

Klein competes in 'Games of Texas'

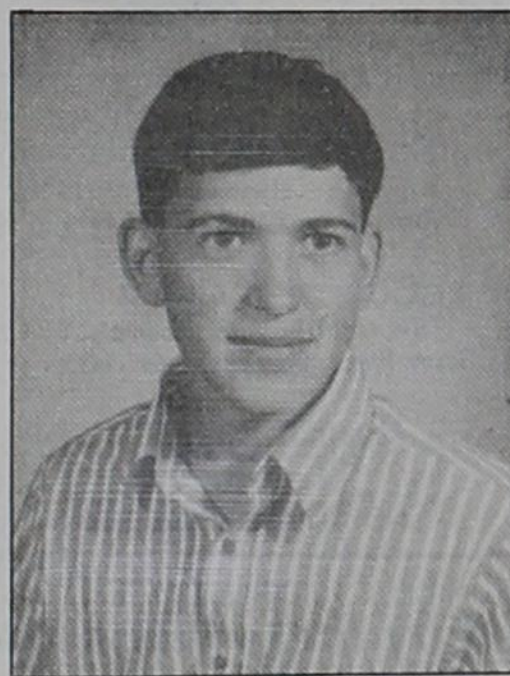
B.J. Klein of Nazareth competed as a special olympian at the Games of Texas, held in Corpus Christi August 6-8.

He was the only one that qualified for the games in track and field from the Amarillo area.

During the 21 event meet, he ran a mile in 4:51, his best time ever. In that race he placed seventh out of 14 runners.

He also competed in the two-mile run, finishing 11th out of 14, with the time of 11:57.

Special Olympics — Amarillo Area 16 sponsored Klein to the meet and are proud of his accomplishments.



B.J. Klein

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Quilt show is planned

A quilt show will be held Friday and Saturday during the Castro County Harvest Days celebration.

The show will be split into two divisions: 1. Quilts finished after January 1, 1990; and 2. Quilts made after 1940. The second division is for those quilts which will be shown only, and will not be judged.

Quilts which have won an award in a previous quilt show may only be entered in Division 2.

Only one quilt may be entered in each category. If the quilt is the work of more than one person, written credit must be given to all involved. The person entering the quilt will be awarded the ribbon.

Categories for the show are antique (made before 1940), children (crib quilts made for children),

combination technique (applied or pieced), embroidery and other needlework, hand applique, machine applique, machine quilted (all that are quilted by any machine, except pre-printed cloth), painted, pieced (hand-quilted only), pre-printed cloth, quilts by youth (for ages 17 and under), quilt tops, small quilts and wallhangings (less than 60 x 90 inches), specialized method and tied.

Division 1 will be judged for technique, design, creativity and overall quality.

First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded to winners in each category. Ribbons also will be awarded for a "Judge's Award," "Best of Show," and "People's Choice."

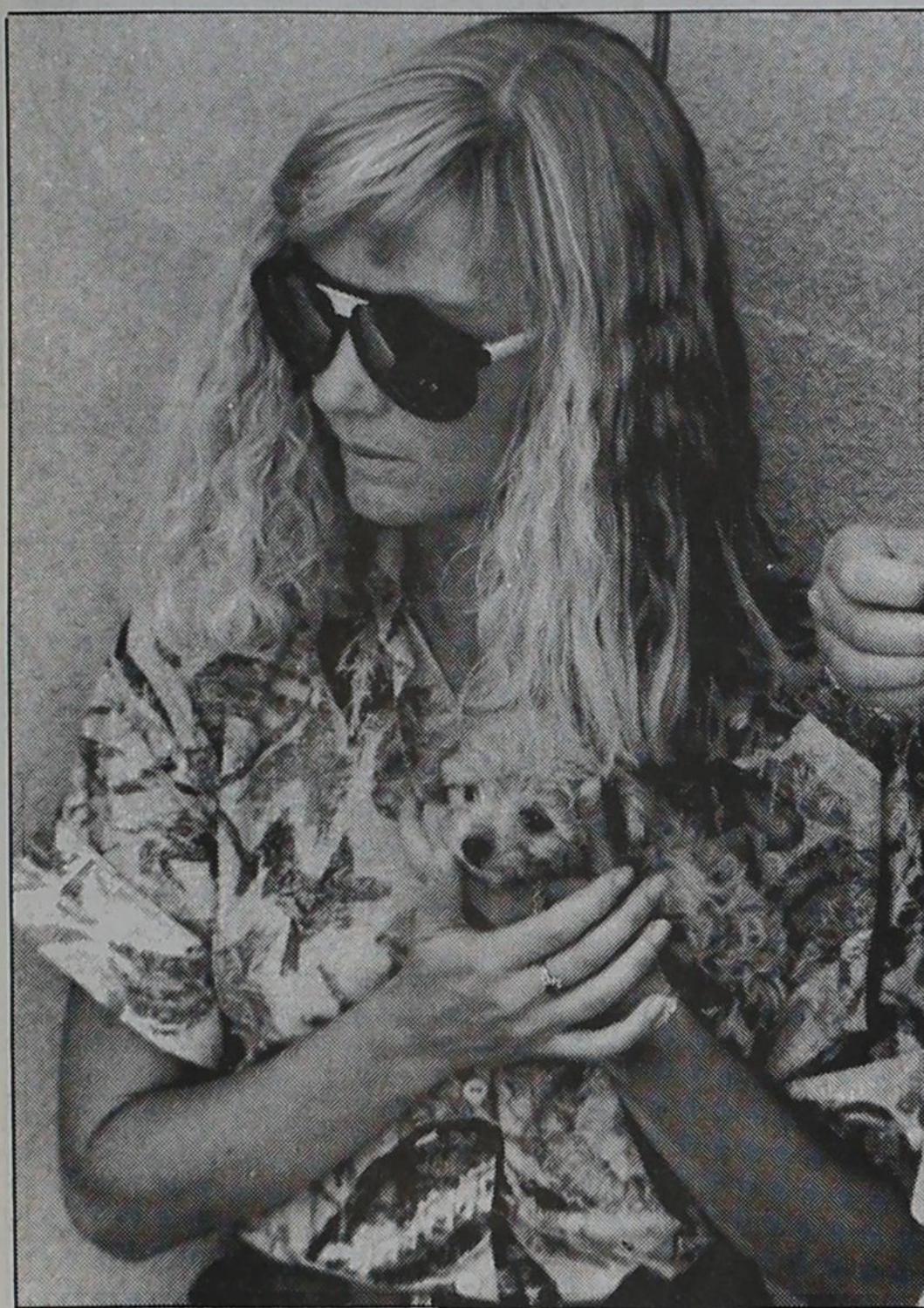


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HART PET SHOW'S SMALLEST ENTRY... "Scruffy," shown by Barbara Podzemny of Sedan, N.M.

Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

Tuesday night Sunnyside recorded .20 inch of rain.

David Sadler is still having a lot of trouble with his leg and high triglyceride count. He is getting less work done all the time, and surgery has not been scheduled on his gall bladder.

Cleo Carr called Teeny Bowden Saturday night and said their son, David, was going to have his gall bladder taken out in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Monday or Tuesday. She will not be able to go because it is too hard for her to get around on a walker or in a wheel chair.

Bess Bills went for another shot in her knee Thursday, but it didn't help. She is still suffering with it and can't get around.

Rita and Kevin Bural were back in church after a long series of illnesses on Rita, Jamie, and Erick's part.

Kim Riley of Marbridge Ranch has been home for two weeks for a visit with his mother, Edna Riley in Dimmitt. He also visited Kevin and Jody and their wives and Ray Joe and Jo Eddy. He may help them with their work.

The Sunnyside school reunion school pictures didn't come in this week. They should be here by the middle of next week.

Jasper and Lola Bell Williams and their daughter, Helen, visited a couple of hours Sunday morning with Teeny Bowden. They then went to visit with Goldie Thompson, but they never found her. So when they got home, Lola Bell called her for a visit and to see that she was alright. She was out in the middle of the trees watering and hoeing. They live at Jolly near Wichita Falls, and are Bowden cousins.

The entire Sadler bunch was at Hubbard Creek Lake all week or some part of the week for the

Henslee reunion. Ezell, Verba and Stacey Norman, and Jeremy and Joshua left Thursday at noon. Jim had carpet to clean Friday morning so he went down later. Larry and Sharon have been down all week at

two reunions, but I don't know about Laura. David and Gay and Embree Roy and Willie Mae also went.

Doug Loudder took Teeny Bowden down to his house after church

Sunday morning to see the new granddaughter, Melissa. She is a beautiful baby, and real good. Dara and Brandi Green watched over her, and she slept mostly while I was there.

SCHEDULE A: Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following balances will probably be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Castro County General	\$178,442
Castro County Precincts	607,744
Castro County Road & Bridge General	29,815
Castro County Hospital District	1,900,000
Dimmitt I.S.D.	2,074,719
City of Dimmitt	—
Nazareth I.S.D.	300,000
City of Nazareth	5,812
Castro C.E.D.	55,000

SCHEDULE B: 1992 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid	Interest to be Paid	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
N/A				

SCHEDULE C: Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional 1/2 cent sales tax)

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive Castro County—\$132,192, City of Dimmitt—\$101,320, City of Nazareth—\$5,340 in additional sales and use tax revenues.

SCHEDULE D: State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The Castro County Auditor certifies that Castro County has spent \$ -0- in the previous 12 months beginning July 1, 1991, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Castro County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Castro County Appraisal District office.

Name of person preparing this notice: Jerry Heller
Title: Chief Appraiser
Date prepared: 7/24/92

Thank you for reading The Castro County News!

Notice of Effective Tax Rate

1992 Property Tax Rates in Castro County

This notice concerns 1992 property tax rates for Castro County taxing units. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This

year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	Castro County General	Castro County Road	Castro County Hospital District	Dimmitt I.S.D.	City of Dimmitt	Nazareth I.S.D.	City of Nazareth	Castro CED
Last year's tax rate:								
Last year's operating taxes	\$920,179	\$208,468	\$1,223,016	\$624,415	\$258,040	\$79,757	\$5,231	\$1,902,217
Last year's debt taxes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Last year's total taxes	920,179	208,468	1,223,016	624,415	258,040	79,757	5,231	1,902,217
Last year's tax base	348,552,630	345,717,900	349,433,200	206,486,320	114,684,500	21,556,100	4,816,400	264,196,830
Last year's total tax rate	.264/\$100	.0603/\$100	.35/\$100	.3024/\$100	.2250/\$100	.37/\$100	.1086/\$100	.72/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:								
Last year's adjusted taxes	920,092	208,426	1,223,016	623,957	258,040	79,587	5,231	1,900,093
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)								
+ This year's adjusted tax base	345,478,950	342,501,760	342,220,097	204,120,698	114,182,469	21,535,448	4,803,606	258,778,702
(after subtracting value of new property)								
= This year's effective tax rate	.2663/\$100	.0609/\$100	.3574/\$100	.3057/\$100	.2260/\$100	.3696/\$100	.1089/\$100	.7343/\$100
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	.2743/\$100	.0627/\$100	.3681/\$100	.3149/\$100	.2328/\$100	.3807/\$100	.1122/\$100	.7563/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:								
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	1,052,284	208,426	1,223,016	554,591	359,360	79,012	10,571	1,900,093
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)								
+ This year's adjusted tax base	345,478,950	342,501,760	342,220,097	204,120,698	114,182,469	21,535,448	4,803,606	258,778,702
= This year's effective operating rate	.3046/\$100	.0609/\$100	.3574/\$100	.2717/\$100	.3147/\$100	.3669/\$100	.2201/\$100	.7343/\$100
x 1.08 (or add \$.08 for schools) = this year's maximum operating rate	.3290/\$100	.0658/\$100	.3859/\$100	.3517/\$100	.3304/\$100	.4469/\$100	.2377/\$100	.7930/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100
(A school district must insert the following lines)								
= This year's rollback rate before adjustment	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	.3517/\$100	—/\$100	.4469/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100
+ Rate to recoup lost revenue	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	.0589/\$100	—/\$100	.0393/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100
= Adjusted rollback rate	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	.4106/\$100	—/\$100	.4862/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	.3290/\$100	.0658/\$100	.3859/\$100	.4106/\$100	.3304/\$100	.4862/\$100	.2377/\$100	.7930/\$100
(A city or county that collects the additional sales tax (including one that collects the tax for the first time this year) must insert the following lines:)								
— Sales tax adjustment rate	.0381/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	.0882/\$100	—/\$100	.1090/\$100	—/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	.3567/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	—/\$100	.2422/\$100	—/\$100	.1287/\$100	—/\$100

ABI Agriculture Business Industry

Emergency loan program to be discussed at hearing

Panhandle and South Plains farmers will have a chance to voice their opinions on the Farmers Home Administration's (FmHA) Emergency Loan Program before a congressional public hearing on Aug. 24 in Floydada.

The hearing is being arranged by Con. Bill Sarpalius (D-Amarillo) and will be held by the House Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit and Rural Development. It will begin at 2 p.m. in the district courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse, and it is open to the public.

Those who wish to testify at the hearing should contact Sarpalius' Washington office at 1-202-225-3706 by next Thursday, Aug. 19. Written testimony of any length also may be submitted by Aug. 21 to the Amarillo office at 817 S.

Polk, Amarillo 79101 or it may be brought to the hearing.

"The purpose of this hearing is to listen to farmers and producers of the 13th District (which includes Castro County)," Sarpalius said. "It is a chance for farmers to discuss their experiences with the Emergency Loan Program and to help congress understand the difficulties farmers are facing.

"Apparently, the federal emergency loan program is not reaching the producers that need assistance getting through weather-related disasters. So I convinced Chairman Glenn English (D-Oklahoma) to bring Washington to Floydada and learn first-hand the problems confronting our farmers," Sarpalius said.

English is chairman of the Conservation, Credit and Rural Devel-

opment Subcommittee which oversees all FmHA programs including the emergency loan program. In addition, the committee oversees the Farm Credit System, conservation programs and rural development.

This field hearing will focus on the effectiveness of the Emergency Loan Program. Sarpalius added that the committee also is interested in hearing producers' opinions on crop insurance and direct disaster assistance.

"I'm bringing this committee to Floydada so it can hear the ideas and suggestions of the producers most directly impacted, and hopefully this will result in a legislative remedy," Sarpalius said. "This is the American farmer's chance to be heard and make a real impact on the policies that effect the way he does business."

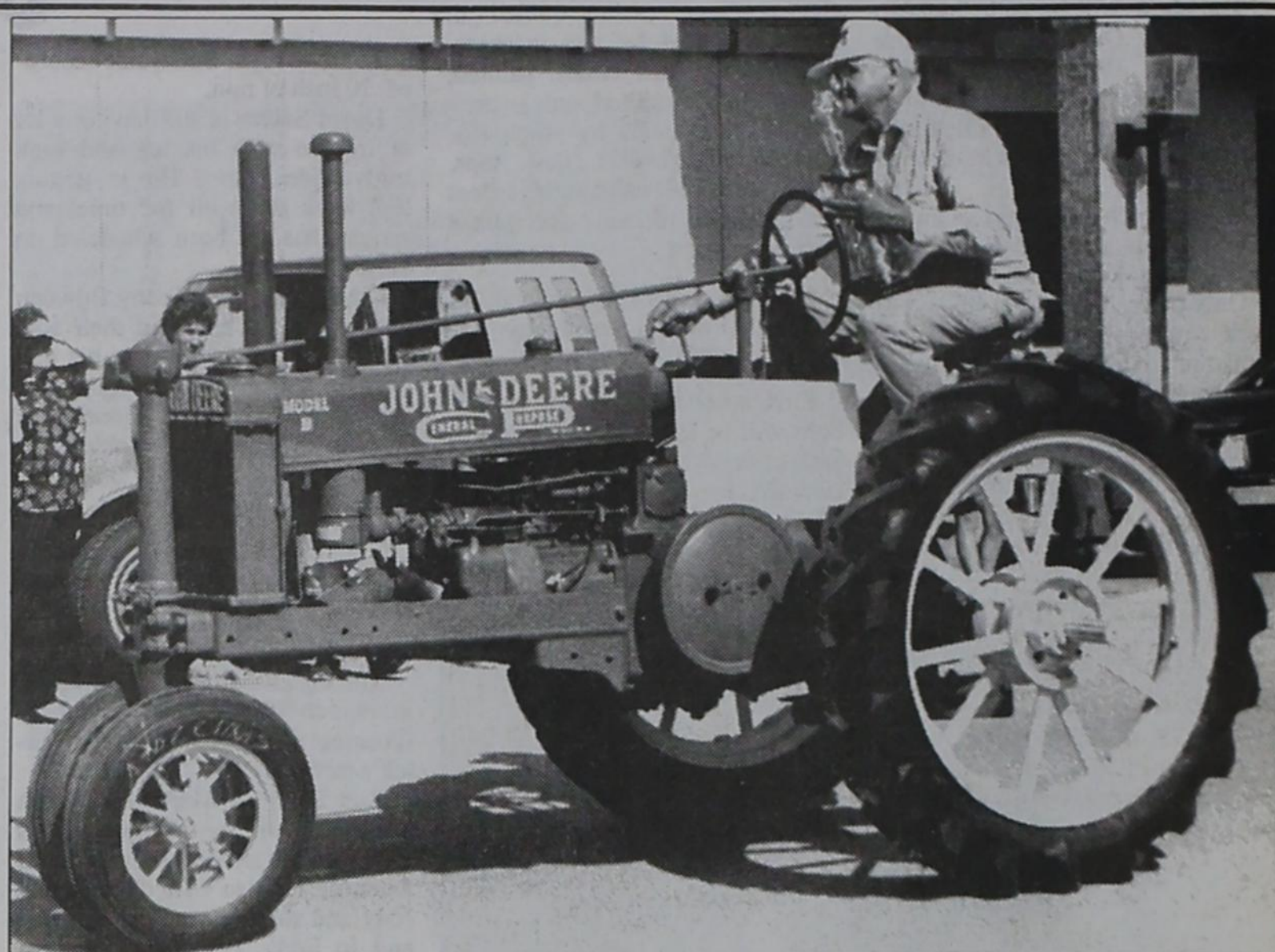


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Insects of Interest

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Current Crop Conditions

Generally the corn crop is in good condition and ranges from late corn not yet tasseling to 80-100% dent. The county corn yield average has again decreased by significant hail damage in the Dimmitt, Nazareth and Hart triangle. Sugar beets are being effected by powder mildew under current weather conditions. Dryland sorghum needs a rain. Wheat is being planted and is up in the Arney area. Soybeans are setting pods.

Cotton Pest

Cotton aphids are becoming more common in area fields, but are not causing problems. We can stop worrying about the early season cotton pests such as the flea-hopper. We have set all the squares that might make a boll, and those really need to bloom by August 12.

Sorghum Pests

Midge should be scouted for in flowering sorghum. This tiny, red gnat lays eggs in about 50 developing seeds during her short life of 24 hours. The hatching larvae destroy the seeds, resulting in a "blasted" head. Midge populations increase on Johnsongrass and sorghum during the season, and late flowering fields are most likely to be economically infested. Look for midge on blooming heads from mid-morning until shortly after noon. Control is justified when 1-2 adult midge can be found per head. Once the field has bloomed, it is no longer attrac-

tive to midge adults. Greenbug populations continue to be light. We can use Asana under Section 18 for control of midge and headworm.

Corn Earworm

Mature corn earworm have been making their way out of the corn ears the past week. Larvae fall to the ground where they pupate. In about 12-18 days the earworm moth emerges from the soil. Cotton, sorghum and soybeans will then be an attractive site for laying eggs of the earworm moths. The corn earworm is the same insect as the bollworm, headworm, and podworm, the names change with the crop attacked.

According to historical data and the trends that moth flights are taking, we should intensify scouting for eggs in cotton around August 10-17, and bollworm larvae in soybeans and older sorghum around August 12-19.

Corn Pests

Pest activity has increased slightly this past week. Most corn borer infestations remain light and most treatments are taking into consideration mite activity, true armyworms, and how much longer we think the corn needs to stand.

Pheromone trap catches of the southwestern corn borer moths continue to increase. We are near or at the peak moth flight and corn borer activity should decline soon. We will continue to watch late corn closely for borer infestations.

The spider mite situation ranges from mite-free fields to heavily infested fields requiring treatment. Inspect the field before making a mite control decision. At this time

25% of fields in the scouting program have been treated for mites. Once corn reaches full dent, spider mites will not likely reduce yield, but may cause premature stalk rot and lodging.

Wheat Streak Mosaic

Every season wheat streak mosaic virus (WSM) is a problem somewhere in area wheat fields. WSM could be a serious problem again this year with the emergence of volunteer wheat. Volunteer wheat is the most important source of the disease. The microscopic wheat curl mite, that transmits the virus, overwinters in volunteer wheat, some CRP grasses, and many other grass species. The mite is then blown into the wheat crop planted in the late summer and fall, and infection can develop within a halfmile from the source.

Cultural practices are the only effective means of controlling WSM virus and mite vector.

1) Volunteer wheat must be destroyed 2-3 weeks before seeded wheat emerges. Clean-till as wide a border as possible around planted wheat. Grazing volunteer wheat and chemical control of the wheat curl mite is ineffective.

2) Plant wheat as late as possible. Mite populations decrease in fall from cold weather and death of summer host.

All varieties are susceptible to WSM; however, some are more susceptible than others.

Marriage resembles a pair of shears, so joined that they cannot be separated, often moving in opposite directions, yet always punishing anyone who comes between them.

SYDNEY SMITH

DPS urges safety

Labor day seems to be the holiday that most everyone tries to enjoy before really getting back into the swing of the school year and being tied down.

Labor day always brings heavy traffic to our roadways and especially to our recreation areas and lakes.

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, Region 5, urges every motorist to be especially watchful during this time period.

"We want everyone to have a good time and to enjoy the holidays, but above all we want it to be an accident free weekend," Major Cawthon stated.

Major Cawthon also stated that this being the last big weekend before school really gets into swing that a lot of people will be trying to get the so-called "gusto" over by indulging in alcoholic beverages.

Major Cawthon said, "If you drink, don't drive and if you drive, don't drink."

Eighty-five percent of all Americans drink, but most of that 85% drink responsibly. Be one of those responsible people and plan your weekend ahead.

Take the designated driver with you and don't put yourself in a position of making a decision of whether or not you must drive after you have already influenced your brain with alcohol.

Major Cawthon stated that since a lot of people will be pulling boats to the lake that we should take the time to make sure that our vehicles and the trailers are in good condition.

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Sales tax rebates are down

August sales tax rebates issued to Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth reflected a decrease over rebates issued during the same period last year.

State Comptroller John Sharp is-

sued rebates totaling \$31,025.65 to the county's three cities, down 2.26% from 1991's payment.

Dimmitt earned the biggest share of the rebate, receiving a payment for \$28,593.26, but that was down .16%. Year-to-date, the city of Dimmitt is ahead .77% on its rebate checks, having received \$199,890.77, compared with \$198,353.79 by August of 1991.

Hart's rebate check for \$1,487.75 was down 21.72% (it was \$1,900.55 in 1991). For the year,

Hart has received \$10,419.90, 4.09% higher than payments issued for the same period last year.

A decrease of 21.54% was reflected in Nazareth's rebate check for August. The city received just \$944.64 compared with \$1,204.05 during the same month in 1991. Nazareth has received \$9,344.80 for the year, and that figure is slightly higher than 1991 figures for the comparable period.

This month's sales tax payments include taxes collected by monthly filers on June sales and by quarterly filers for April, May and June which were reported to the Comptroller in July.

Boulter plans Dimmitt stop

Republican Beau Boulter, 13th District congressional candidate, will be in Dimmitt Saturday night to meet with Dimmitt residents at the barbecue dinner, which will be held at the Expo Building beginning at 6 p.m.

Boulter is a former 13th District congressman and he is making a bid for the seat.

"Boulter offers fiscal responsibility and integrity to a congress falling short in both areas these days," said Deanne Clark of the Castro County Republican Organization for Women. "He saved the taxpayer \$119 billion through the Grace Commission when he served in congress from 1985 to 1989 and he promises to renew his efforts to 'help us get back to sane saving and spending practices.'"

Sarpalius to campaign here Tuesday

Bill Sarpalius, who is a Democratic and an incumbent candidate competing for the US House of Representatives 13th District seat will hold a coffee and informal discussion with local residents Tuesday morning at 8 at The Pancake House, 313-A North Broadway in Dimmitt (located at the south end of the Modern Carpet and Furniture Building). Everyone is invited to attend.

Cable company changes hands

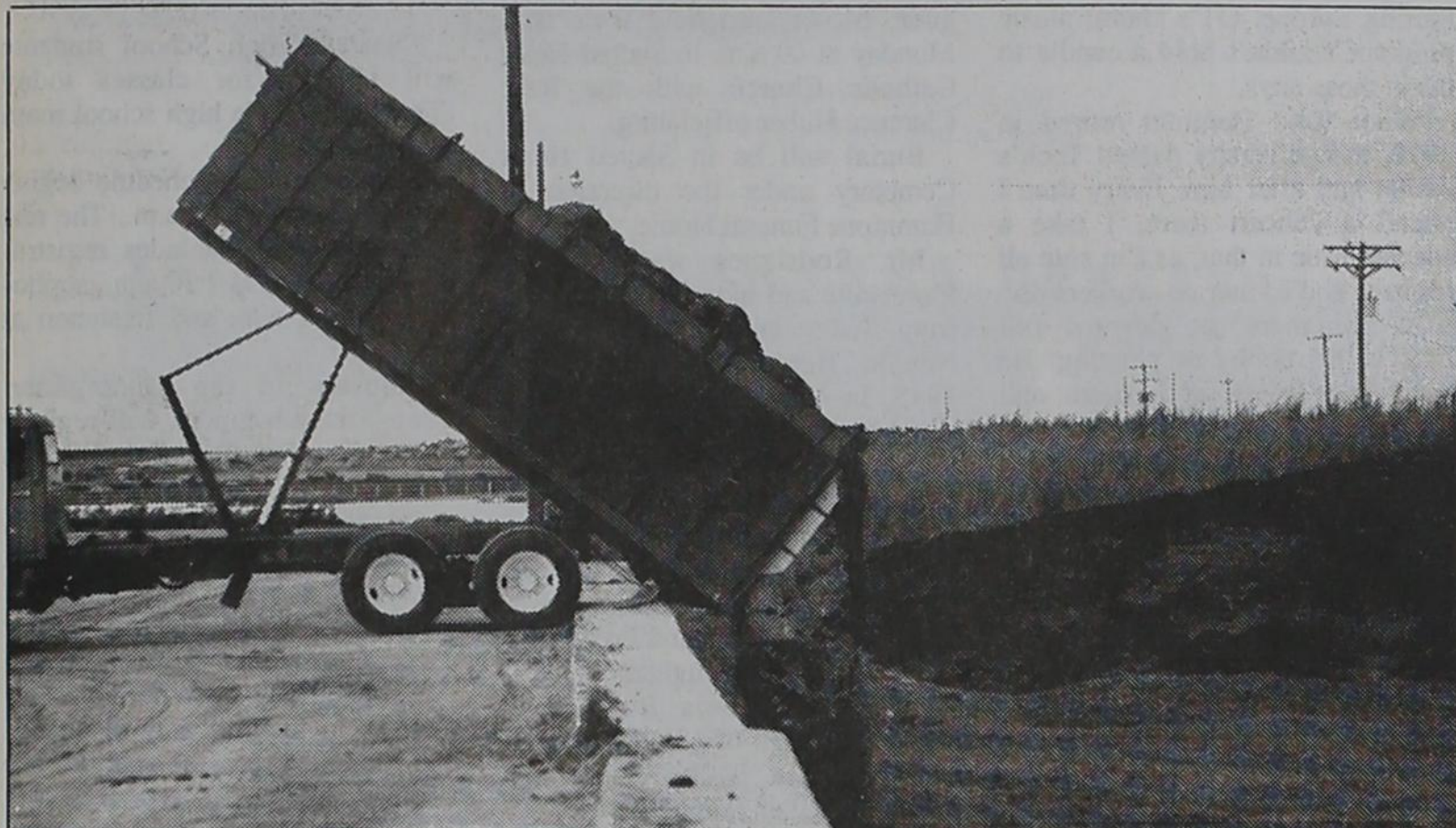
Ponca/Universal Holdings, Inc. has recently acquired Universal Cable Holdings, which serves the Dimmitt television cable system.

Ponca/Universal Holdings will change the local cable company's name from MultiVision to Classic Cable TV. The central office will still be located in Plainville, Kan., and the customer service telephone number will be 1-800-999-8876.



ENSILAGE CUTTING started this week in the county as thick fields of corn are being mowed and chopped for local feedyards. Here, custom harves-

ter Tommy Wethington of Nazareth operates an ensilage cutter on the Darrell Lacy farm between Hart and Nazareth. Photo by Deana McLain



INTO THE PIT at Hill Feed Yard at Hart goes another load of fresh ensilage, to serve as a major portion of the feed to be consumed in cattle

finishing during the coming year. A big percentage of the county's huge corn crop goes into the local cattle-feeding operations every year. Photo by Deana McLain

Cotton Talks

Understanding the rules regarding cotton contracts and "beneficial interest" was the goal of a meeting in Lubbock on Aug. 5.

Approximately 120 cotton producers, ginners and merchants met with US Dept. of Agriculture personnel and National Cotton Council staff members to learn about the new regulations.

According to officials with Plains Cotton Growers of Lubbock, the meeting provided some much needed insight into the way things will have to be done in 1992 and beyond.

Mike McCann, deputy director of the cotton price support division of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) stressed that the new rules will be implemented in 1992 and that producers need to understand them since eligibility for the Commodity Credit Corp. Loan program and the receipt of any applicable loan deficiency payment depends on the producer retaining "beneficial interest" in the cotton.

Beneficial interest is determined to remain with the producer if the producer retains control of the cotton, risk of loss and title to the cotton. McCann pointed out that there are numerous ways a producer can lose beneficial interest because of the way a contract is worded.

To help alleviate as many of these problems as possible, ASCS officials have agreed to review industry contracts in 1992 to make sure beneficial interest stays with the producer. McCann added that over 100 contracts already have been reviewed and will be used as a guide for state and county ASCS offices making determinations on contracts.

Bill Gillon, National Cotton Council head counsel, noted that producers who already have signed contracts for their 1992 cotton will be allowed to consult with other parties to the contract and have it revised to eliminate potentially troublesome language prior to ginning. Any changes in contracts made after the cotton is ginned, will not be recognized by ASCS.

McCann and Gillon stressed heavily the fact that in practically every case an advance payment to a producer constitutes a loss of beneficial interest.

Gillon recommends that producers and merchants look for the following items in contracts:

◆ Is the producer's ability to place cotton in CCC loan or request an LDP restricted by a specific clause in the contract?

◆ Does the contract specify when title to the cotton passes to the buyer?

◆ When is that time?

◆ Does the contract provide for an advance payment? If so, is the contract an option to purchase contract?

◆ If the cotton is damaged or destroyed, who is the ultimate beneficiary of any insurance coverage (be it insurance covering the producer, a gin or a warehouse)?

One new procedure for 1992 is that producers now can present a gin-tag list from the gin to request loan deficiency payments for cotton. Producers also will be able to

apply for loan deficiency payments on cotton the day it is sold as long as the producer met the requirements for eligibility prior to the sale. Producers will be eligible for the payment if they wait until the next day to make the loan deficiency payment request.

The message sent to producers and merchants who attended the Lubbock meeting is that contracting parties need to be aware of contract provisions that will affect loan and loan deficiency payment eligibility and evaluate the transaction based on that knowledge.

Producers are encouraged to have local ASCS offices review any proposed sales contract prior to its execution if they have questions about how it will affect program eligibility.

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1989 Chevrolet Celebrity

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1987 Chrysler 5th Avenue

4-door, AT, AC, PS, PB, cruise control, tilt, electric windows and locks, vinyl top, AM/FM radio, leather interior. 67,000 miles. Local one owner.

1986 Ford Ranger Pickup

White, AT, AC, PS, PB, V6 engine. 32,000 miles. One owner.

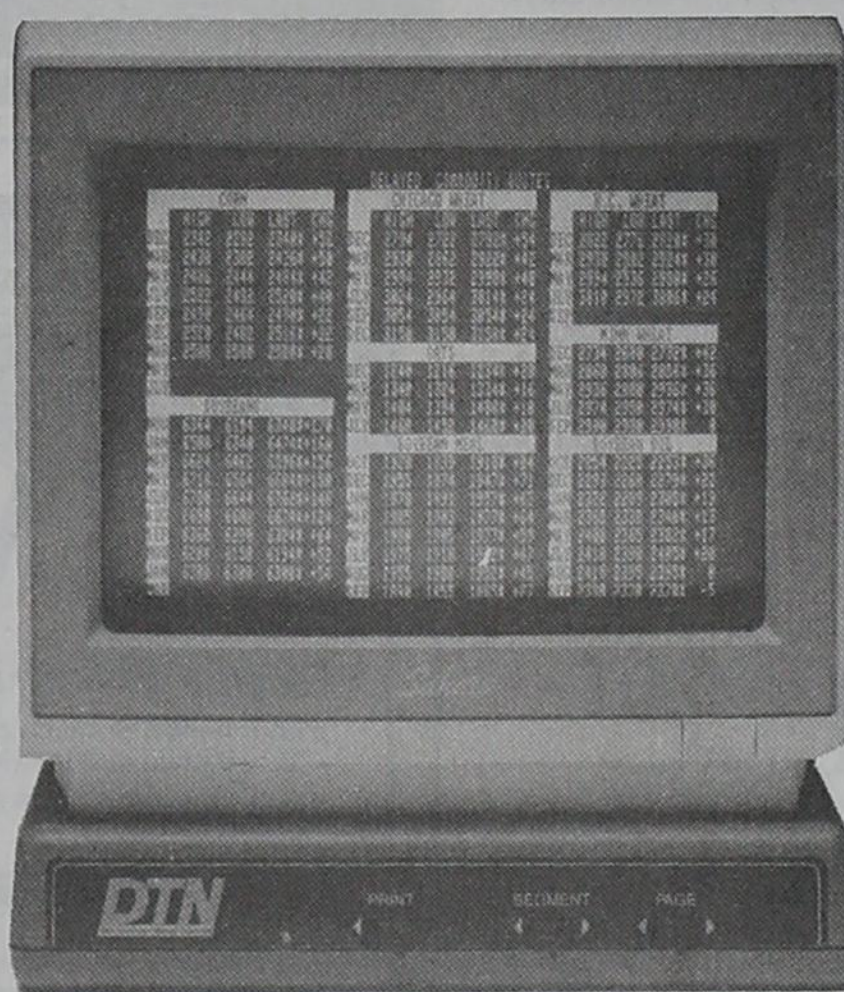
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Police Calls

Friday, three people were taken to Plains Memorial Hospital after a 1986 Chevrolet, driven by Brandi Rice, struck a 1991 Ford pickup driven by Tod Hatla.

Rice and passenger, Mitzie Heller, were traveling west in the 300 block of East Jones Street when Rice reportedly failed to yield right of way at a yield sign to Hatla, who was heading south in the 100 block of Southeast Third.

At PMH, Rice was treated for lacerations around the face and knee and was released, Hatla was treated and released, and Heller was transported to University Medical Center in Lubbock for a fractured finger and possible head injuries.

On August 8, a vehicle left the scene after striking a 1986 Oldsmobile Delta 88 that was unattended. The Oldsmobile was parked in the 600 block of Northwest Fifth when it was struck on the left side.

Jamie Perez was backing his 1960 GMC pickup out of a driveway when it struck the left corner of a 1980 Ford Ranger that was unattended on August 9. No charges were filed.

An accident occurred in the 300 block of South Broadway when the 1979 Chevy Malibu driven by Edward Irlbeck struck a 1983 Cadillac driven by Roberta Martin. Both vehicles were south bound when Irlbeck attempted to turn his vehicle left from the outside lane and struck the Cadillac. Both vehicles received light damage and were driven away from the scene.

On August 5 an accident occurred in the 300 block of Northwest Third when Aranda Ponciano's unattended 1989 Ford pickup was struck on the left back quarter by a vehicle that left the scene.

A 36-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested on August 5 on charges of public intoxication when a clerk at Town and Country informed police that he was harrasing customers and was asked to leave the store but refused.

A 23-year-old woman told authorities that her husband had slapped her several times and pushed her against a vehicle causing injury to her wrist on August 5.

On August 6, a 30-year-old Dimmitt man was booked for assault and violation of parole.

Annette Gonzales of Dimmitt told police on August 7 that someone had entered her home through the bathroom window without consent causing damage to the window screen.

Claudia Luna of Dimmitt told authorities on August 7 that she had been threatened with bodily harm.

Belinda Stewart of Dimmitt reported criminal trespassing on August 9. The suspect went inside her residence, vandalized two screen windows and disorganized contents in the house.

A 28-year-old Muleshoe man was arrested on August 9 at the Star Dance Hall on charges of public intoxication.

Joe Agüero of Dimmitt told police on August 9 that he was hit by a Chevrolet pickup while standing by a vehicle in the street causing a cut on his left elbow, scratches, possible bruised ribs and a possible broken left leg. The suspect left the scene and was later charged for failure to stop and render aid.

A 19-year-old Dimmitt man was issued a citation for possession of alcohol on August 9 when police observed him trying to spin his pickup's tires.

A 20-year-old Dimmitt woman told police that her husband had broken the window pane on the front door of her parent's home when she would not let him in.

Jeff Dodson of Dimmitt reported to authorities that someone had broken the driver's side window out of his 1988 Ford work pickup on August 10.

Avery Thrasher of Dimmitt told authorities on August 8 that unknown person(s) had burglarized three vehicles at Thrasher Auto

Sales. Items taken were two radios and a battery and cable.

On August 9 at approximately the same time, police received several reports of criminal mischief and vandalism.

—Stanley Harris of Idalou reported that the driver's side window of his 1982 Pontiac Trans Am had been broken out.

—Prentice Thomas of Dimmitt reported that someone had broken out his left rear window and tore the chrome off his 1985 Buick Skylark.

—John Kovacs of Dimmitt reported that two of his vehicles received damage. A window and mirror had been broken on his 1981 Dodge pickup and paint had been scratched on the rear doors of his 1989 Suburban.

—Marie Montiel of Dimmitt told police that someone had broken the back right window out of her 1988 Celebrity.

—Esmeralda Espinoza reported that someone had broken out the back window of her 1978 Ford Thunderbird.

Angel Garibaldi told police on August 8 that someone took the tires, rims and tubes off her bicycle that was chained to a tree in her front yard at the time of the incident.

Coby Heller told police on August 9 that someone had used a sharp object to slice the right back tire of his 1985 Ford Bronco.

Pauline Manning told authorities on August 10 that someone had shot out the back windshield of her 1977 Ford LTD with a BB gun.

On August 8, a 50-year-old woman was arrested for tampering with government records.

A 20-year-old Friona man was arrested on August 9 on charges of theft by check.

On August 9, a 29-year-old Muleshoe man was jailed due to intoxication.

Early Settlers to meet Aug. 15

The Castro County Early Settlers Reunion will be held Saturday in conjunction with the Harvest Days celebration.

Registration for the Early Settlers Reunion will begin at 10 a.m. in the Castro County Senior Citizens Center, 218 West Jones Street in Dimmitt. Those registering for the reunion will be able to view the Harvest Days parade from the Senior Citizens Center.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at 12 noon to those attending the reunion. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. The bread will be furnished by Bill Sanders.

During the afternoon, visiting and "reminiscing with old friends" is on the agenda.

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1942 will hold its 50th reunion that day and for more information about this reunion you can contact Alvin or Frances Frazier, 1000 Oak Street, Dimmitt 79027 or call them at 647-4340.

Cookout sets fire

A cookout sparked more than appetites Tuesday night as 16 firemen and four vehicles of the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. reported to a mobile home fire around 7 p.m.

Sparks from an outdoor grill had started a small fire in the underpinnings of a mobile home on Southwest Fifth occupied by Wylene Maynard.

The fire was quickly extinguished and firemen reported no significant damage to the home.

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"Now, this young man's voice is in the normal baritone range," Dr. Hemmle told the class. "If he were singing professionally, I'd advise him not to use the top of his range too much because it would wear out his voice too fast. You know, many professional singers who have tenor voices sing baritone to extend their careers."

(I didn't know that. I was like most other young singers — I thought the impressive thing to do was to sing as high as you could, as loudly as you could.)

That was my first lesson from him. The first of many.

"I hope you didn't mind being used as a guinea pig," he said apologetically after analyzing my voice before the class.

"No, sir," I said. Actually I was flattered.

Doc Hemmle didn't fit the mold of what I thought a college professor would be. He loved his kids. He was a walking bundle of enthusiasm, and a human dynamo. Ultimately, he would raise almost a million dollars and build the Dept. of Music from four instructors and 50 music majors to a highly respected School of Music with 90 faculty members and more than 400 music majors.

The music department started the fall semester of '51 still in the barracks building. I went there five times a week for Tech Choir practice and once or twice a week for private lessons (one of the side benefits of a music scholarship).

I remember one of our choir rehearsals, when he was trying to get the right sound from us on a German song. The opening line was *Zwischen Himmel und Erd, hoch in die Luft Mir* ("Between heaven and earth, high in the sky I find myself.")

"I want that heavy German sound on this," he said, and showed us exactly how to use our mouths, throats and diaphragms to get it. "I want this to sound as German, as

square-headed as... as Nelson's head." (I had a flat-top at the time.)

We hit it. *S-VISS-shen HIM-mel und EHR-d—*

Before we finished the first phrase, he turned around and kicked a hole in the wall.

"That's it!" he yelled.

He tried to get me to change majors. If I would major in music, he said, he would get me into the Robert Shaw Chorale or Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians.

But I stuck with my plan. After a year at Tech, I was going to transfer to UT-Austin, then save the world through journalism. I didn't think I had the temperament to be a professional musician. It was a heavy decision for a 17-year-old kid, but I haven't regretted it.

In later years, Verbie and I could only sigh as we watched Doc Hemmle's Tech Choir on the Ed Sullivan Show, or read about them touring Europe. UT's choral music program couldn't hold a candle to his in those days.

When Doc Hemmle retired in 1979, the university named Tech's recital hall after him. Every time I attend a concert there, I take a special pride in that, as I'm sure all his exes and former co-workers do.

In retirement, he devoted full time to his hobby of painting. He brought a lot of enthusiasm and commitment to excellence to that, too, and gained a wide reputation as an artist.

The tributes to Doc Hemmle will

Barbecue meal is set during Harvest Days

The Dimmitt Promenaders will sponsor a barbecued meal on Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Expo.

Tickets may be purchased from Bill Henderson in advance for \$6 for adults and \$4.50 for children. Tickets bought at the door will be \$6.50.

More about

Classes . . .

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students start school that day, elementary students won't report for the first day of classes until Tuesday.

Elementary school students must be accompanied by a parent when registering. School officials request that first-time students bring shot records, birth certificates, social security numbers and if applicable, records from other schools (for older students).

New Hart teachers will report for in-service work today (Thursday) and other teachers will start on Friday.

Hart schools will observe new hours this year, with the first bell of the day set to ring at 8 a.m. and the tardy bell set for five minutes later. School will dismiss at 3:40 p.m.

Obituary

Martin Rodriguez

Services for Martin P. Rodriguez, 64, of Littlefield were held Monday at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. Clarence Huber officiating.

Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

Mr. Rodriguez was born in Floresville and moved to Littlefield from Sudan in 1963. He married Natalia Hernandez on Jan. 16, 1945, in Crystal City. He was a warehouseman for Levelland Cotton Compress. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife; eight sons, Richardo of Dimmitt, Gilbert and Martin Jr., both of Denver, Colo., Ruben of Lubbock, and Rolando, Reyes, Valdo and Freddy, all of Littlefield; six daughters, Victoria Nuevevez, Maria Rolaza and Rosario Faz, all of Littlefield, Carmen Gonzales, Stella Rendon and Modesta Miller, all of Las Vegas, Nev.; 31 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Manuel Lemon Jr., Augustine Rodriguez, Richardo Rodriguez Jr., Freddie Rodriguez, Robert Tijerna Jr. and Renee Duran.

Nazareth

Nazareth High School students will register for classes today (Thursday) in the high school math room.

The registration schedule begins with the seniors at 8 a.m.. The rest of the schedule includes registration for juniors at 9:30 a.m., sophomores at 11 a.m. and freshmen at 1:30 p.m.

Students in the kindergarten through eighth grades will register on the first day of school, which is Monday.


On Monday, the first bell will ring at 8:12 a.m., with the tardy bell set to ring at 8:15 a.m. School will dismiss at 3:27.

Nazareth will hold its traditional flag raising and opening day ceremonies on the first day of school and parents and the public are invited to attend.

Nazareth High School Principal Don Wood reminds parents to make sure students "have their hair cut above collar (no tails) or they won't register."

Nazareth teachers will report on Friday.

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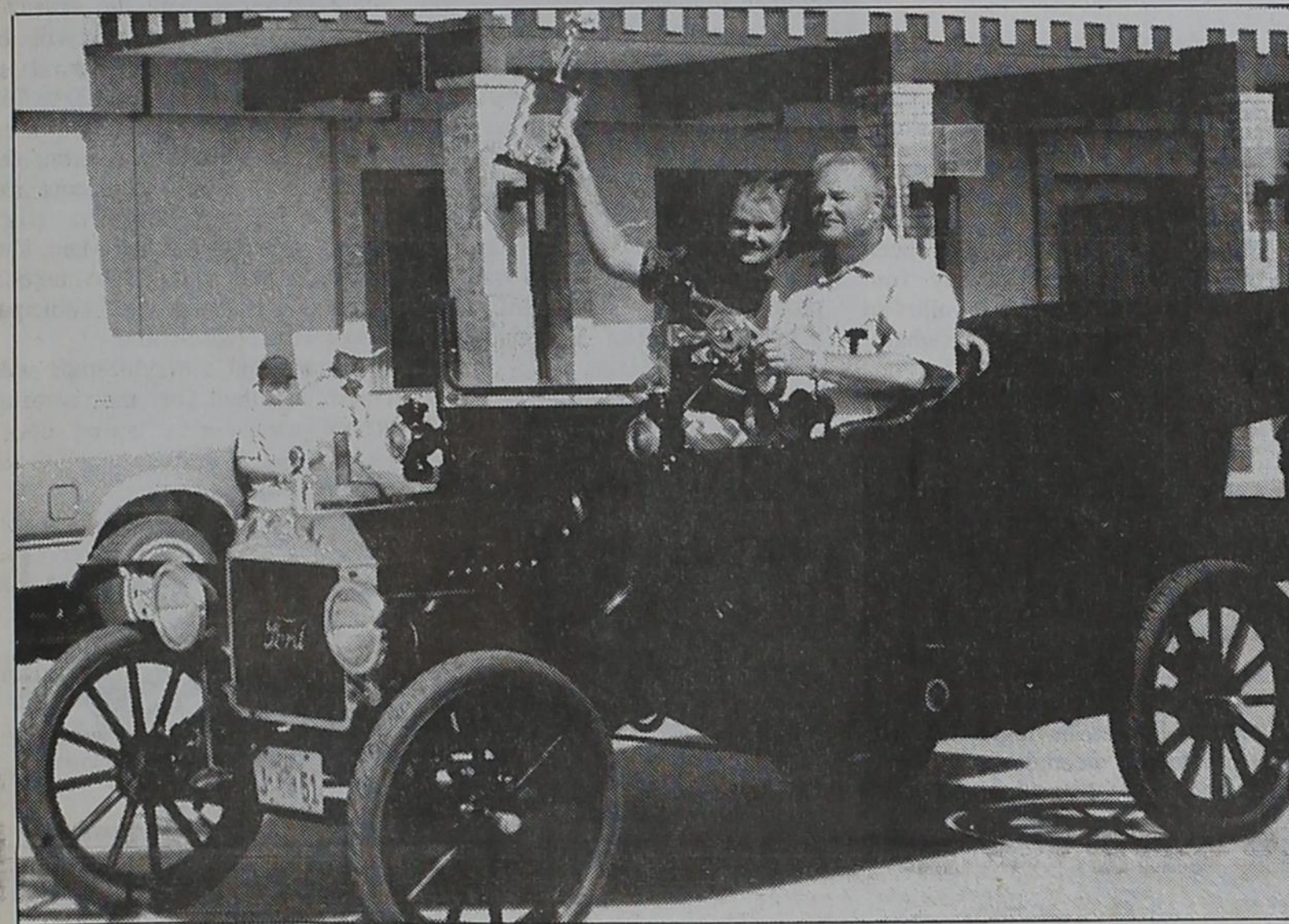
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'BLIND VOLLEYBALL' event at the Hart Days celebration Saturday ends up in a soaking for participant Kathleen Higgins.



B.J. THE DACHSHUND
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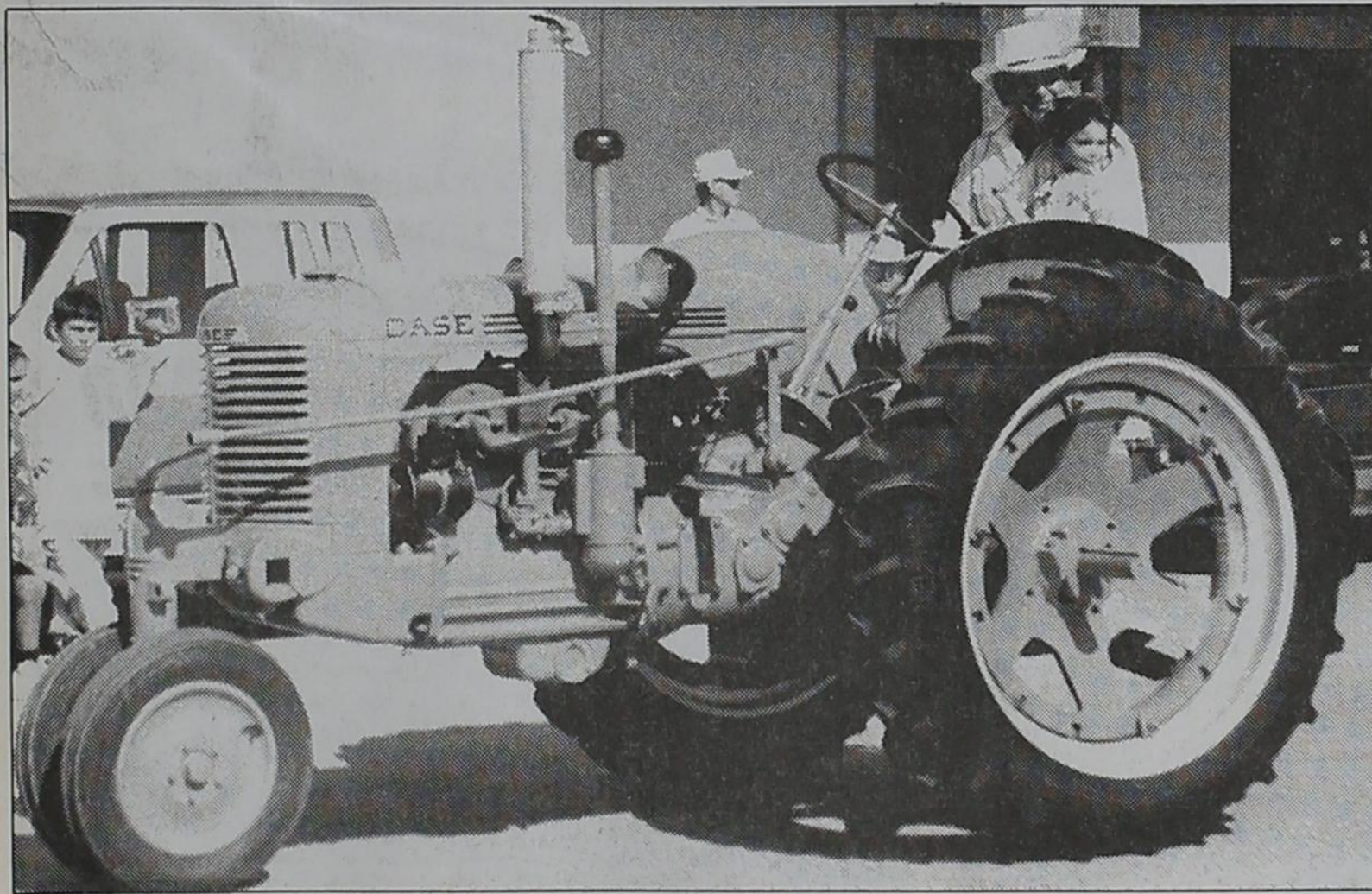
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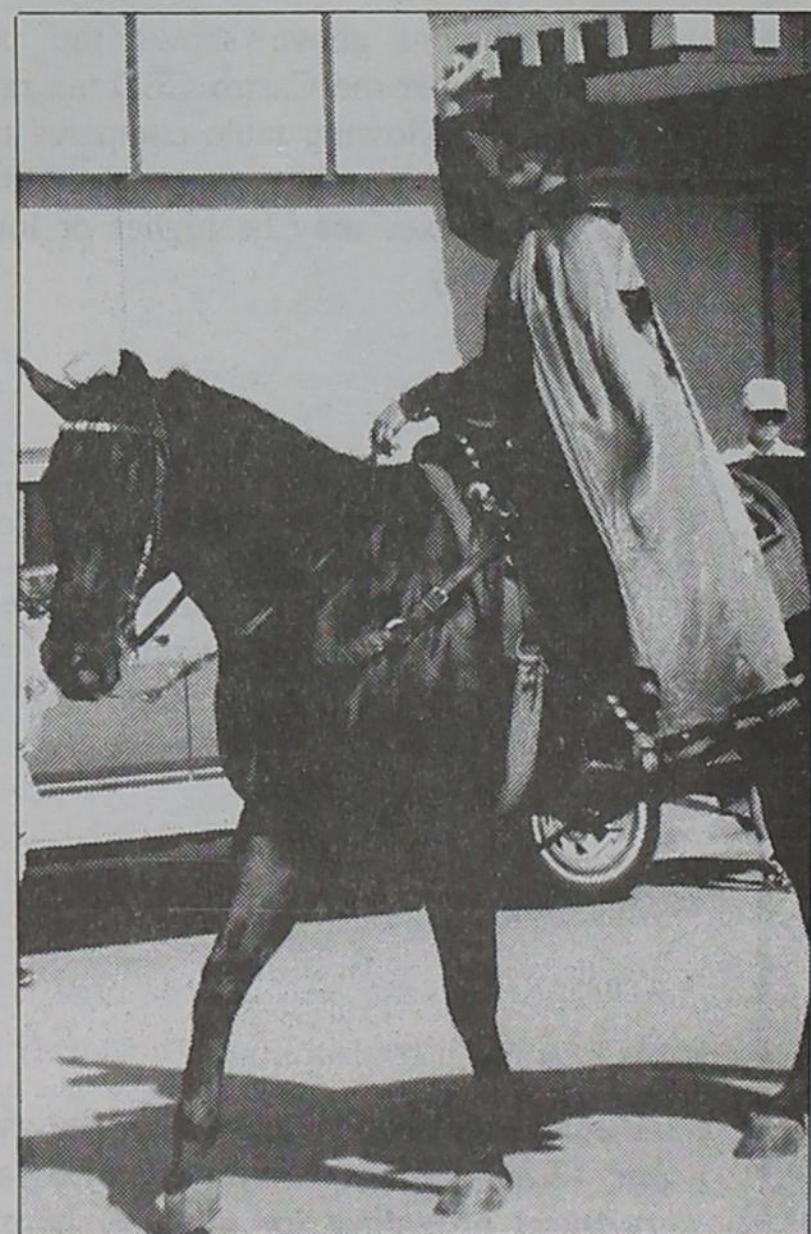
1954 CASE TRACTOR IN HART PARADE
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... Won by Poncho, the horse, accompanied by Jordie, Nickie and Newlon Rowland.



SCREAMING WITH EXCITEMENT
... Youngsters enjoy a roller coaster ride at Hart Days.



THE RED RAIDER APPEARS IN HART
... Jason Spence of Tahoka represents Texas Tech University.

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Harvest Days celebration . . .

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Pump building. (Will be divided into two sections).

THREE WHEELERS & SMALL MOTOR VEHICLES: At Stinson and Southeast Second St., north of Dimmitt Equipment. (Will be between the two sections of tractors).

MISCELLANEOUS AND UNIQUE: Parking lot of Hi Plains Oil Co., 206 Southeast Second St. (Clowns, college mascots, victory bell, etc.) Will be inserted between divisions.

You may still enter the parade by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at 647-2524.

The arts and crafts show and fair exhibits will remain on display Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

At 10 a.m. the parade is scheduled to begin. Also at this time, registration for the Early Settlers' Reunion will be held at the Senior Citizens Center, 218 W. Jones in Dimmitt.

The second annual Dimmitt Car Show and Swap Meet will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the First State Bank parking lot. Admission to the event is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children ages 7 to 12, with children under seven admitted free. Trophies will be presented to winners in the car show at 5:30 p.m.

Those attending Saturday's day-long celebration will have a wide variety of foods and snacks to select from including hamburgers, fajitas, hot dogs, funnel cakes, turkey wings, greater taters, barbecue and more.

The Early Settlers will hold a potluck lunch at 12 noon at the Senior Citizens' Center.

Outdoor games including a pillow fight, parachute jump, dunking board, horseshoe pitching tournament, water polo and pumper teams, great duck race and volleyball tournament will begin at 12 noon and will continue through 4 p.m.

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Redistricting problems haunt county . . .

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Smith voiced his objections, saying the "March 10 election is legally unenforceable. . . I will make a motion that the election be null and void, even if the majority of the commissioners' court don't believe in redistricting. . . I also will make a motion that we draw up two 70% minority precincts and not to delete the minority in Pct. 1 today, then fax this to the US Justice Dept. for preclearance, then have a legal election for two commissioners for Castro County."

Smith asked commissioners to "allow Pct. 1 to use 'excess' money not used in the 1991-92 budget for road construction," but after reviewing Pct. 1's budget, commissioners could find no "excess"

money and Smith's motion died for lack of a second.

"I need to know how much excess money you are talking about," Simpson told Smith, who replied that "there's a lot of extra in gross pay."

County Auditor Maretha Smithson told commissioners that Smith had 33% of his budget left, but that she couldn't see that there would be any excess in gross pay.

"I have 33% of my budget left and I've already used up 10 months. It doesn't take a very smart guy to figure out I've got a lot of excess in my budget," Smith said.

When Simpson asked Smith to show the commissioners where the excess was, he responded that it was in his budget.

"By the time you pay for your

seal coating, that'll take care of any excess money you might have.

Smith made the motion to transfer "excess" money out of his budget to pay for "free" fly ash from DePauw Construction Company.

The other commissioners and Judge Simpson reminded Smith that he had to pay to have the material broken out, crushed and hauled, and that it was not "free."

"I can't take my loader down there, pick it up and haul it out of there, can I?" Pct. 3 Commissioner Jeff Robertson asked Smith.

"No, you've got to let them load it up and haul it," Smith said.

When asked what DePauw Construction charged for that, Smith replied he thought it was \$3 or \$3.50 per ton. But he insisted that the material was "free."

The horseshoe tournament will begin at 1 p.m. on the Expo grounds and entry fee is \$20 per two-man team. To enter a team call 647-2536 or 647-4489 in the evenings; or 647-2524 days.

J.D. Ragland, county Extension agent, is organizing a popular kids' event for this year's celebration—a petting zoo. Ragland said he hopes to have potbellied pigs, llamas, ducks, geese, baby pigs, baby lambs and more at the petting zoo, which will be held from 12 noon to 4 p.m. in the Quonset Barn, next to the Expo Building.

The Castro County Museum Association will hold an open house at the museum Saturday between 12 noon and 5 p.m.

The "Idiotic Things" (I.T.) competition makes a return appearance at this year's Harvest Days celebration, and it will begin at 1 p.m. at the Expo Building. Anyone who wishes to enter a team in the event should contact the Chamber of Commerce office at 647-2524. The competition will feature several "idiotic" relay events.

Between 1 and 4 p.m., members of the Fair Association will collect for the "cow patty bingo," which will be held at 4 p.m. east of the Expo Building.

Kids' games will be held from 2 to 3 and the Top of Texas Cloggers will perform from 3 to 4 p.m. on the stage in the Expo Building.

Special drawings and awards will be presented between 4 and 5 p.m. in the Expo Building.

The Dimmitt Promenaders will hold a barbecue dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Expo Building. Tickets may be purchased in advance from any member of the Promenaders and will be \$6 for adults and \$4.50 for children. Tickets at the door will be \$6.50 per person.

After the barbecue, the Dimmitt Promenaders will hold a square dance at the Expo Building and admission is free to the public.

A street dance, featuring music by Nazareth's Rough Riders Band, will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. east of the courthouse. The dance is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and admission is free to the public.

Earlier in the meeting, Smith had charged that since he has been commissioner ("for nearly four years") he has "never been allowed to have a budget close to what I have wanted and needed."

"The new 1992-93 budget drawn up for Pct. 1 is awful," Smith said. "I want the people of Pct. 1 to have a chance at a public hearing soon to have an input on the budget. I want most of the money spent like the Rural Technical Assistance Program teaches us to build roads."

When commissioners started working on the 1992-93 budget Monday morning, Smith announced he was leaving. He did not return to the meeting and he also was not present at a budget workshop which was held Tuesday.

More about

DISD reviews . . .

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passed reading, 59.8% in writing and 29.9% in math. In the seventh grade, local averages registered 39.4% passing the reading portion, 47.2% in writing and 39.8% in math. The percentage of local ninth graders who passed reading was averaged at 54.3%, writing at 51.5% and math at 46.2%. At the exit level, averages were listed at 68.6% for reading, 95.3% for writing and 63.2% for math.

The district plan calls for recruiting more bilingual teachers, making an effort to slow the turnover rate in special ed and advanced science personnel, and show more appreciation and recognition for staff and teachers. It also suggests taking an aggressive approach to recruiting and retaining qualified personnel.

Separate plans for each campus were revealed at Monday's meeting, with the campus principals spelling out more details about how the schools could work toward the goals.

Other TEA-specified goals include increasing the percentage of student attendance, decreasing the drop-out rate, and increasing the percentage of students who take college admissions exams.

In other business, the board approved the list of teacher appraisers for the 1992-93 school year. Performing evaluations will be R.L. Stockstill, Mike Smith, Les Miller, Gainell Minnick, Kenneth Cleveland, Lyman Schroeder, George Rasor, Doricell Davis, Kay Gfeller, and R.E. Barrett. The list was approved by five of the board members present. Rita McDaniel abstained from the vote.

Bids were accepted for suppliers of milk, bread and fuel for the schools for the coming school year.

Plains Creamery submitted the only bid for milk products, including 14 cents per half-pint of lowfat milk and 15 cents for regular; 15 cents for lowfat chocolate and 16 cents for regular chocolate; 14 cents for buttermilk; \$2.34 per dozen ice cream cups; and \$1.55 for cottage cheese.

B&S Bakery submitted the only complete bid on bread products. Mrs. Baird's had offered an incom-

plete bid, saying they would not be able to supply croissants. B&S bid \$2.50 per 36 hamburger buns, \$1.05 per dozen hot dog buns, 75 cents per loaf of bread, and \$1.20 per half-dozen croissants.

Castro Oil & Gas offered the only bid on fuel, setting prices for gasoline and diesel at 39 cents below the posted price.

All board members approved the bids for milk and bread. Rick Wright abstained from the vote on the fuel, due to a possible conflict of interest.

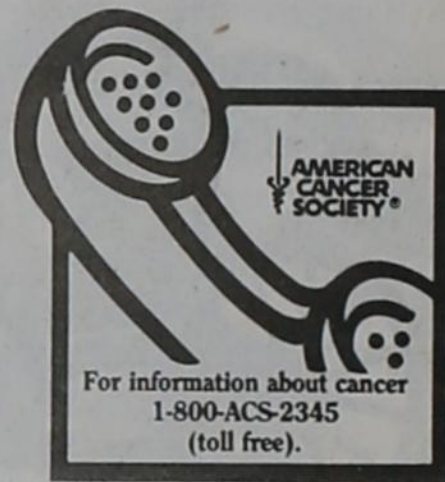
Action was postponed until the Aug. 24 meeting of the board on the possibility of "self-insuring" for employee health insurance. Supt. Bob Barrett said any self-insure plan would still include re-insurance for catastrophic expenses. But he noted that any increases would be smaller than the current rate of increase being experienced in the insurance industry.

Barrett told the board that the Texas Association of School Boards had notified the district that its rates would be increasing anywhere from 35% to 45% when it's time to renew on Sept. 1.

Board members gave approval for sale of two older pickups and a 1982 Ford car from the district's fleet. A "fleet" vehicle will be sought to replace the car at an estimated expense of \$5,000 to \$6,000.

After an executive session, the board took action to accept the resignation of Dimmitt High School Spanish teacher Mary Ontiveros, who resigned to take a position as assistant girls' principal at Hereford High School.

Barrett said Cheryl Smith will teach Spanish for the coming school year.



Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Castro County Education District will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in Castro CED by 13.88 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on August 24, 1992 at noon in the Dimmitt ISD Boardroom, 608 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

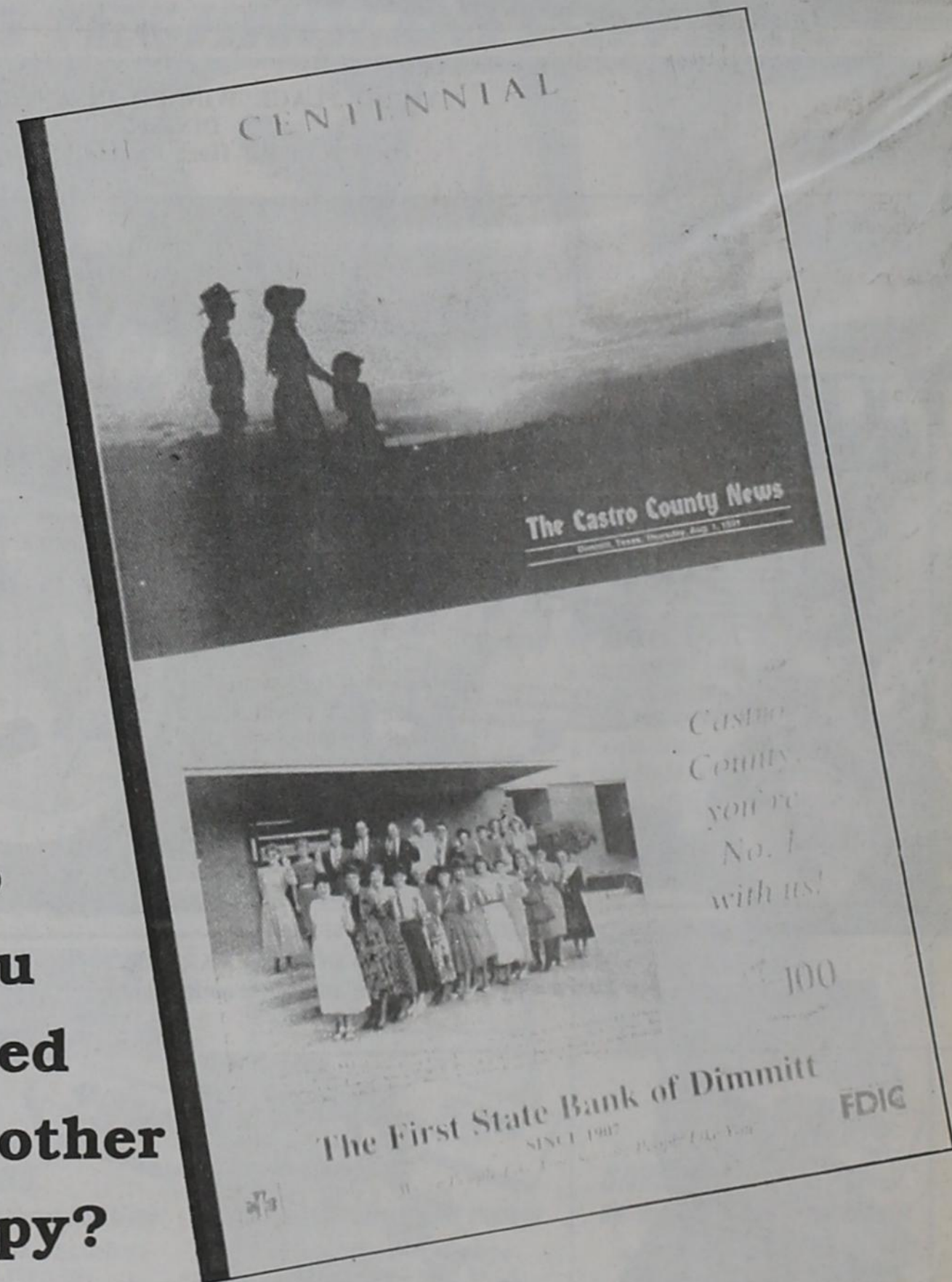
FOR the proposal: Harold Bob Bennett, Al Kleman, David Schaeffer
AGAINST the proposal:
PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the Castro CED tax rate that the unit published on August 13, 1992. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$30,000	\$30,000
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$11,000	\$11,000
Average taxable value	\$19,000	\$19,000 (proposed)
Tax rate	72/\$100	82/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$136.80	\$155.80

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$19.00 or 13.88 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.10 per \$100 of taxable value or 13.88 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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The Castro County News

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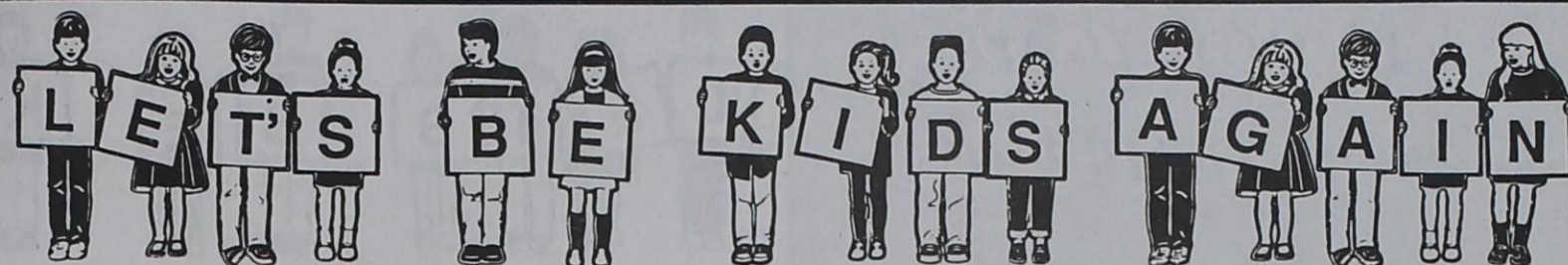
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You'll find the highlights
of your childhood years
in this section.



Harvest Days 1992

Through Saturday

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Thursday

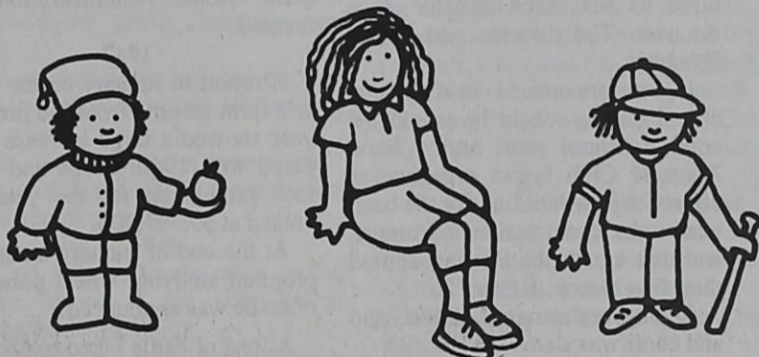
11-6: Set Up Fair Exhibits
& Quilt EntriesExpo Bldg.
7: Team Roping
& Youth Steer RidingRodeo Arena

Friday

9-6: Fair ExhibitsExpo Bldg.
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11:30: "Eat To Be Well and Happy"Expo Bldg.
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Kozy Korner, Tots & Teens, Village Shop
5: Pet ShowExpo Bldg.
8: RodeoRodeo Arena

Saturday

9-5: Fair ExhibitsExpo Bldg.
9-5: Arts & Crafts ShowExpo Bldg.
10: ParadeBedford, Jones Streets
10: Old Settlers'
RegistrationSr. Citizens' Center
11:30-6: Dimmitt Car Show
& Swap MeetFirst State Bank Parking Lot
12: Old Settlers' ReunionSr. Citizens' Center
12-4: Outdoor GamesFairgrounds
*Dunking Board, Pillow Fight, Parachute Jump
Horseshoe Pitching, Water Polo & Pumper Teams
Great Duck Race and Volleyball Tournament*
1: I.T. CompetitionFairgrounds
12-4: Petting ZooQuonset Barn
12-5: Museum Open HouseMuseum
1-4: Cow Patty BingoEast of Expo Bldg.
2-3: Kids' GamesExpo Area
3-4: Top of Texas CloggersExpo Bldg.
4-5: Drawings & AwardsExpo Bldg.
5:30: Car Show Trophy
PresentationFirst State Bank Parking Lot
6-8: Barbecue DinnerExpo Bldg.
8: RodeoRodeo Arena
8: Square DanceExpo Bldg.
9-1: Street DanceEast of Courthouse
Rough Riders Band



THREE GENERATIONS of the Reeford Burrous family catch the spirit of the 1992 Harvest Days celebration, "Let's Be Kids Again." Betty Burrous (left), her two daughters, Shanee Lust (fourth from left) and Sherri Matthews (right) show that they can still enjoy being kids as they join the Matthews' children, Taylor (second from left), Amber (third from left) and Tawnee, in a backyard baseball game.
Photo by Linda Maxwell

If you were a kid in the '40s



From a child's point of view, probably the most important local events in the 1940s were the building of the swimming pool, skating rink and bowling alley, along with the installation of playground equipment at the park.

A real nuisance for playtimes was caused by all the illness scares — polio, tuberculosis, undulant fever, and meningitis.

Of course, the dominating event of the 1940s was World War II and all of the effects it had on daily life, such as the draft, rationing, and drives.

At least seven major "War Loans" were called for from the American public, and Castro County citizens met or exceeded the county's assigned quota each time in War Bond sales.

Even the children could do their part for their country by helping in the various drives for collecting paper, scrap metal, rubber, clothing, and even salvaged kitchen fat!

In 1943, over 600,000 pounds of scrap metal was collected in a drive at the end of summer.

How far you could travel, what and how much you could eat, how often you could buy new clothes or shoes were all affected by the war. Rationing included meat, sugar, shoes, canned food, vehicles, tires, tubes and even pressure canners.

In May of 1942, 1,622 persons registered for sugar rationing.

In February of 1942, Dimmitt High School held a dedication for a "Defense Shop" built to teach electric welding to young men ages 17 to 25, and in April, the mechanics students offered to perform car repairs free.

Because of the war, housewives and children were entering employment at a much greater rate than in

the past, and prisoners from the POW camp near Hereford were used for farm labor in the area.

Of course, for children a big concern was "When is Daddy coming home?" or "When will I see my brother again?" or "When will I be old enough to go?"

Meanwhile, life went on:

SCHOOL

1942
In the fall, school enrollment was listed at 438, and an article in the "Bobcat Tales" section of the Castro County News asked the question whether 8:45 a.m. was too early to start the school day. In September, the starting time was moved to 9:45 with dismissal at 4:30 p.m., but in October it was adjusted again, with starting at 9:30 a.m. and dismissal at 4:15 p.m.

Also in the Bobcat Tales, boys were advised how to manage a date without cash, fashion fads were described and shorter hairstyles were noted.

1943
In May, Dimmitt High School became affiliated with the National Honor Society. School opening in September was delayed a week due to an outbreak in the area of infantile paralysis (polio). In October, the Bobcats were named Champions of District 1-A in football.

1944
In March, the Regional crown went to the Bobcat Basketball team.

1945
Consolidation elections were held in 1945 to combine local school districts. Bethel, Cleo, Sunnyside, Easter, Jumbo and Flagg all consolidated with the Dimmitt school, and Mulkey melded with Hart.

1946
In February, the DHS Science Club became affiliated with Science Clubs of America, and in March the Bobcats won second in the regional tournament in basketball. In September, the school district's bid was accepted to obtain some of the buildings from the defunct POW camp.

1947
The school tax rate was the subject of an election called in June. The school board wanted to raise the tax rate from \$1 to \$1.50 per \$100 property valuation to retire a bonded indebtedness of \$115,000 that carried a 5% interest rate.

Student enrollment in September was 552. In November, the Bobcats football team was in a three-way tie for co-champions of the district, but lost the toss to determine who would play in a tie breaker to advance in competition.

1948
In January, four Bobcats were named to the All-District Football team. In March, the Bobcats won the regional basketball tournament and went on to place third in state, with one player named to the All-State team.

A contract was let in March for construction of a new football stadium, with the money donated through a public fund drive. In May, an election was called to consolidate the Rance School District with Dimmitt's, and the school hired its first band director since the war. The director was Nolan Froehner.

It was announced in July that choral classes would be taught the coming school year, and a Band Boosters Club began organization efforts. A new building for the band was under construction in August, and that month the Bobcats started their first season in Class B.

A joint performance of the band and choir was slated for Dec. 22.

1949
The Band Boosters finally held their organizational meeting on

March 7. In May, the Bobcats' mile relay team went to state. In December the boiler blew up at Dimmitt Grade School.

AGRICULTURE

1942
The first wheat harvested in the Panhandle in 1942 was cut in June in Castro County, but later in June hail damaged 100 sections of farmland in the county.

1943
The number of irrigations wells in the county was estimated at 300, which indicated that about one-third of the farms in the county had at least some irrigation.

The first commercial handling of potatoes in Dimmitt was announced in the Aug. 12 issue of the News. A plot of 120 acres was expected to yield 1,500 sacks of potatoes at a price of \$2.50 per 100-pound sack.

1944
In 1944, the Farm Bureau organized in Castro County.

1945
The 1945 wheat yield was reported in June to be "far beyond expectations," and in July a bumper potato crop was announced. Also, a protracted drought was broken.

In August, it was announced that the possibility of establishing a potato processing plant in Dimmitt was being investigated.

1946
A record potato yield was noted in August. In November, the Farmers' Home Administration was created.

1947
A report in January on the county's farm income from the previous year showed a large increase compared with 1940. Crops and livestock production for the year was valued at \$9,797,000.

At the end of January a research program studying wheat poisoning of cattle was announced.

A load of cattle taken to Oklahoma City Stockyards by Homer Hill in June received the highest load lot price ever paid there, with an aver-

age price of \$27 per hundred-weight.

Also in June, it was announced that Castro County was ranked 75th among the top 100 wheat-producing counties in the nation. An informative article stated that 50 acres of wheat could be harvested in a 10-hour day.

In October, the Running Water Soil Conservation District was created by a recent election.

1948
The Plainview Production Credit Association returned the last of its government capital back to the US Treasury by January of 1948, making it wholly owned and operated on the local level.

Farm property in Castro County was valued at a total of \$14,777,000.

The sugar beet industry was scheduled to get underway Feb. 26. At the end of May it was announced that vegetable growers were soliciting acreage in the area.

In March a survey was conducted to determine the need for a cotton gin in Dimmitt, and a gin site was selected near the first of May.

1949
A drought in the county was broken in January when rain, snow and sleet pelted the area.

In October, the Farm Bureau interceded in the quest for farm labor, looking into the possibility of obtaining Mexican Nationals to work in local fields. October also had a report of bumper crop yields in the county.

In December a referendum was announced for the cotton program.

BUSINESS

1943
In February, a wildcat oil well was drilled in Castro County to a depth of 5,500 feet.

In March, B.M. Nelson became the editor of the *Castro County News*, and the Nelsons purchased the newspaper operation in December.

Payroll deductions for income

taxes were explained in July.

1944
Damage was estimated at \$100,000 when the Farmers Grain Elevator in Hart caught fire in the last part of July. (Five years later the facility doubled its capacity.)

Prospects for getting a north-south bus line through Dimmitt were hailed as "good" in September, and a flying school was organized here the same month.

1945
The Rio Theatre in Dimmitt came under new ownership, and in January a city airport, known as Bobcat Field, was opened. Plans for a swimming pool were discussed in March, the excavation started in April and the pool opened in August.

In June, C.W. Boothe announced plans to build a grain elevator, and in November the community began selling memberships in the Plains Memorial Hospital Association.

1946
Construction plans for the hospital were looked at in January, and the association's first membership meeting was held in February, when an architect was selected.

Three brick business buildings in Dimmitt changed hands in March at a total transaction price of \$20,000.

In August, an organizational meeting was held for the Castro County Chamber of Commerce, and later Sidney Reeves was named the first manager of the Chamber. Plains Memorial Hospital received buildings from the POW camp, increasing bed space by 20 to 30 beds.

In November, Bobcat Field was approved as a pilot training field, and in December a bus line was approved to pass through Dimmitt. Christmas lighting was used around town for the first time since the war.

1947
In January, it was announced that the 19 millionth Chevrolet vehicle had come off the assembly line.

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What a Great Schedule!

CASTRO COUNTY HARVEST DAYS - DIMMITT, TEXAS - AUGUST 11 - 15, 1992

Date & Time	Event	Sponsored By	Contact & Location
August 10	Registration for Rodeo Entries	Cowboy Recreational Rodeo Co.	Jess Blackwell, 817/592-4202
August 11 - 15	Westland Amusements Carnival	Dimmitt Chamber - Special Family Night is Thursday 7-10 PM \$6/person unlimited rides	N.W. of Expo
August 12	Local Rodeo Event Sign Up (2 PM - 6 PM)	Dimmitt Roping Club	Lonny Robb, 647-4371
Thursday, August 13 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Fair & Quilt Entries Due at the Expo	Castro Co. Fair & Quilt Assn. / Expo 403 S.E. 4th	Y. Hays 5214; C. Osborn 4115
7:00 PM	Team Roping	Dimmitt Roping Club	Rodeo Arena
Friday, August 14			
9:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Arts & Crafts and Fair Exhibits	Castro Co. Fair & Quilt Assn.	Chamber 647-2524, Expo 647-9275
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	"Eat To Be Well and Happy"	Cindy Sides Ebeling	Expo Stage
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	"Crisp Fashions For Fall" Style Show	Kozy Korner, Tots & Teens, The Village Shop	Expo Stage
5:00 PM	Pet Show - Bring your Pet	Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic, Dr. W.J. Hill	East of Expo
8:00 PM	Rodeo - Cowboy Recreational Rodeo Co.	Dimmitt Roping Club	Rodeo Arena
Saturday, August 15			
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Fair, Arts & Crafts Booths	Castro Co. Fair Association - Expo, 403 S.E. 4th	J.D. Ragland/Carolyn Osborn 647-4115
9:00 AM	Parade Judging Begins (Must be lined up to be judged)	Dimmitt Lions Club - See C. C. News for exact locations	Marvin Bryant, CH.
10:00 AM	Parade Begins	"Let's Be Kids Again"	
10:00 AM	Early Settlers Reunion Registration	Senior Citizens Center, 218 W. Jones	Garnett Holland, 647-5544
11:30 AM - 6:00 PM	Dimmitt Car Show & Swap Meet	D.A.T.A. - to benefit Gary Bruegel Memorial Scholarship Fund	T. Heard, 4592/First State Bank Parking Lot
12:00 Noon	Chow time - Food at the Fair: Hamburgers, Fajitas, Hot Dogs, Funnel Cakes, Turkey Wings, Greater Taters, Barbecue & more.		All Around the Expo Area
12:00 Noon	Early Settlers Reunion Lunch	Senior Citizen Center, 218 W. Jones/Potluck Lunch	Garnett Holland, 647-5544.
1:00 PM	I.T. Competition (IDIOTIC THINGS)	Dimmitt Chamber 647-2524	Expo Area/Teams Sign-up 647-2524
12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM	Outdoor Games: Pillow Fight, Parachute Jump, Dunking Board, Horseshoe Pitching, Water Polo & Pumper Teams, Great Duck Race, Volleyball Tournament		Expo Building Area
12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM	Petting Zoo	Fair Association	Quonset Barn, J.D. Ragland, CH.
12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM	Museum Open House (Vol. II Castro Co. History Book Available)	Castro Co. Museum Association	404 W. Halsell, 647-2611
1:00 - 4:00 PM	Cow Patty Bingo (Chance to win \$500)	Fair Association	East of Expo
2:00 - 3:00 PM	Kids Games - Two Age Groups: 6 & Under/7 to 12	Fair Association	Free & Pre-registration Not Required
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Top of Texas Cloggers	Fair Association	Expo Stage
4:00 - 5:00 PM	Drawings & Awards	Fair Association and Others	Expo Stage
5:30 PM	Car Show Trophy Presentation	Dimmitt Alumni Technology Association - D.A.T.A.	First State Bank Parking Lot
6:00 - 8:00 PM	Barbecue Supper at the Expo Catered by Dyers	Dimmitt Promenaders, Tickets - Advance \$6, Child \$4.50, Door \$6.50	Expo Building, Bill & Ann Henderson
8:00 PM	Rodeo	Dimmitt Roping Club	Rodeo Arena
8:00 PM	Square Dance FREE!	Square Dancing & Rounds	Expo Building
9:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Street Dance featuring The Roughriders Band FREE!	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	East of Courthouse

Enjoy Harvest Days—
"Let's Be Kids Again"

The First State Bank of Dimmitt

Member FDIC

If you were a kid in the '40s

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Safe - crackers raided Dimmitt Consumers in April. The same month bids were asked for the paving of Highway 51 (now US 385) from the Lamb County line to Dimmitt.

In May the Castro County Chamber of Commerce held its first monthly meeting, and bus service through Dimmitt started May 20. In June, the railroad applied to build more siding lines in Dimmitt to handle the increase in shipping. Also, PMH moved to its new location on June 25.

The week of July 14-19 had the county's all-time high for registration of new cars, with 24 registered that week. Eight of them were Chevrolets.

Advertising rates for the *News* went up in August. The cost had been 25 cents per column inch, but went up to 30 cents per inch, 45 cents for foreign or national ads.

In October another wildcat oil test was planned for Castro County.

1948
By March of 1948, the drilling for that wildcat oil test was down to 9,585 feet.

By July 1, the *News* had a new Intertype typesetting machine in use.

In December, the Sheffy-Stalcup John Deere dealership was sold to the Cleavinger family, and became known as C & S Equipment.

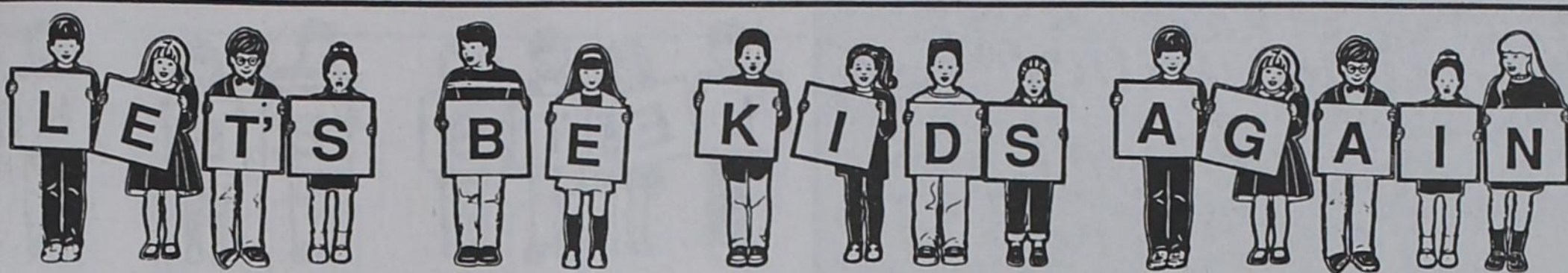
1949
In March it was announced that State Highway 86 running east-west through Dimmitt would be paved, and it was completed by Aug. 4.

In April, the Dimmitt Recreation Club announced plans to open a roller rink.

Construction of new street lights in Dimmitt was almost completed by July 7 and they were first turned on at the end of July.
In October, Dimmitt Motor Co. donated a pickup for the use of the county agent and 4-H'ers. The local vegetable processing plant was destroyed by fire at the end of October.

At the end of November, it was announced that Dimmitt would be getting a large, modern tourist court (motel) with 16 units. Also, a new funeral home/flower shop operated by L.C. Dennis would open by the first of next year.

Dec. 1, Wilson Grocery was damaged by fire, but reopened in its old location by the first of the year. In December, the Dimmitt Recreation Club added three bowling



lanes to its entertainment offerings.

COMMUNITY 1942

An historical event of some significance was noted in the May 21 issue of the *News*, with the death of Mrs. Ellen Carter, one of the first settlers of the county. She was 86 years old. In the June 25 issue, Hazel Merritt announced as a candidate for county judge.

1943

The city of Dimmitt embarked on its annual clean-up campaign in July, with special emphasis given to eradicating the "rat pestilence" plaguing the city. In August it was announced that the city may decide to prohibit hog pens inside the city limits.

1944

In 1944, the Dimmitt Lions Club discussed building a playground at the city park. In March, quadruplet kids were born on the J.C. Williams farm — baby goats that is! Equipment was obtained for a canning center, which opened in July for the use of all local citizens to aid in preserving food produced locally.

1945

In January a fund drive was conducted to combat infantile paralysis. Also, Dennis Acker was named a winner in the State 4-H Club Garden contest.

The Panhandle Girl Scout Council was organized in April. The first Castro County Fat Stock Show was set for April 28, and Buddy Hill showed the grand champion animal.

A second water well for the city of Dimmitt was drilled the first part of June.

In August, citizens were warned that undulant fever is caused from unpasteurized milk.

1946

Carl Dean Kleman set a swine price record at the Fort Worth Stock Show in March.

In April, the Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt, "The Little White Church," burned down.

Plans were proposed in April for a new building for the Methodist Church.

An election in June gave voter approval for a \$200,000 bond issue in Precinct 2 for paving 25-Mile

Avenue from the south county line to State Highway 86 (now FM 1055 South).

The Hart Baptist Church dedicated a new building on Sept. 15.

1947

In January, the State Medical Association took steps to establish an examining board for licensing of physicians.

In April was the largest dairy show in the county's history. In May, the new Bethel Church building was dedicated.

In June, public meetings were prohibited for one week by order of the county health officer because of a few isolated cases of contagious diseases.

In July, the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt announced plans for a building project.

Castro County supporters of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch announced plans to build a farm unit in Castro County to care for some of the boys. A fund-raising effort for the project was announced in July. The farm opened in August, with eight boys in residence. A dedication ceremony and barbecue was held Nov. 9.

Also in November, a fund drive was started to build a football stadium for Dimmitt High School.

1948

In March, a bond election was called for the city of Dimmitt in the amount of \$75,000. \$35,000 would be for city paving, \$20,000 for sewer improvements and \$20,000 for addition of another water well. An election was also announced for Precinct 1 to pave the farm-market road between Hart and Nazareth. The road bond was defeated. The city bond issue passed by a wide margin.

In April, Jackie Miller was honored for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout — the first one in Castro County. Minnie Pearl was scheduled to perform in Dimmitt in April.

The 1948 Junior Fat Stock Show was slated to be "the largest in history." June 10 was the groundbreaking for the First Baptist Church's new building (where the fire station now is). The Dimmitt Cemetery Association organized in July.

Taken from the *Castro County News* dated: April 24, 1947

NEWS IN REVERSE, OR SOMETHING

The usual procedure, since the days of Sir Walter Raleigh, has been for the so-called head of the house to protect and to perform the disagreeable and sometimes dangerous tasks of the household. This, however, was not the case with the Barber Eubanks recently when the bread winner of the family encountered a coyote prowling about the premises, presumably in search of fresh meat, chicken or otherwise. After learning the true state

of affairs from her slightly pale and shaken spouse, Mrs. Eubanks set forth with the family shotgun cradled in her arm. With the assurance of protection from her husband, who followed at a safe distance, Mrs. Eubanks stalked and blasted the life from the bold intruder with a well-placed charge from the shotgun. After killing the coyote Mrs. Eubanks assisted her protector back to the house where he is recuperating from a harrowing experience.

In August, the Fair Association voted to extend the fair into a two-day event, and the same month the Dimmitt Rodeo Association voted to purchase land for a rodeo arena.

1949

Dedication of the new First Baptist Church building was held in April, and Holy Family Church in

Nazareth had a cornerstone laying service in May for its new building.

Santa letters were published in the *News* in December, and the same month, donations were solicited for purchase of slickers, hats and boots for the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept.

ATTENTION PARADE ENTRANTS:



✓ Turn in your entry form at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office or Bryant's Sales and Service by NOON TODAY (THURSDAY). Or, at least, give the Chamber of Commerce a call at 647-2524. (Bicycles need not pre-register.)

✓ Be at the parade line-up site by 9 a.m. Saturday for judging. (Report to the Dimmitt Post Office, and members of the Dimmitt Lions Club will direct you to your division of the parade line-up. The parade will start promptly at 10 o'clock.

✓ Parade divisions are Bicycles, Clubs/Organizations, Commercial, Riding Clubs, Bands, Cars, Equipment, Traditionals, and Unique Entries.

Parade theme: 'Let's Be Kids Again'

Let's have another great Harvest Days Parade. We'll see you there Saturday morning!

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Chances are \$10 each and are being sold by members of the Fair Association. Only 100 chances will be sold.

The "Bingo Field" will be 100 numbered squares east of the Expo Building. The cow will be turned loose on the field about 3 p.m. Saturday. The game will end when the cow "bingos" on somebody's square.

Enjoy the fun and benefit the Fair Association!

Corner Place Package Store

Shirley and Don Cornett

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You'll Enjoy the I.T. Competition!



"Let's be kids again!"

"I.T." stands for "Idiotic Things." Such as what?

Well, there will be a tug-of-war for sure. But as to the other competitive events, they're not saying—they don't want anybody practicing ahead of time.

Show up at the Expo Building at 1 p.m. Saturday in your "casual" clothes, and be ready to have a great time!

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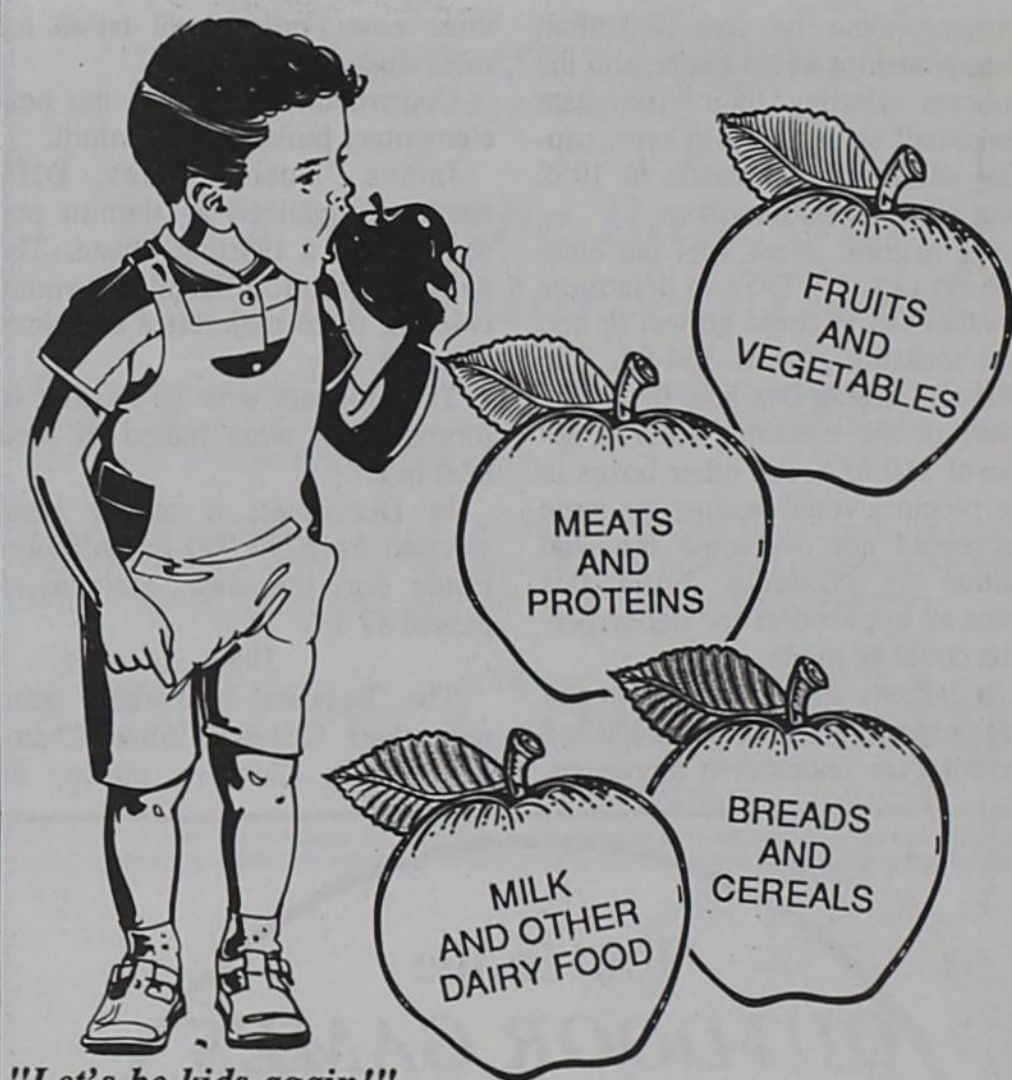
You don't have to be an old settler . . .

. . . to enjoy the Old Settlers' Reunion at the Senior Citizens' Center Saturday. Whatever your age or length of residence here, just show up and bring a covered dish or two for the Basket Lunch at noon, and you'll be welcomed. You'll enjoy the fun, fellowship, and the feeling of friendship you'll find there.

From May to October, Panhandle Ag Service's planes work from dawn to dark, helping improve the quality and yields of our crops through the aerial application of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer. We tip our wings to one of the greatest agricultural counties in the nation as it celebrates Harvest Days!

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If you were a kid in the '50s

Children of the 1950s benefitted from the establishment of a city park, enlarged school facilities and churches, and the addition of many businesses to the local economy—including a modern, new theater facility named the Carlile Theater, which opened in 1950.

Fire and weather both played a part in bringing adversity to the decade. Major blizzards were experienced two years in a row (1956 and 1957). Homes and businesses both were damaged in the numerous fires reported.

Despite the adversity, the explosive growth of the decade, fueled by the increase in irrigation farming, doubled the population of Dimmitt and carried over into the next decade as well.

In 1955, it was reported that the number of businesses in Castro County had increased by 35% during the past five years.

Polio continued as a health scourge, and was joined by infectious hepatitis.

Kids were inconvenienced by the need to license their dogs and keep their hogs in pens at least 200 feet from the nearest residence.

Television became more accessible to the general population, but still not as big a source of entertainment as it is today. The "Local Town Hall" association was formed in 1950 to bring top-flight entertainers to Dimmitt.

Local youngsters continued the tradition of producing top-quality animals to show in the local and area stock shows, and a new record for premiums was set at the local show in 1957, with a total of \$3,363.56 paid to county participants in the Third Annual Junior Fat Stock Show.

Dimmitt's tradition of excellence in sports was given a firm footing in the decade, with the Bobbies bringing home five state basketball championships in six years, and the Bobcats winning their first state basketball championship ever, capping off a perfect season in 1952 with 36 wins and no losses.

An historic event was the election on Oct. 10, 1959 to determine whether Pct. 4 could go wet or not. The measure passed 164-92. The Nazareth voting box held the swing votes in the election, voicing approval 110 to 5. All other boxes in the precinct voted against the issue but could not overcome the lead gained by Nazareth. From this point an application for liquor permits could be made.

In January of 1956, work began on the largest plastic natural gasoline project ever undertaken anywhere.

About one hundred miles of line carrying natural gas to some two hundred wells in the northeast section of Castro County and part of Swisher County was financed by a Farmers Co-op Society.

Aerial spraying of crops began, the cotton industry multiplied, and the vegetable industry found firmer footing, all in the 1950s.

Individual events included:

SCHOOL 1950

A new fad struck Dimmitt High School—it was yo-yo fever.

The Dimmitt Bobbies basketball team won the State Championship, placing two on the All-Time All-State 1st Team — Lometa Odom and Maurine Smithson. The team went on to face an Iowa team for the "National" crown, and won that game, too.

The Nazareth baseball team won the championship of District 4-B.

A bond election for \$375,000 for construction of an elementary school in Dimmitt was approved by the voters in July.

Four Dimmitt boys were named to the all-regional football team after falling to Happy in the regional playoff.

1951

In March, the Bobbies repeated as State Champions in basketball, and had a play-off with an Iowa team again, winning it again, this time claiming a "World" championship. The team carried a container of Dimmitt water with them to the state and Iowa games for good luck.

In May, the Bobcats were the second place team at the Sandie Relays, beaten only by the AA Amarillo Sandies. The team went on to win second overall at the Class A State track meet.

DISD announced the purchase of three new Ford school buses for rural students.

Construction began on the new elementary building in Dimmitt.

James "Rosie" Bates, DHS teacher, organized a Dimmitt pep squad, and a twirling squad. The twirling group included 20 young twirlers, three majorettes and three acrobats.

The Bobcats won Bi-District in football, but were halted in their next bid.

In December, a school bond election for \$175,000 in additional funds for the new elementary passed 87-17.

1952

The Bobcats basketball team won their first-ever State Championship in Class A, posting an



undefeated season of 36-0, and then went on to play the Class AA Champion, Bowie, defeating them, too, for a "Divisional Championship."

Not to be out-done, the Bobbies also posted an undefeated season of 36-0, and repeated a third time as State Champions.

1953

Two Dimmitt Bobcats won berths on the All-Regional basketball team, after the team failed to repeat last year's feat. The Bobbies also failed to make it to state again, going down in the Regional finals.

Dimmitt High School reached a new high in enrollment with 298 students.

In the Longhorns Tips, Sandra Sanders listed traits for her "Ideal Boy": Most Handsome - Bill Hill; Most Popular - Sam Minshew; Cutest - Kinny Hill; Best Dressed - Truman Swopes; Most Likeable - Jack Minshew; Sweetest - Robert Lacy; and Most Mannerly - Larry Witten.

In the Longhorn Tips Weldon Davis' Ideal Girl was Gaylia Anderson as he listed her name for all categories.

Bobcat Tales asked the question, "Who's the loveliest woman in the world?" Paul Stanford said, "Deemae Dennis." Others expressing a choice were: Jerry Brown - Marilyn Monroe; Billy Gregory - Dalia Twiner; Don Sheffy - Betty Grable; and Kenneth Bishop - Piper Laurie.

1954

Hart became a member of District 3-B and had their first football team in the history of the school.

The Dimmitt Bobcat football team transferred from District 1-A to 2-AA.

The Dimmitt Bobbies took up the state basketball crown again, coached by Leo Fields.

Jimmie Johnson was the tallest boy in his freshman class. The 15 year old stood at 6'-1", and measured 34" around his waist. Genell Preston was the smallest freshman girl at 4'-11" and weighed 105 pounds.

The Longhorn Tips printed Gaylia Anderson's Ideal Boy: Most Handsome — Frank Miller; Most Popular — Jerry Phillips; Best Dressed — Kinney Hill; Best All Around — Robert Lee Lacy; and Sweetest — Weldon Davis.

This was the largest graduating class in the history of Dimmitt High School, with 43 receiving their diplomas.

Nazareth High School graduated nine girls and two boys.

The graduating class of Hart had three girls and three boys.

Don Sheffy's Ideal Girl in the Bobcat Tales was: Most Beautiful — Dean Morgan; Cutest — Sue Bagwell; Personality — Jimmie Hyatt; Figure — Delores Battles; Best All Around—Sonya Lowe.

Question of the week in Bobcat

Tales was: "What did you do over the Xmas holiday?" Mary Nelson — My mother told me not to tell; Don Johnston—Just courted; Joe Lee Wilcox — Went squirrel hunting in Oklahoma; and O.C. Renfro—got a hangover.

1955

It was another state championship for the Bobbies in March, making it five out of the last six years.

1956

Bricklaying started on the new ultra-modern \$450,000 Dimmitt grade school building.

DISD had 1,085 students and employed 46 teachers.

For the first time, Dimmitt High School organized a student council.

The Bobbies failed to get out of the district in post-season competition, and Coach Fields' contract was not renewed. He had been coaching boys' and girls' basketball, as well as football and track. J.D. Covington was hired as head football and track coach, and John Ethridge was named basketball coach and assistant football and track coach.

Dimmitt's 26-room grade school was completed, and the schools set a new enrollment record at 1,109 students.

Dimmitt High School held its first annual homecoming.

1957

In February, the Dimmitt Bobcat Band presented its first concert held under the direction of Ralph Smith.

Another record enrollment year for Dimmitt saw a total of 1,211 students.

1958

The Dimmitt Bobbies and Bobcats were both conference 1-AA basketball champions.

1959

Paul Hilburn was named superintendent at Dimmitt Public Schools replacing R.S. Vestal.

A total of 83 seniors graduated in Castro County. Hart and Nazareth each had 18 and Dimmitt had 47.

The Dimmitt Bobcats received a new field house, with an estimated cost of \$15,000.

Dimmitt High School began using the new library, which was placed in the old cafeteria, which had been renovated and furnished to accommodate more than 400 volumes.

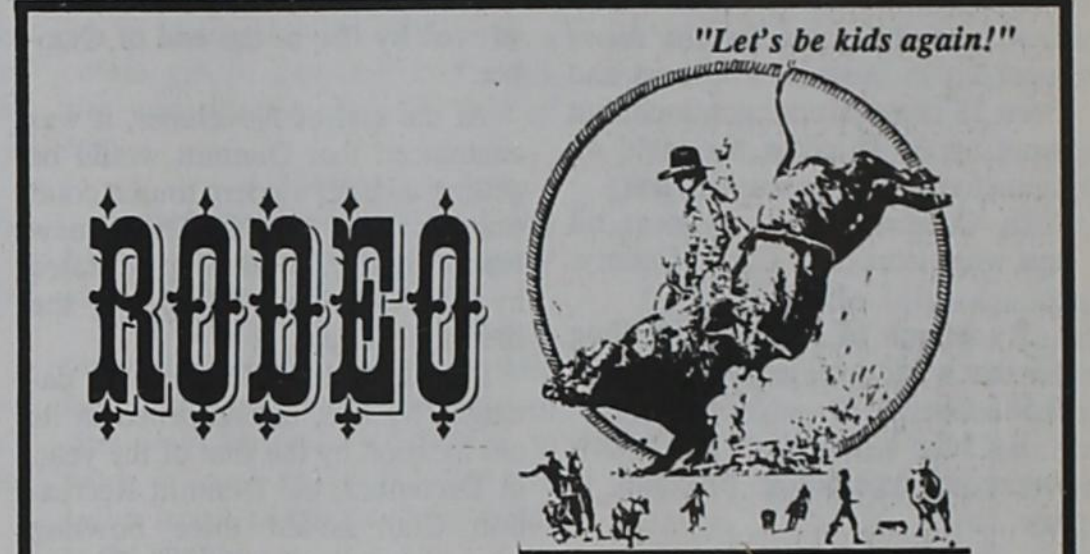
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Complete Elevator Service
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ABBREVIATED T-MODEL—In July 1959, Piggly Wiggly store manager Ben Hill won this pint-sized replica of a 1910 Model T Ford in a promotion contest for Mrs. Tucker's Shortening. Eventual owner of the car (when Dad got through with it) was son Bennie, 11.



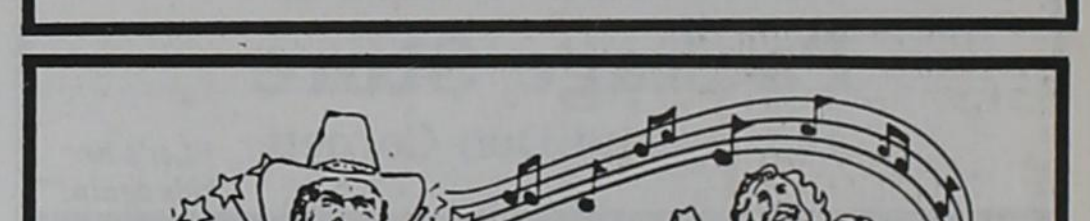
Don't miss the annual Dimmitt Rodeo, to be presented at 8 p.m. Friday and 8 p.m. Saturday by the Dimmitt Roping Club and the Cowboy Recreation Rodeo Co.

Special events Thursday night will be County Team Roping (for county residents only) and 14-and-under Steer Riding. Open events both nights will include Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Calf Roping, Bull Riding, Steer Wrestling, Girls' Breakaway Roping and Barrel Racing, and Team Roping.

Advance tickets are now on sale at \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12, with children 5 and under admitted free. Gate prices will be \$5 and \$3.

We'll see you there!

Dimmitt Feed Yards



Music Aplenty!

If you like music, you're in for a treat Saturday. The Dimmitt Promenaders will stage the annual Harvest Days Square Dance at 8 p.m. in the County Expo Building and the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Street Dance featuring the Rough Riders Band from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. east of the Courthouse.

Everyone interested is invited to attend the free dances and "swing your partner" or just watch and enjoy.

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Hubert Backus, Manager

Join in the **OUTDOOR GAMES** from 12 to 4 Saturday in the Expo Building area

- ◆ Pillow Fights
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- ◆ Dunking Board
- ◆ Horseshoe Pitching
- ◆ Water Polo & Pumper Teams
- ◆ Great Duck Race
- ◆ Volleyball Tournament

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If you were a kid in the '50s

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AGRICULTURE 1950

In June, Dimmitt merchants were able to purchase the first load of Castro County-produced lettuce from the Hara Brothers. "Hopes soar for the vegetable industry on the plains," the article stated.

The first load of wheat for the 1950 crop was received in Dimmitt by Castro County Grain Co. The wheat was harvested by Sam Gilbreath on his farm 13 miles south-east of Dimmitt.

Less than 45,000 bushels of wheat were brought to elevators in Dimmitt, but some of the harvest was taken to surrounding towns. Average yields in the county ranged from seven to 15 bushels per acre.

Five quonset storage units were completed near the fairgrounds south of Dimmitt. The new buildings were to house only grains which the government had loaned money on. However, they were open for lease as storage space for other commodities when not containing grain.

Kearnes Elevator opened in Dimmitt, located just east and south of the Burlington depot where railway trackage had been laid to accommodate and furnish shipping for the new elevator.

Hart Grain Co.'s first load of wheat for the year was brought in by Roy Hooper.

A cotton receiving center was established in Hart by Panhandle Compress and Warehouse Co.

At the start of the year's potato harvest, the Hart Potato Shed was processing five carloads per day.

The 33 cars-loads of milo shipped in August was a local record.

1951

Dimmitt Wheat Growers began construction to double its grain storage capacity.

George W. Bradford announced

Taken from the **Castro County News** dated July 11, 1957

REAL ESTATE

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424 Days
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18-52 tp

OUR HOME in Dimmitt for sale. Three bedroom stucco in Class A residential zone. Corner lot, paved streets. Exceptionally well built. Within walking distance of schools and churches. Cecil Curry, 511 W. Jones. 30-tfc

J. R. ROTHWELL home for sale in Dimmitt. Well located on pavement. See Carolyn Rothwell at Bank. 29-tfc

FOR SALE—Two new modern 3-bedroom houses. See Ray Bearden at Castro Motor Co., phone 75. tfc-51

FOR SALE or Trade—Large 2 bedroom home, all carpeted, insulated, large garage, and paving. Will take an 8-inch irrigation pump in trade. 308 NW 6th Street, Phone 368J. 13-tfc

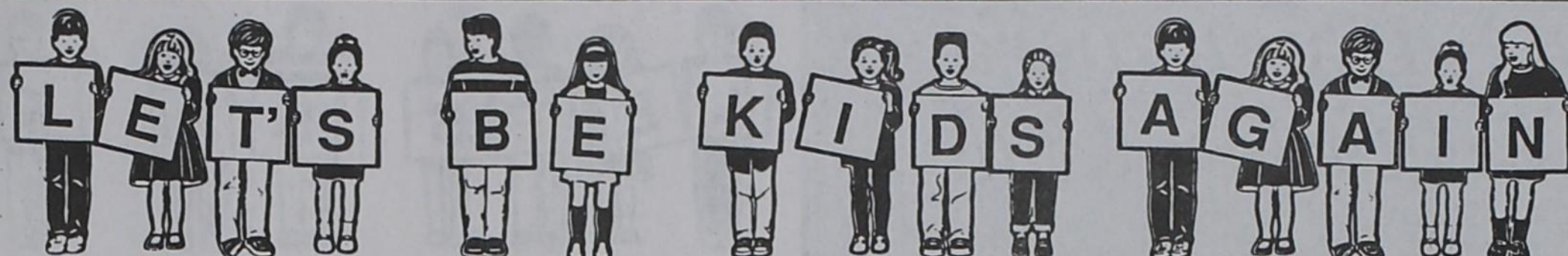
TWO HOUSES for sale. Will trade for property in Levelland, Muleshoe or Tulia. Vern Taylor, Burton Real Estate, Tulia. Phone WY 53076. 30-8tp

FOR SALE or TRADE—Lot 5, Myrtle Wright Addition. 92' by 140'. Ph. 2334, Nazareth Exchange. 34-4tp

WANTED

WANTED -I would like to have your old, undamaged canning peach, apricot and cherry seeds for building 2 windbreaks. J. O. Ayers Sr. 37-1tc

Wanted: To rent a farm—from ¼ to ½ section. Would consider buying some equipment. John Rushing, 2 mi. south and ¾ mi. west of Fred Bruegels. 13-tfc



Soil Bank said that county farmers could receive as much as \$45 per acre for putting cotton acres into the reserve program, and \$24 per acre for wheat.

Sunflowers and sesame were discussed as crop prospects in July.

The child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act went into effect in August, and farmers were cautioned to check compliance with students working on the farm.

Plains Cotton Growers had a meeting in Dimmitt to explain the association's program. 1957

In May, Dimmitt Produce Co. received its certificate of incorporation and began accepting bids for construction of a vegetable plant in Dimmitt.

Dimmitt Produce Co. began contacting farmers and making arrangements for planting a carrot crop in July.

Castro County farmers had a bumper wheat crop, harvesting around 1,341,000 bushels.

The first load of grain sorghum reported for the season was delivered to Sears Grain Co., and was brought in by Odell James of the Sunnyside community.

One of the highest grain yields reported came from the farm of Charles Heck, Jr. of Nazareth. He made an average of 6,654 pounds of maize on 37.05 acres.

1958

Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. announced the final tabulation showed Castro County produced 39,734 bales of cotton for the year.

Castro County's wheat loan price was set at \$1.79.

In June a quarter of a million dollars was lost when some 3,500 acres of wheat was wiped out and another thousand or so heavily damaged by hail. The heaviest damage was reported by farmers on a line extending north from a point between Dimmitt and Nazareth.

County farmers received a net loan of about \$1.58 for their grain sorghum.

Castro County's first onions to be processed by Pacific Fruit and

Produce were harvested in Hart by H.D. Smith and Glen Terrell. Onions were selling around \$1.50 for yellows and \$2 for whites per 50-pound sack. Yields were expected to be better than 600 sacks per acre.

1959

Castro County's grain sorghum farmers received a net price of \$1.35 on this year's crop—an all-time low.

Safflower acres were allotted to county farmers.

Edd C. McLeroy was named as the non-farmer who had given the most outstanding service to agriculture in the 51 counties of the Texas Panhandle and South Plains.

Some 50 farmers formed the Castro County Farm Labor Assoc., the purpose being to create a source of supply for bracero labor.

The first load of barley reported in the county arrived at Sunnyside Elevator, delivered by Ray Riley.

The wheat loan was set at \$1.82 per bushel, less storage.

The Texas Employment Commission announced wages for hoeing cotton was 55 cents an hour in Castro County.

In October, a vote by wool producers revealed that the county had at least 15,000 sheep. Since the 9 producers who voted (out of 35) had a total of 6,192 sheep, the larger figure was given as a safe estimate for the entire county.

BUSINESS 1950

Oil and gas interests in land leasing in Castro County passed the 80,000-acre mark in June. Lease payments ranged from \$2 per acre on a 10-year lease down to 50 cents to \$1 per acre on a yearly rental. The oil fields north and south of the area were thought to be joined by a "neck" running through this area.

The Rio Theater was under construction, with plans for seating for 618 people. Mr. H.H. Carlile, owner, stated that the new theatre would be modern throughout, with all new equipment. The contract

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Production Credit Association

Ann Armstrong, Vice-President
Mark L. Kleman, Assistant Vice-President
Edna Sanders, Secretary

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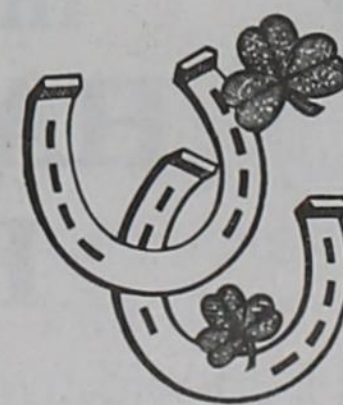
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Dimmitt

If you were a kid in the '50s

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Auto Associate Store in Dimmitt, following in his father's footsteps in the hardware business.

In December, the Production Credit Association began construction on a new office in Dimmitt.

Grocery specials at Cash Way Food were: Folger's coffee, 79 cents a pound; lettuce, 14 cents a head; and fresh yellow squash, 14 cents a pound.

1953

Construction was completed on a third cotton gin in Hart at a total cost of \$150,000. The gin was located just north of Hart. Owners were Roland Shepard and Homer Hill, with John Shepard as manager.

In July, 44 telephones were installed in Hart and the immediate rural area by West Texas Telephone Co.

The Steak House Cafe re-opened for business by Mrs. Fay Walkinson, after repairing damage caused by a fire.

Dimmitt Drug Store announced it is doing business on a strictly cash basis. Advertisements included: carton of cigarettes, \$2.08; tissue, 11 cents a box; Bayer aspirin, 50 cents; and 13 oz. Similac, 26 cents.

Hart's newest business, the Gilmore Farm Store, opened for business in March.

H.J. Thomas Furniture Co. held a get acquainted sale. Various sale items included: 5-piece Duncan Phyfe and Queen Ann dining set, \$69.50; sofa beds, \$59.50; 2-piece living room suite, \$169.50; and baby beds \$32.50 and \$35.50.

Frank Joseph Koenig Jr. announced plans to open a veterinarian office in Dimmitt.

Hart Cafe caught fire and was almost completely destroyed before Dimmitt firemen could suppress the raging inferno. Total loss was estimated at \$4,500.

G.W. Bradford planned to open a cotton buying office in Dimmitt.

A Phillips 66 Service Station was built in Hart at an estimated cost of \$15,000.

Cobb's Dept. Store held its grand opening during the year, and three new businesses opened during November. They were Holland Pump Service, a used car lot operated by Wendell Gamble and "Red" Richardson, and a real estate office operated by "Slim" Fuller and Posie Cunningham.

Permits for commercial and residential building totalling \$59,475 were issued by the Dimmitt city secretary during the month of October.

Other new businesses included Albert Lytle's sheet metal shop in Dimmitt, Cecil Hutton's Dimmitt Cotton Saw Delinting Plant, Gene Kenmore and James Burnam's White's Auto Store in Dimmitt, Hollis Cagle's Plumbing and Supplies on the east side of the Rowlings Hotel in Dimmitt, Alton McLean's Mac's Grocery and Meat Market in Dimmitt, and the Play-

ground Drive-In in west Dimmitt.

New facilities were enjoyed by several businesses, too, including Pioneer Natural Gas, Harman's Dept. Store, the Steak House Cafe, and Dimmitt Wheat Growers.

1954

Construction began on a new ready-mix cement plant in Dimmitt located just south of Dimmitt Courts on Highway 51.

Pesinas Dry Goods Store, owned and operated by Charlie Pesina, opened on the north side of the square in Dimmitt.

Telephone service was extended to the Sunnyside community in May.

In July, Al Guthrie Spraying Co. opened for business in Dimmitt. It was operated by Al Guthrie of Tulsa.

1955

In March, Y & B Electric of Dimmitt won the bid to construct and install the lights and poles at the new football stadium for Hart High School.

In May plans were announced for two new supermarkets in Dimmitt. The two held grand openings a week apart in September. Wilson's was where the Senior Citizens' Center now is, and the other, Cashway, is where IGA now stands.

Bob Lindsey opened a new dry cleaning plant in Dimmitt.

Edd C. McLeroy, a former employee of Castro County Grain Co., became the first farm representative for the First State Bank of Dimmitt.

Construction for the year was expected to reach the \$1 million mark before the end of the year.

1956

Hart residents voted overwhelmingly to incorporate a bank in their town.

The first manufacturing firm ever opened in Dimmitt was the Arvizu Pipe Co., which made concrete pipe. Ben Pasley was the manager.

Also during the year, Dimmitt and Castro County had bus service again after several years without. The Dimmitt Bus, a six-passenger station wagon, was driven by Charlie Pesina or his son, Ferman, from Dimmitt to Hereford, back through Dimmitt and on to Littlefield.

1957

Ina Jan Shop, Dimmitt's dress manufacturing firm, represented the newest local industry. Opened in March, it was operated by two sisters, Miss Hattie Miller and Mrs. Ewell Grundy.

Other new businesses for the year included Mary Lou Frazier's Beauty Shop at 504 West Cleveland in Dimmitt; Pinner Insurance Agency at 201 North Broadway in Dimmitt, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Fay Pinner; King-Seely Furniture Co.; Castro County Cleaners; Earl Cowell Supply in Dimmitt, owned by Earl Cowell; and Charlie Flores' Barber Shop.

New facilities occurred for: Dennis Floral on Northwest Fourth in Dimmitt, owned by L.C. Dennis, who claimed it was "the largest and



most modern of any small city shop on the High Plains"; Lindsey Cleaners, with a new facility at 208 W. Bedford; and a new Gulf station at Third and Bedford.

Dimmitt's new airport began operation.

Charles B. Byrnes and sons purchased the Wesson Real Estate firm in Dimmitt, and Fred Brugel and Tom Davis assumed ownership of Easter Gin Co.

1958

There were 26 more businesses in Castro County than two years ago.

The carrot industry brought \$377,950.95 into the economy of Castro County during the last five months of 1957.

First State Bank officers contracted the construction of a new bank building to Killingsworth Construction Co. of Dimmitt, to be located at the intersection of Bedford and Southwest Third Street. Open house was held in November.

Plains Motor Co. was opened for business in Dimmitt by Harold Stephens.

Powell Tractor Co. was purchased by W.J. (Bud) Giles and renamed Hi-Plains Auto Supply, and the Western Auto Store in Dimmitt was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. David Harpole.

The new Bruegel and Sons Elevator in north Dimmitt and Castro County Grain Company's new building in east Dimmitt were completed.

A new 340,000 bushel flat storage elevator in the Flagg community was under construction.

An accounting and bookkeeping firm was established in Dimmitt. E.T. Cummins, Certified Public Accountant and the office was managed by Boyd D. Prather.

1959

Farmers State Bank of Hart was approved for deposit insurance by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Alvin Frazier purchased M&K Cleaners from George Cameron.

The Big T Pump Company's machine shop department opened its doors for business. James E. Wilde was the manager.

Two new businesses opened in Hart—Farmers Insurance Agency, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Newman, and Hendrix Motor Supply, operated by George Hendrix.

Other new businesses included the Thrifty Automatic Laundry located in south Dimmitt on Highway 385, and Palmer Garage.

Dimmitt Ready Mix began operations in Dimmitt at the corner of East Second and Stinson. The new firm was owned and operated by Paul Acker, Vaden Kirby, Don Hargrove and E.V. Hargrove.

The new Moran-Miller building became fully occupied when a new barber shop, owned and operated by Darrell Kenmore and Troy Kirby, and the Soil Conservation Service moved in.

Two new Cosden Stations opened in Dimmitt.

D.C. Taylor Garage moved to new quarters at Southeast Third and Jones.

Applications were made for three liquor stores in Nazareth: Ball's Package Store, operated by Mrs. Josephine Ball and Urban Ball; Warren's Package Store, operated

by Joe Warren; and Ann's Cut Rate Liquor No. 2, operated by Ralph Lowe.

An application for a liquor store permit from Claudine Terrazas was the first one for a package store in Dimmitt, known as Warehouse Cut Rate Package Store, No. 4, located east of the Dimmitt city limits.

COMMUNITY

Several major fires and two big blizzards and an ice storm affected the local communities during the decade.

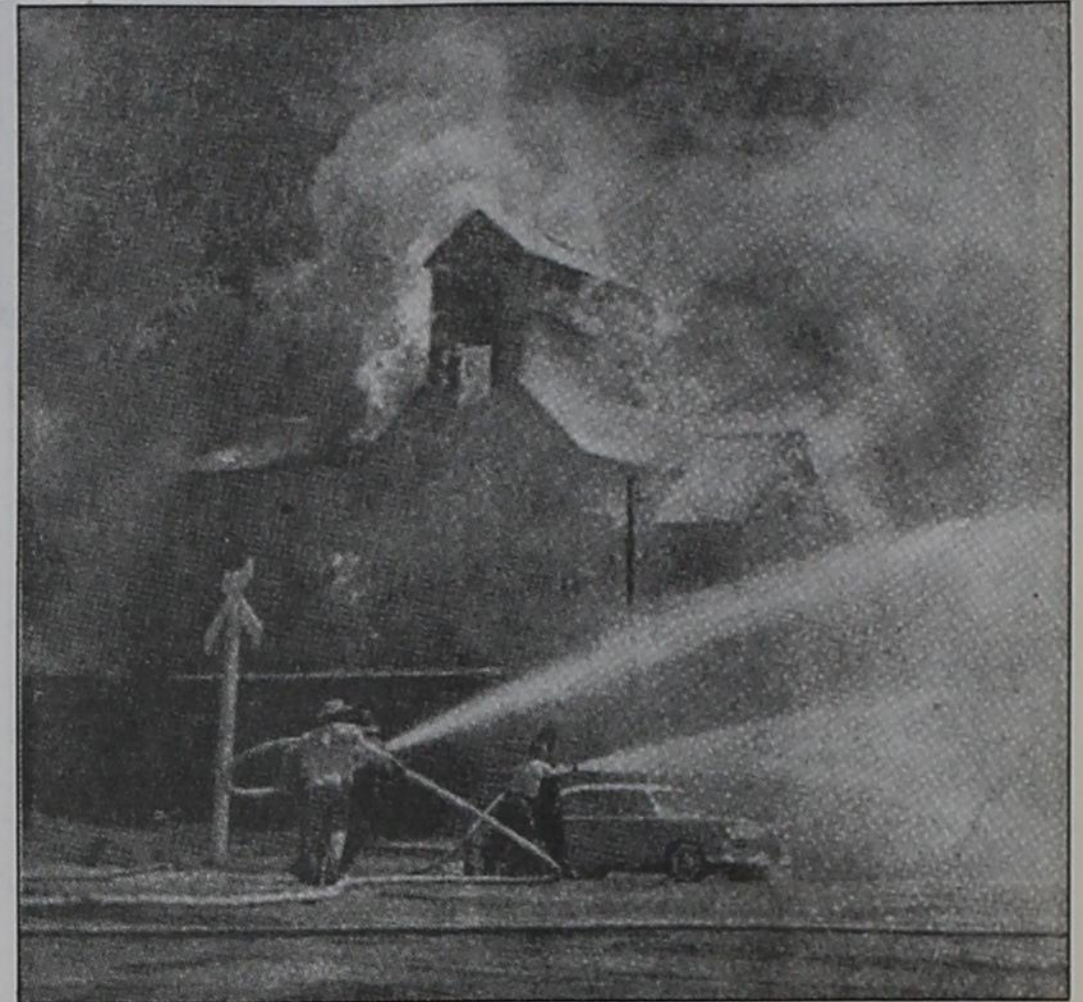
Heavy snows accumulated up to 24 inches deep in February of 1956, stranding the county agent in his vehicle for nine hours one night. He was finally rescued, suffering from shock, but recovered.

In 1957, a late March blizzard swept over the Midwest and High Plains, leaving 13 dead, including one in Castro County. Countless motorists were stranded, and snow drifted as high as barn roofs. The blinding snow, carried by winds up to 80 mph was termed the worst storm since 1931.

An ice storm in December of 1959 did over \$50,000 in damage to television antennas alone. Trees were shattered all over the area, and communications and electrical equipment were damaged. The last major ice storm had been recorded in 1940, according to weather observer "Goose" Ramey.

Probably the most spectacular fire during the decade occurred in July of 1957, when a butane truck collided with a freight train in east Dimmitt. The butane tank was ruptured and ignited like a giant blow torch, totally destroying everything within reach, including the office of Kearns Elevator, two boxcars, and an elevator and storage building belonging to Castro County Grain. Damages were estimated at \$240,000, but no one was reported seriously injured.

Another fire happened when workmen were cleaning a grain dryer at Dimmitt Wheat Growers in January of 1959, with damages



ROARING INFERNO—The biggest fire of the '50s occurred July 6, 1957, when a train hit a Keystone-Fleming butane truck on East Highway 86 near Kearns Elevator and Castro County Grain. Like a giant blowtorch, the burning truck ignited everything around it. Two elevator structures, the Kearns Elevator office, two railroad boxcars, the butane truck and a nearby car were destroyed as firemen from Dimmitt, Tulia, Plainview and Hereford fought the blaze. Miraculously, no one was killed.

estimated at \$7,000 to \$10,000.

The main elevator at Castro County Grain Co. was destroyed in a major fire at the very end of 1957, but not dollar estimate was given for the loss.

In 1954, Farmers Grain in Hart suffered the "worst fire in the county in the last five years." Damages were estimated at \$60,000.

A fire destroyed a wooden storage unit and 15,000 bushels of maize at Hart Elevator Co. and damaged two steel elevators on each side. The estimated loss was \$60,000.

Less costly fires occurred at Umberson Electric in 1950, the Steak House Cafe in 1953, Hart Cafe in 1953, and First State Bank in 1958. Other community events during

the 1950s included:

1950

The Mayfield brothers joined by Bill Myrick were a big hit on the air at KSEL in Lubbock. Myrick was the announcer and also played the guitar; Herb, Smokey and Edd had their places on the guitar, violin and mandolin on the Western Jamboree every Saturday.

The 1950 Census showed 1,441 people living in Dimmitt.

J.W. Skipworth, city secretary, announced that all swine in Dimmitt should be kept in pens not closer than 200 feet from the nearest residence. Skipworth also urged local chicken raisers to keep their chickens penned up.

Flagg voting Precinct No. 7 was

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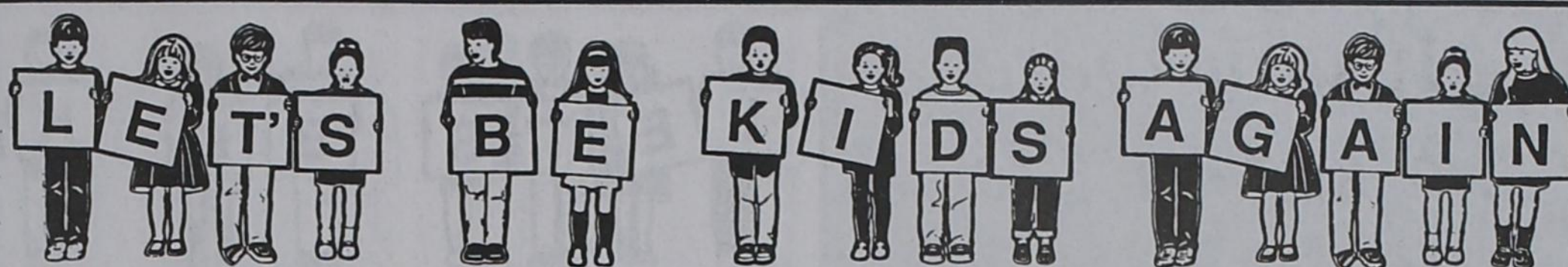
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TEXAS SIZE TURNIP Some people don't have big farms to grow big crops, so they take backyard gardens and grow big vegetables. This turnip, a whopper in anybody's book, was grown by Mrs. Ocie McCormack (Boulton) in her garden in 1958.

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moved to Dimmitt's No. 2. Sgt. Edward P. Calhoun was the first Dimmitt Korean Veteran to arrive home in the county. (Robert Trulock was the first local man killed in Korea. His death was announced in June of 1951.) The Assembly of God Church had a new building in July.

In August, the county health officer recommended flouridation of the water supply.

1951

Edd McLeroy became county agent.

West Texas Telephone Co. completed installing telephone service equipment in Nazareth.

The first Castro County 4-H Rabbit Show was held in the fair building in Dimmitt.

Dr. James T. Roundtree assumed the duties as chief of staff at Plains Memorial Hospital.

A rise in polio cases was noted

in January. In April, an iron lung was made available for use by local citizens. In June, a clinic for epileptics opened in Plainview.

Rodent control was still a concern in November.

In December, Castro County's second Displaced Person family arrived from the Russian Ukraine—Mr. and Mrs. Pete Linar and their son.

1952

The directors of the Plains Memorial Hospital Association asked the county to take over operation of the cooperative hospital in November.

1953

Hart American Legion Post No. 311 was re-organized.

Construction began on a new Church of Christ building on the corner lot at the intersection of West Bedford and Southwest Fourth Street. Cost was estimated at \$60,000 to \$65,000.

Dimmitt faced one of the worst

rainfall years in history. Rainfall was 9.55 inches, the lowest since 1935.

A prize hen owned by Mrs. Elmer Noble, laid 56 eggs in 58 days.

1954

Leonard Gerald Finney, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Finney of Hart, became the first victim of polio in Castro County this year.

Hart Methodist Church held ground breaking ceremonies for the construction of a new sanctuary, and the dedication was led by Rev. E.H. Coston in October.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Setton of Hart were the first Hart couple to have triplets.

Frank Huseman of Nazareth had a registered Jersey cow, age 4 years and one month, that completed a 305-day Herd Improvement Registry production record of 9,608 pounds of milk containing 584 pounds of butterfat.

1955

Flu closed down the Hart school for part of a week in February.

The Resthaven Memorial Park cemetery held an organizational meeting in February. The cemetery will be west of Dimmitt.

In April, local citizens were informed of the need for a full-time welfare office.

The Colored Baptist Church neared completion of its construction program in July.

Attendance was reported "sagging" at Little League games in August.

1956

Dimmitt's American Legion agreed to move their building to another lot to make way for the new city park.

In February, the Castro County Jaycees organized.

Don Nelson joined the staff of the *Castro County News*.

Dimmitt's new "spheroid" water tower was completed.

A paving program was underway for 52 blocks in Dimmitt. When completed, the program left two-thirds of all the streets in Dimmitt west of Highway 51 paved.

JayCees began installing house numbers in Dimmitt.

The State Highway Department began receiving bids for the construction of 21.27 miles of a farm to market road across the southeast part of the county.

Hart Lions Club was organized in October.

Work began on the development of State Highway 86 into a federally designated east-west thoroughfare.

1957

The Dimmitt Junior Chamber of Commerce made arrangements with Elmer Youts for the use of his property about one mile north of Dimmitt for a municipal airport.

1958

Dimmitt qualified for a federal low rent housing project.

A contract for paving FM roads 1305 and 2392 and widening one mile of State Highway 51 in the county was awarded.

Residents of the county were spending a record amount of \$2,128,000 on food according to a survey on grocery spending.

The Bethel Baptist Mission became the Lee St. Baptist Church.

In September the first farm to market road leading into Dimmitt was underway. The road tied into Highway 51 at Kirkpatrick Sales Co. and went west to intersect with 25-mile Ave. and was also to be paved. A mile stretch on Highway 51 in south Dimmitt was also being paved.

Construction began on a new Catholic Church located on Highway 86 in east Dimmitt. The new church was known as Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. It was completed in April of 1959.

Dimmitt's first one-way street went into effect in the vicinity of Dimmitt Public Schools.

County voters approved a proposition levying a special 30-cent tax per \$100 valuation of private property, and also approved the proposition separating the offices of Tax Assessor-Collector and the County Sheriff.

The first Catholic Church in Hart held its first services in November.

1959

The second Baptist Church to organize in Dimmitt was the Northside Baptist Church, located three blocks west of Castro County Hospital.

In the spring highway workers began changing signs on Highway 51 to US 385.

The county hospital received its new operating room light. The \$1,295 light put the hospital operating room in a class with those of the nation's leading hospitals.

Nazareth American Legion Post No. 528 held their dedication of a new building.

Amarillo Weather Bureau presented Edwin (Goose) Ramey a pin for 35 years of continuous volun-

teer service in maintaining weather records of Castro County for the bureau.

Construction began on Lee Street Baptist Church.

Dimmitt's Presbyterian Church held its first services with Rev. Herman Boles.

New bleachers were installed at the Dimmitt Ball Park by Dimmitt

JayCees. Cost of the low bleachers was about \$400.

The organization of Dimmitt Gun Club, to be affiliated with the National Rifle Assoc., marked the first such group to set up for this area.

Northside Church of Christ in Dimmitt held its first service.

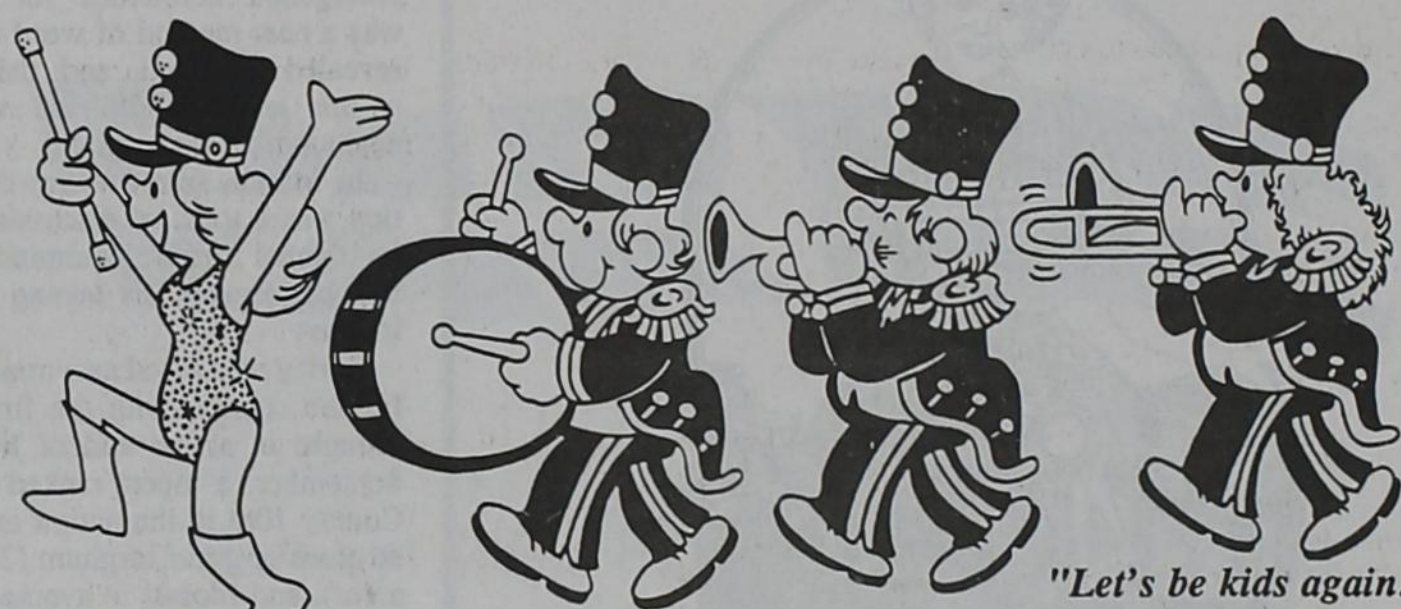


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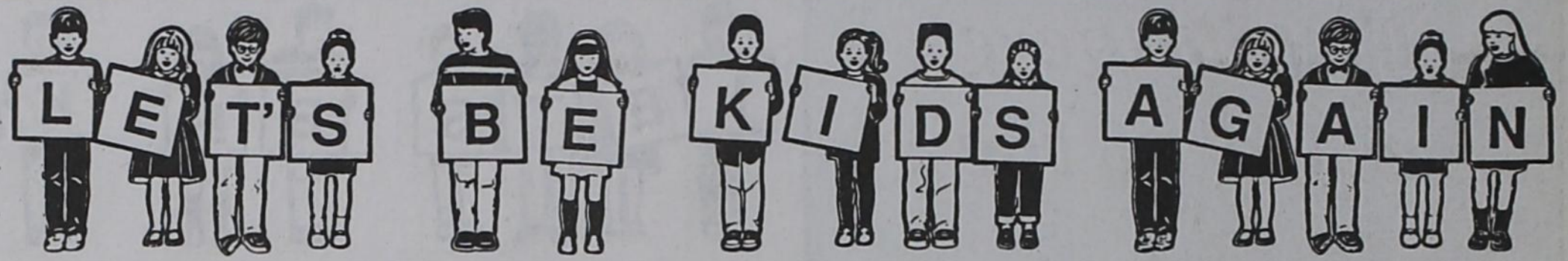
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If you were a kid in the '60s



Children in Castro County in the 1960's lived in an age of fantastic growth and expansion at home and in the nation, but tragedy touched many lives during that period, too.

The wonderment of the moon-walk in 1969 was offset by the sadness of the nation at the assassinations of John F. and Robert Kennedy in 1963 and 1968, respectively, and Martin Luther King Jr., also in 1968. However, national problems such as race riots and integration seemed to have little impact here.

A member of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1961, Junior Coffey, was one of Dimmitt's most famous athletes. He was black, and was treated with equality and affection. A Junior Coffey Day was held in April of 1967 to honor him when he returned to Dimmitt as the featured speaker at that year's athletic banquet.

Children of the 1960s will remember the Vietnam Conflict, and its casualties in lives and national pride. At least two separate rallies were held in Dimmitt during the decade to demonstrate support for those serving in Vietnam, and a big event each fall was the candy drive to supply each soldier with connections in Castro County with a big supply of homemade candies in time for the holidays.

Of course, children were thrilled when the Castro County Recreation Association added another swimming pool to the recreation possibilities in the county, and a T.G. & Y. store and Dairy Queen widened the pleasure prospects. The establishment of Radio Station KDHN in 1964 increased the entertainment, too.

For adults, it was a decade of

phenomenal growth and change. Fifteen separate bond issues were proposed during those years and only four of them failed. They ranged from \$50,000 for a cafeteria and teacherages for the Nazareth schools in 1962 (passed), all the way up to \$2.4 million for the City of Dimmitt to establish its own power and light company in 1966 (failed).

Many of the bond issues that passed were for school expansion and improvements to accommodate the growing population of the area.

The biggest financial event of the decade was the selling of stock by Dimmitt Wheat Growers for construction of a \$10 million grain wet milling plant—the forerunner of American Fructose.

Atomic fallout, Communists, and civil defense were on people's minds a lot as the Cold War era continued. The Army Corps of Engineers made tests in the area in 1961 for possible placement of Minuteman missile sites. A feature in July of 1962 showed two fallout shelters constructed at local homes. Articles and photos showed other civil defense efforts across the country, and fallout protection guides could be ordered.

Other notable or interesting highlights of the decade included:

AGRICULTURE 1960

A new variety of soybeans was introduced in January. A storm bringing rain, snow and sleet in January also was accompanied by high winds that shifted outhouses, downed TV antennae and overturned cotton trailers.

In February a meeting was held to discuss control of brucellosis,

and in September a visit was expected from a prairie dog eradicator.

In October, area farmers were informed about the potentials of sugar beets as a crop.

A farm census report released in December showed that 85% of Castro County was comprised of cultivated land even though the number of farms had decreased from 828 down to 753, compared with 1954.

1961

In January, soil testing was touted as a way to increase farm income, and an organization was formed for the county's sugar beet growers. The Farm Bureau offered bean contracts and the cotton harvest reached 45,000 bales.

President John F. Kennedy recommended higher cotton and feed grain supports in February, and in March Castro County was declared eligible for FmHA emergency loans due to losses from rain and hail in 1960.

In May, B.M. Nelson and Sam Gilbreath testified before the House Ag Committee in a hearing on sugar beets and quotas. In June the Castro County Gas Users Association was formed. Also June saw a new emphasis on water conservation and possible prosecution of "water wasters." A study released in September revealed that water consumption on the South Plains was exceeding the rate of replacement.

Figures showed that 96.2% of the county's farms were involved in the grain sorghum program by the end of June.

July saw a threat to the cotton crop by disease, and the same month saw cucumber crops planted for the first time in the county. Carrots and canteloupes were big crops in August.

The Running Water Conservation District began work on a flood control project that could include formation of a lake on the draw.

1962

Bob Steffens invented a machine to pick up cotton left by strippers, and by Jan. 18 the cotton gins were at record production levels. Pre-emergence herbicides for cotton was a new method of weed control revealed in April, and the same month a new herbicide was in development for sorghum.

In March, screw worm eradication was a topic of discussion, and an animal health committee was formed. Brucellosis testing started in May.

Barley was listed as a major crop for the county, with the first load brought in at the end of May. In September, a report ranked Castro County 10th in the nation in planted acres of grain sorghum (201,000 acres), and second in average yield per acre.

Plans for a Holly Sugar refinery in the area were announced in July. By Sept. 20, 700 farmers in four counties had signed contracts for beets.

1963

In January, the County Commissioners' Court endorsed the Running Water Soil Conservation District's plan for a dam on the draw for flood control. In April, a pickle company made arrangements with local cucumber growers.

In April, Howard Bridges was

named the Conservation farmer of Texas.

1964

Weed control was a matter of concern in January. Wheat standards were changed in February.

The Western Ammonia plant started operations the last of January.

1965

In February, bankers were concerned about the farm situation, and in April the US Labor Dept. gave approval for a federal grant for the construction of an agricultural workers' housing project in Dimmitt.

In September, the Bruegel Brothers Gin & Elevator northwest of Dimmitt opened for business.

1966

Land was sold in January for placement of a pickle station, and a new facility was built at the Dimmitt Produce Company in March.

By May, plans were underway for the grain wet-milling complex proposed by Dimmitt Wheat Growers.

In June, plans were announced for 10,000-head capacity feedlots to be constructed near Dimmitt.

By Dec. 8, it was announced that the USDA had authorized emergency loans to Castro County farmers due to weather damage.

1967

In February, the FmHA approved a loan and a grant for the labor housing project.

Crop damages estimated from \$3 million to \$7 million were caused by a windstorm accompanied by heavy hail in September.

1968

Corn contracts were "pouring in" in January for the grain milling plant. However, a task force was formed in April to get enough people signed up in support of the project before the financing deadline.

Hail damage for the year was estimated at \$29 million by July 25.

In October a soybean growers association was formed, and in November soil maps were released showing the results of a four-year project.

1969

A chapter of the National Farm Organization was chartered here in February.

In July, the Dimmitt Produce Company's potato operation got underway.

The county was scheduled to have its own full-time FmHA office by Dec. 1.

In December on opening day of pheasant season, the county had the most hunters ever seen on one day. One estimate placed the number at 5,000.

SCHOOL 1960

The third annual science fair for the Dimmitt schools was held Feb. (Continued to page 9B)



THEY'RE OFF!—Youngsters compete in the Tricycle Obstacle Race, one of the kids' games sponsored by the Dimmitt Lions Club in 1965.

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TIME OUT for Harvest Days

We hope you enjoy all the activities of Harvest Days. Please take time to thank those whose hard work make it such a great celebration.

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Saturday, 11:30 to 6

at the First State Bank Parking Lot



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Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 7-12, with children under 7 admitted free.

See all the great vehicles on display and enjoy a homemade hamburger while you look.

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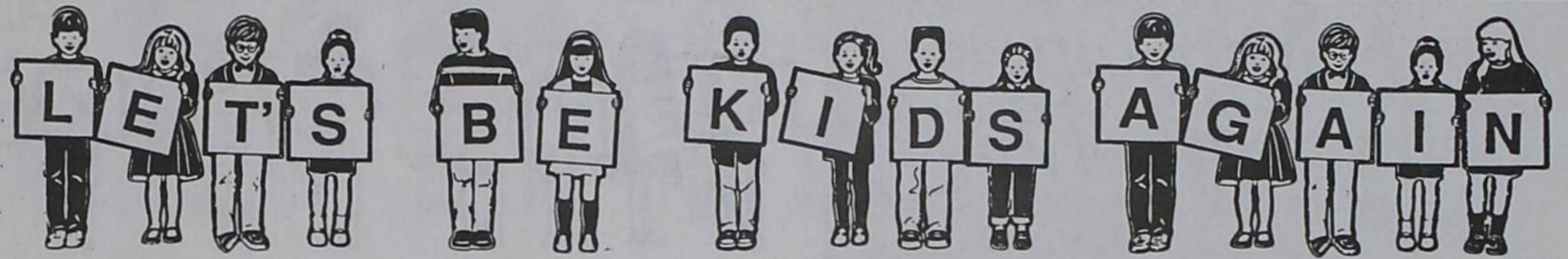
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If you were a kid in the '60s



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29-March 4. The Bobcats made it to the State Finals in basketball, with Hal Ratcliff named All-State and Junior Coffey honorable mention.

New band uniforms were a highlight in March, and in April the band was one of five invited to participate in the Battle of Flowers in San Antonio.

The Dimmitt High School Student Council took a unique approach to relief efforts for those suffering from the Sunnyside tornado in April. Council members went out to the community and solicited donations from sight-seers viewing the damage. Also, the eighth grade class donated \$50 from its meager banquet funds.

The DHS Chapter of the American Field Service Foreign Exchange program was started in May, and the first AFS student hosted here was Pia Nasman of Finland, who stayed with the G.I. Clingsmith family.

The Nazareth High School baseball team made it to the bi-district playoffs in May.

May 26, it was announced that Kent Hance had been selected to attend Boys State. In October, Hance, as president of the DHS Student Body, was named to head the South Plains Association of Student Councils.

In June, the first efforts were made at accommodating Spanish-speaking students in the Dimmitt schools by holding English classes during the summer. In the past, Spanish-speaking children were required to repeat the first grade.

In November, the Bobcats won the District Football Championship, but lost in Bi-District to Olton. In December, the DHS Band was one of only five invited to march at the Cotton Bowl.

At the end of December students were required to show proof of diphtheria immunization before they would be readmitted to classes.

1961

Junior Coffey was named to the All-State football team, the National All-America Football team sixth team, and to the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame, all in January.

In basketball, the Bobbies lost their bid for Bi-District, but the Bobcats made it to the State Finals, with Junior Coffey making the All-State team.

In September, plans were proposed for a new building for Dimmitt High School. Enrollment projections stated that if enrollment

continued at the same level through 1977-78, student population would reach 3,000. The new building site, about a half-mile west of the old school site, was selected with future expansion needs in mind. The bond issue, for \$1.2 million, passed in an election Oct. 7, with 264 in favor and 205 against.

1962

The Dimmitt schools population was listed at 1,499 in March.

The Bobcats were Bi-District Champs in basketball.

State-wide fame came to DHS when the journalism class started a protest campaign for cleaner movies. They encouraged other journalism classes across the state to ask students to write to their congressmen, since they felt that an appeal to the movie industry would be futile. US Rep. Walter Rogers, Texas, called for a congressional investigation of the movie industry as a result of the campaign.

In June, construction started on the new high school. In August, the new Safety Patrol was started.

"Lady Bob," a female bobcat, served as Dimmitt's live mascot starting in November, when she was captured by J.G. Davis and James Bradford on a fishing trip to Mexico.

The Hart School Board began plans for a new school building in December, and on Dec. 20, Nazareth's Cafeteria was dedicated.

1963

In September, Dimmitt's school enrollment reached 1,557. The same month, Junior Coffey was voted an All-American prospect in football.

The dedication of the new high school was held the last of September.

1964

This year, the Bobcats placed second in regional, and the Swifts won district in basketball.

"Modern Math" was the subject of discussion at the March P-TA meeting, and in April, the P-TA started a fund drive for a hearing tester for use by the school nurses.

Construction on the new Hart High School building began in March at an estimated cost of \$321,694. The dedication was held in August.

In May, the Dimmitt athletic budget was published, with the comment by coach J.D. Covington that Dimmitt's was "the only AA school (athletic program) in the area that completely supports itself from game receipts."

An addition to the Dimmitt Grade School was proposed in No-

vember, and came to a \$225,000 bond election Dec. 5, which passed. It included classrooms and the east cafeteria.

1965

Nazareth voters passed a school bond in February for \$120,000 to build classrooms, a homemaking department and science department.

The Bobcat Band became the only band ever invited back to the Battle of Flowers at San Antonio.

In April, plans were made for a work-training program at DHS, with funding through a federal grant from the US Labor Dept.

In May, local teachers made an appeal for public support in their efforts to get a pay raise.

The same month, the Nazareth girls' volleyball team won third in state.

The class of 1965 gave the victory bell trailer to DHS.

"Project Head Start" was approved for the Dimmitt schools.

A 10 cents per \$100 valuation increase in the school tax rate was announced in July.

Enrollment in 1964 was 1,788, and decreased to 1,749 in 1965.

1966

The Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club raised \$1,025 with a pie auction in January to raise money for the athletic department.

Enrollment went up to 1,896, and a teacher shortage was noted in October, on both the local and state levels.

In September, it was announced that 78% of DHS grads from the Class of 1966 were attending college.

1967

In March, the Bobcats lost in the state basketball finals, but John Howell was named All-State Tourney, and to the Texas Sportswriters Association All-State Team.

In May, sweeping salary increases were announced for local teachers.

The DHS band won its 14th straight I rating in Regional marching contest.

1968

In January a teacher was hired for Dimmitt's new school for retarded children, also known as the "satellite school," operated as a branch of the Amarillo State Center for Human Development.

In February, the Bobbies won their first district championship in basketball since 1960, took Bi-District, but lost in the regional finals.

The Dimmitt Junior High home-making department received damages estimated at \$8,000 to \$10,000 in a fire that occurred while repairs were being done during a break in instructional days.

After a study of the local school facilities, the Texas Education Agency urged DISD to build a new stadium, obtain more land, and perform some remodeling. In May, the TEA had told the district to de-

emphasize band and athletics.

In November, five Bobcats were named to the All-District Football team.

1969

In February, the Nazareth schools shut down for three days because of a severe flu outbreak.

March 8 was declared Kenneth Cleveland appreciation day, not long after the Bobcats played in the Regional Tourney and had two players named All-Regional. Two were named All-State in April.

In May, Jerry Brady was selected as honorable mention on the 1969 Prep All-American Team.

In August, a record enrollment of 1,833 was recorded for DISD.

The Dimmitt Bobcats football team was ranked 10th in state by the *Dallas Morning News*, and seventh in the state by the UPI.

Hart was moved up to Class A in October.

BUSINESS

1960

In January, the Chamber of Commerce office moved to a new location in the Rawlings Hotel building, Sandy K. Parsons became the new owner of the local drug store, and H&H Tire & Supply opened for business.

A new craft shop opened in March, and in May a new Buick dealership opened in the old American legion building in Dimmitt.

The phone system in Dimmitt changed over to dial phones in June, and instructions were given on how to operate a dial phone. Prefixes assigned were Mitchell 7 for Dimmitt, Victoria 6 for Sunnyside, Webster 8 for Hart, and Whitehall 5 for Nazareth.

The bond issue election for \$225,000 for construction of a county hospital passed in July by 640 to 369.

A personal appearance tour of movie monsters came to the Carlisle Theater in July, accompanied by a monster movie. No children's tickets were sold because the show was deemed "too scary."

Dr. and Mrs. B.H. Lee moved to Dimmitt in September.

In October, King-Seely Furniture & Appliance dissolved a five-year partnership and each partner set up his own furniture store.

1961

In February, B.M. Nelson resigned as manager of the Castro County Chamber of Commerce after serving for five years. Eddie Coltharp was named to replace him in April.

Al Jackson was named the new manager of Cobb's in March, and Ernest Davis was appointed acting Postmaster for Dimmitt the same month.

Drilling for oil was conducted west of Dimmitt in July and west of Arney in December, reaching a depth of 9,000 feet.

In July, the phone company switched the directory listings to use all numbers, instead of letters in prefixes, resulting in 647 for Dimmitt, 938 for Hart and 945 for Nazareth.

In November, the State Highway Dept. announced it will be spending over \$40,000 for road improvements in the county in 1962.

In December, Cashway Food was sold to Taylor & Sons.

1962

A concrete irrigation pipe manufacturing firm started operations here in February with Bill Dannevik as manager, and more wildcat drilling took place in the southeast part of the county.

Also in February, the Post Office announced that it would study possible city delivery of mail for Dimmitt. The matter was referred to postal officials in April, and a survey was done in July. Voters approved receiving city mail delivery with a vote of 476 in favor and 31 against. The project had final approval by the first of October, but actual delivery didn't start until March of 1963.

Harman's announced plans in May to open a Buccaneer Stamp redemption center.

The Chamber of Commerce

started the ball rolling for a new Post Office building in May. Larger facilities had to be requested by the community.

In June, construction was underway on the Bearden shopping center, and a new de-linting plant opened in Dimmitt at the end of the month.

Paving of downtown alleys was discussed and a new pay telephone booth was installed in downtown Dimmitt, both in July.

In December, C&S Equipment Co. began building a new plant at Second and Belsher.

1963

In March, Western Ammonia announced that a contract would be let soon for construction of an anhydrous ammonia fertilizer plant near Dimmitt.

The same month, a new optometrist building neared completion.

Dr. J.D. Blackburn joined the High Plains Clinic staff in April.

Also in April the Pak-More Handi-Lift trash system came into use in downtown Dimmitt.

In September the foundation was poured for a new T.G.&Y. Store, which had its opening on Dec. 2. (Trivia buffs—the initials stand for Tomlinson, Gosselin, and Young, founders.)

A 360-foot high community TV antenna was erected at the end of October, making it the highest structure in the area. The Dimmitt Cable TV company later offered seven broadcast channels.

The new Dairy Queen opened the last of November, and in December the Castro County Hospital was renamed Plains Memorial Hospital.

1964

In January KDHN Radio held open house.

Plans started in February for a nursing home, and planning for a new motel with restaurant and pool started in March.

Two open houses were announced in April, one for Western Ammonia and one for the hospital.

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PARADE

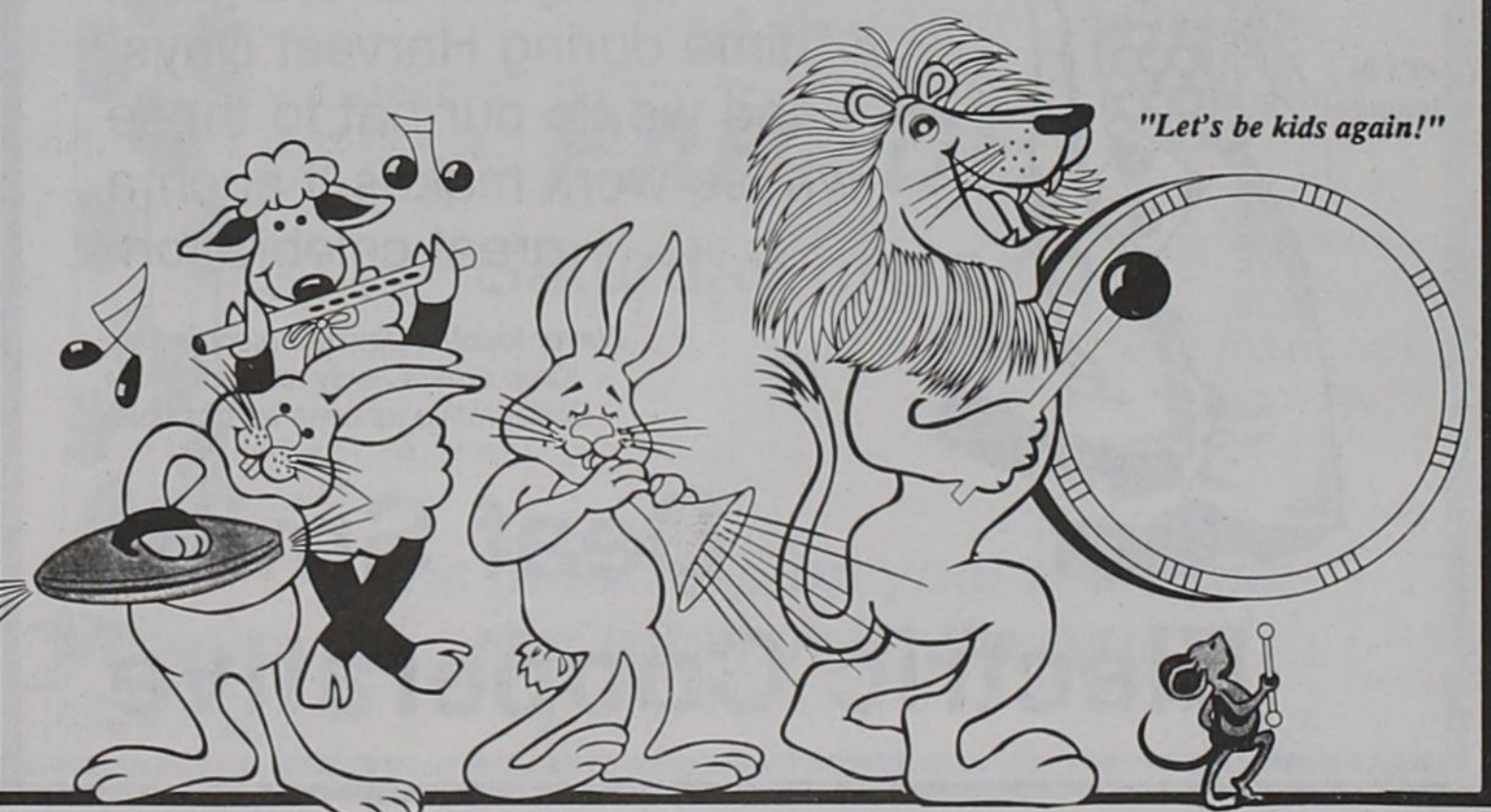
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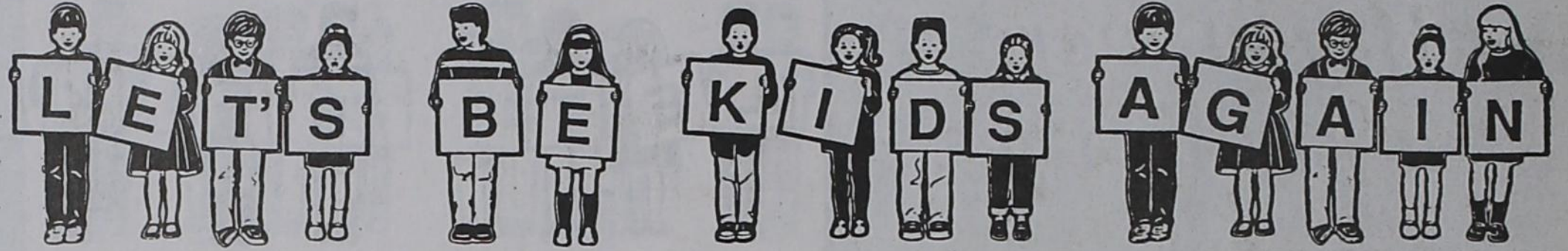
We hope you have a great time at ALL the Harvest Days activities!

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If you were a kid in the '60s



VICTORY WAGON — Dimmitt's Class of 1965 presented this "victory chariot" to their school in hopes that it would be put to good use celebrating many future wins by the Bobcats and Bobbies. On board are class members Valeria Millsap and Dale Leinen.

applied for a charter for a new bank in Dimmitt—the People's Bank, but the petition was withdrawn in November of 1969.

1969

Two major bond issues were approved by voters. In April, the county was okayed to expand the courthouse to the tune of \$250,000, and in May, Dimmitt got the go-ahead on \$200,000 for sewer improvements that had to be approved again in July after a court ruling said that voting in bond elections could not be limited to property holders.

In October, the county registered an all-time low in unemployment figures. In December, the city adopted a leash law.

COMMUNITY

1960

A rat control drive was held in January. In February, a record number of voters had paid the poll tax—2,454 (over 300 more than the last general election).

The first services of Dimmitt's First Christian Church were held the end of February.

1959's liquor option election continued to be an item of controversy, with a faction of "dry" voters filing a lawsuit and appeals to have the election declared void. In November the Texas Supreme Court denied jurisdiction in the case, letting stand the ruling of a lower court that the election was valid.

Articles in March pointed out that bootlegging of liquor was a growing concern, along with other liquor violations.

In late March, Fr. Jesus Quintero became the first pastor of the new Catholic parish in Dimmitt. The local congregation had previously been a mission of Holy Family parish.

In April, the Sunnyside Community was struck by a devastating tornado that travelled an estimated six or seven miles along the ground, destroying homes and businesses, killing 3 and injuring 27. Relief efforts began almost immediately, and well over \$11,000 was raised locally, and another \$8,000 was received from the Red Cross.

The Sunnyside Store was almost ready to reopen by the end of October, and the Sunnyside Church was in the process of rebuilding, with the work completed by March of 1961.

Tennis courts at the Dimmitt City Park were almost finished by May 19, and the city bought a new city hall and a used jail the same year.

A 3-year-old was declared a victim of polio in the county in July.

In August, the local American Legion Post made a project out of selling the new 50-star US flags.

The Dimmitt VFW Post organized in October, and the Junior Gun Club formed in November. About the same time, a building was purchased and renovated for use as the Scout hut (still in use today).

A news story reported in October that the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. responded to a fire 21 miles northeast of Dimmitt and arrived in 15 minutes!

1961

Plans were started in January for a Young Farmers chapter in Dimmitt, and Dale Maxwell was named president at the group's first meeting in February.

Dimmitt's city water supply won approval by the Texas Dept. of Health and installed a sign saying so in February. The County Health Officer urged citizens to make every effort to control mosquitos in May.

A report released in June stated that Castro County topped the nation in household income for 1960.

"Citizens Band" radio was a big craze mentioned in August, the same month the Window Peeker was captured.

Welfare systems all over the US came under scrutiny in November, and readers were reminded that real needs must be shown to receive county welfare grants.

In December, the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt began broadcasting its services.

1962

In February, B.M. Nelson declared as a candidate for State Representative, and made it to a runoff with Billy Clayton of Springlake, but was defeated in the runoff.

Also in February, it was announced that Castro County uses more "March of Dimes" money than it collected. In March, a report showed the county has fewer cancer deaths than the national average.

The number of water meters in Dimmitt reached 999 in March.

A man found dead on a local farm was misidentified and further investigation led to an alien smuggling ring in April.

In May, food stamp plans were shown to increase grocery sales in test stores, but the program was not in place in Texas yet. Another report in May stated that most of the homes in the county had indoor plumbing.

The first Republican Primary ever held in Castro County was held in May, with 52 voting.

In July, some prisoners tried to burn down the Dimmitt City Jail.

Submachinegun fire ended a high-speed chase in Dimmitt in September. Two Amarillo youths had stolen a car. The two avoided serious injury.

1963

Fire resistant cotton fabrics were being tested, according to a report in March.

Total participation in all three polio immunization drives (a series of three) was 10,456 in the county.

The First Methodist Church of Dimmitt began construction on an educational unit in June, and the Dimmitt Assembly of God Church held a dedication of new facilities in September.

New speed limit signs were posted in August, allowing 70 mph for day and 65 at night.

1964

A steering committee attempted to get approval for construction of a library/community building in the city park, but the effort collapsed.

The county fair was called off in July because a carnival could not be scheduled that had kiddie rides.

The Castro County Historical Commission was formed in August. This year's parade spanned 12 city blocks—"one of the largest."

In September the Young Republicans organized, followed by the Young Democrats in October.

The first twins born in Plains Memorial Hospital were boy-girl twins born to Mr. and Mrs. Reyes Campos in November.

1965

The first annual awards banquet of the PMH Auxiliary was planned in January.

In April a bond issue for an ag pavilion and fairground area was defeated. Another bond issue for a

recreation center, including a municipal golf course and baseball parks, failed in October.

Also in April, the number of license tags issued in the county neared 6,500.

1966

A production company was hired in February to produce a "Spectacular" for the July 30 - Aug. 6 "Diamond Jubilee," celebrating the 75th anniversary of Castro County. The Dimmitt Rotary Club was chartered in May.

In December, Rep. Walter Rogers made the statement, "I heard three shots," in describing what he saw and heard as a participant in the fateful motorcade in Dallas in 1963. Demands were being made to reopen the Warren Commission investigation.

In December, Keith Crum, 8, won the area Punt, Pass and Kick competition, held in the Cotton Bowl before a game between the Dallas Cowboys and the St. Louis Cardinals.

1967

Texas went on Daylight Savings Time for the first time in April, and after going off of it in October, local citizens proposed organizing a protest against the measure.

The first fatality in Texas in 1967 from encephalitis happened at PMH in Dimmitt in July.

The Dimmitt Teen Club was organized in October.

Dec. 17 was the switch-over date for the local phone system to join the "nationwide dialing" network.

1968

This was the first presidential election year under the system of free voter registration (no poll tax), and the first year all voters were required to register.

Tony Martinez Jr., 17, of Hart saved two neighbor children from a trailer house fire that claimed the life of the younger sister of the two. The youth was given a Hero Award in March, and was honored by the Texas Legislature in July.

In April twin mothers had baby girls 18 hours apart and shared a room in PMH — Evelyn Ball of Friona and Ethyl Schmucker of Nazareth. Nurses said, "We can tell the babies apart just fine. It's the mothers we can't tell apart."

A survey by the Extension office in May showed that Hart babysitters were the best paid in the county on the average.

1969

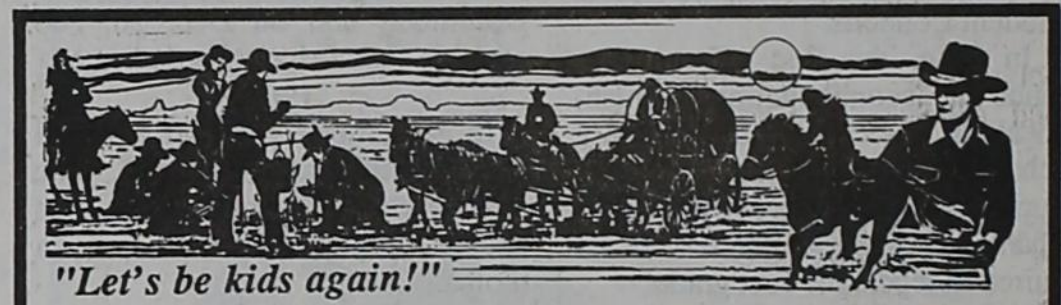
In January, "Doc" Render made the first verified hole-in-one on the country club golf course.

The First Baptist Church of Dimmitt had a groundbreaking ceremony in February.

The Dimmitt Kiwanis Club was organized in March.

In a labor survey, 1,525 workers registered in the county by July 3.

PMH began construction on a 16-bed wing in July.



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2,500 toured the new hospital.

More new businesses opened during the summer — House of Fabric in June, Lindsey Cleaners at a new location in July, S & K Manor apartments in July, C.R. Anthony's in August, and an expansion at First State Bank.

In October, construction began on another apartment complex on Northwest 11th Street, and at the end of the month it was announced that Western Auto would open soon.

1965

Golden Spread Nursing home held its formal opening in January, and in February Red Barn Chemicals held its grand opening.

Dr. B.D. Murphy opened medical practice here in March, and groundbreaking was held in April for a new building for the Southwestern Public Service office.

Taylor & Sons enlarged in May, and building plans for a new post office and a new telephone office were announced in June. A large new service station was constructed in June (now known as Red X).

Carver Pharmacy's building was nearly finished by mid-July, and Parsons started an expansion project around the same time. At its grand opening in December, Parsons ended up with 6,500 square feet, including a fountain area seating 40.

October saw the grand opening of Dimmitt Super Save (which is now the Senior Citizens Center).

1966

Kittrell Electronics held its grand opening in June.

At the end of July, the News announced that Don Nelson would be re-joining the staff.

In November, SPS installed 198 automatic street lights in the city.

A traffic light was installed at the intersection of East Jones and Southeast Second, making it the second traffic signal in the city.

1967

The Schaeffer building was under construction in January, and an airport bond election was called in February and passed in March.

In June the Chamber of Commerce members voted to establish an Industrial Development Corporation.

In September, a would-be bank robber crashed OUT through the front window of Farmers State Bank at Hart, leaving both shoes behind. He wasn't apprehended until January of 1968.

In December, the Highway Dept. slated \$1.8 million in work on US 385 in the county.

1968

New postal rates were announced in January, with the first class postage stamp going up to 6 cents.

Western Ammonia expansion was announced in January, and the new runway at the airport was "christened" in April.

In October, a group of investors



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If you were a kid in the '70s

The decade of the 1970s was complicated even for the most perceptive of adults to understand, and the children who were born and who grew up during that era were witness to some of the most memorable moments in American history.

The end of the Vietnam war, war protests, the Watergate scandal, the resignation of President Richard Nixon, an energy crisis, a hostage situation, a tractorcade to Washington in support of a "farm-strike" and celebration of the nation's bicentennial in 1976 were among some of the biggest stories of the decade.

SCHOOL 1970

The Dimmitt School Board adopted a new dress policy "in the interest of an educational atmosphere, dignity of the individual, decency and pride in our school and community."

Nazareth Schools followed suit and adopted a dress policy similar to the one enforced at Dimmitt.

Randy Schumacher of Dimmitt received all-state honors in football in Class AA.

Ten Dimmitt boys successfully completed a record setting 80-hour basketball marathon. Cherry a la Mode won the 49th and final game, 61-56, over the Lemon Meringue.

Kent Bradford won DHS's first state championship in a literary event in science.

Bobby Baker of Dimmitt was named All-State in Class AA in basketball.

1971

In basketball, Kent Bradford and Mark Wohlgenuth were named Class AA all-staters.

The DHS Student Senate submitted a plan to turn DHS's courtyard into an attractive mall with walkways, picnic tables and vending machines.

DHS's Key Club received its charter.

Robert Ryan was hired as the new principal for Dimmitt High.

1972

DHS librarian, Mrs. Gladys Leeth, retired after 26 years of service to DHS.

The Dimmitt School Board voted to continue the closed campus policy.

The Hart Longhorns football team qualified for the playoffs for the first time in the school's history.

During the Castro County Fat Stock Show, steers and barrows averaged 60-65 cents a pound, while lambs average \$1.

Danny Ebeling of Dimmitt was named all-state in Class AA in basketball.

1973

Dimmitt Independent School District voters rejected a proposed \$1.65 million school upgrading program.

DHS basketball players battled during a 100-hour marathon and earned \$1,000 for Rhoads Memorial Library. They played a total of 69-1/4 games.

Nazareth tennis player Kim King brought home the first state championship to the school when she won the girls' singles state title.

DHS Industrial Arts students took home four state championships.

1974

Kim King repeats as Class B state girls' tennis singles champion. Kim and her father, Joe were honored by the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame for their 1973 performances in tennis. They received the first father-daughter award in the history of the honor.

Jimmy Brown of Hart received Class A all-state honors in football.

Bobcat, Paul Langford, garnered Class AA all-state honors in basketball.

Three Dimmitt juniors were suspended for six days when they joined the "national campus fad" by shucking off most of their clothes while on a cross-country run during the final period of the school day. A witness reported that the boys streaked across US 86 near the Country Club en route to the high school stadium. As a result of their suspension, the youths missed their six-weeks exams and received zeros on their tests.

1975

Craig Williams, Wayne McKee, Jim Birdwell and Steve Myatt, Bobcat basketball players were honored as Class AA all-staters after the Bobcats won the state title.

Robert Mayberry of Dimmitt was named to the 3-AA all-state second team and was also named an All-American.

Kent Irons of Hart was named to the 3-A all-state second team in football.

Stephen Finch of Hart won the state 220-yard dash with the time of 22.1 seconds.

The third time was the charm for Patti Hochstein and Delphine Wethington in girls' doubles. The pair won the Class B state title after traveling to Austin the two years before.

South Elementary School was renamed to Helen Richardson Elementary in honor of the woman who served as principal there for 16 years.

The Dimmitt School Board voted to purchase the Golden Spread Nursing Home for \$57,500 to use as administrative offices.

DHS's new football field displayed six steel 90-foot light towers built by Donald Wright.

1976

Dimmitt basketball players receiving all-state honors were Jim Birdwell, Beth Cleveland and Marla Winders. Nazareth players receiving all-state honors were Elaine Schulte and Vera Birkenfeld.

Helen Richardson, long-time teacher and principal in Dimmitt elementary schools, was one of the ten recipients of the Texas Panhandle Award for Distinguished Service.

Elaine Schulte of Nazareth jumped five feet, five inches to break the state Class B record while



competing at the state track meet. The first John Blaine scholarship was awarded to Jim Birdwell in the amount of \$300.

The Hart Longhorn football won the regional title with a 14-12 win over Seagraves.

1977

Byron Robert's fourth grade class picked up 164 pounds of trash from the city park in two hours time. The class went out one day out of the week for a month for 30 minutes to pick up the litter.

The Nazareth Swiftettes won their first state title in basketball under the coaching of Cathy Wilson.

Ken Cleveland was chosen to coach the North All-Star Team in the Texas High School Coaches Association's North-South All-Star game.

Those earning all-state honors were Karen Schulte, Cheryl Hartman and Lynorna Braddock of Nazareth; Jim Birdwell, Beth Cleveland and Nita Parker of Dimmitt; and Sharla Carson of Hart.

Rachelle Pohlmeier and Rosemary Schulte of Nazareth won the Class B girls' doubles state title.

Gail Kleman, senior at NHS, brought home the first gold medal in a literary event. She won first place in the Shorthand competition.

Beth Cleveland received one of the first three women's athletic scholarships ever given by Texas Tech University.

1978

Glen Black of Hart was named all-state in football in Class A.

The Nazareth Swiftettes won their second straight state basketball title. All-staters were Cheryl Hartman, Colleen Gerber and Lynora Braddock.

The Dimmitt Bobcats finished second at state, losing in the Class AA title game 60-59 to Whitehouse. Those named to all-state were Jim Bradford, Rocky Rawls and Jeff Bell.

Doretta Ramaekers and Karlene Kleman won the Class B girls' doubles tennis title.

Students at NHS welcomes Johnny Mason as their new superintendent.

1979

The Nazareth Swiftettes won their third straight basketball state title. It was Joe Lombard's first year to coach the winning team.

Glenda Gerber and Doretta Ramaekers of Nazareth won the girls' Class B state tennis doubles title.

Darryl Birkenfeld of Nazareth won state in the Class B Persuasive Speaking Contest.

Those receiving all-state honors were Glenda Gerber, Lori Gerber, Doretta Ramaekers and Jeff Schmucker of Nazareth; Lori Dyer, Vicki Cleveland and Mark Summers of Dimmitt.

The DHS Band won their 25th UIL Sweepstakes in 27 years.

AGRICULTURE 1970

Western Vegetables local cucumber plant had its capacity increased by almost one third, giving it room to store some three million pounds of cucumbers.

Doyle C. Morris had the top yield in the state in the National Corn Growers Association's 1970 National Irrigation Corn Yield Contest with a yield of 207.18 bushels per acre on a 25-acre field.

Bob DuLaney also of Dimmitt placed second in the contest.

1971

Melvin Barton of Dimmitt was one of the three-member US Sorghum Promotion Team that went to Europe.

Agricultural income for 1971 set a new record. Castro County reaped \$6-to \$7-1/2 million more than it did in 1970.

1972

Dale Maxwell of Dimmitt was named new director of the West Texas Vegetable Growers Council.

1973

The best crop year in history. Wheat average 40 bushels per acre; corn, 150; and milo, more than 7,000 pounds.

A decline in fat-cattle prices during the second half of the year drove prices down below the breakeven point.

1974

Castro County was among the top 10 vegetable producing counties in Texas.

1975

Special vocational training was available for seasonal farm workers through the Manpower Training Office. Those who were 18 or over and earned their principal income from seasonal farm work were eligible to apply.

1976

Castro County was introduced to its first entomologist. Olan Moore arrived in Dimmitt to direct a pilot pest management program in the county.

Castro County turned out more than 90,000 fed cattle than in 1975.

1977

Ray Joe Riley of Sunnyside was named "Texas Ag Man of the Year."

A national farmers' strike, supported by "American Agriculture" was set for December 14. Farmers went on strike for 100% parity for their products. Local merchants showed support for the farmers by closing stores for the day.

1978

Castro County was one of 25 counties in nine states selected for a pilot energy-saving program for corn and sorghum producers.

1979

At least five tractors and 27 Castro County residents traveled to Washington D.C., as part of a "tractorcade" to protest law farm commodity prices.

The group lobbied for 90% of parity on commodity loan levels and labeling on imported meats, set-aside provisions to stabilize supply and demand of farm pro-

ducts, and curbs on imported raw and processed agricultural products to levels that would not interfere with 100% parity in the future.

Tractors were driven by local residents—Dick Shackelford, Bob and Rocky Kay, Bob DuLaney, Dale Carmichael, and Hershel and Lonnie Wilson.

Substitute drivers and supporters also making the trip were Jim Roberts, Donald Ray Carmichael, Bill Yokum, Tommy Stanton, Roland Stephens, Doyle Underwood, Gerald Summers, Edgar Dennis, Richard Connell, Odus and Max Hastings, J.H. Myatt, Jean DuLaney, Vickie Yokum, Sherry Kay, Jo Beth Shackelford, Curtis Grand, Joe Ward, La Deene Carmichael and Keri Carmichael.

BUSINESS 1970

A new Perry Bros. Variety Store opened while Anthony's completed its expansion.

The library received a \$90,000 gift to build a separate building from Mrs. Tylene Perry of Plainview.

Jerry Kittrell managed Kittrell Electronics both in Dimmitt and Hart.

A new one-cent city sales tax (Continued to page 12B)

Attend the **Petting Zoo** Saturday from 12 to 4 In the quonset barn north of the Expo Building



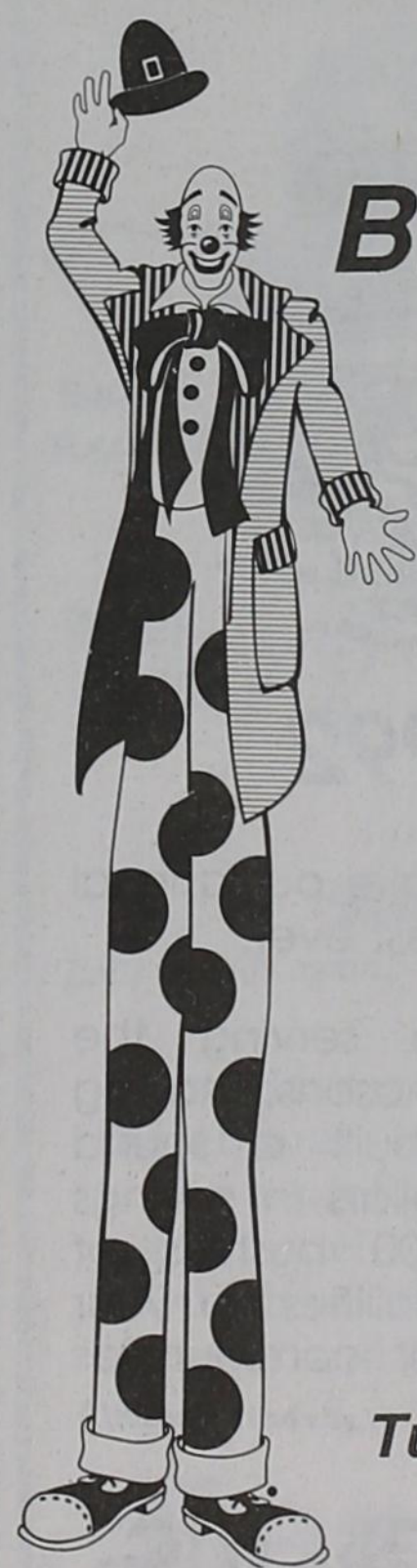
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Be sure to get out and enjoy the Parade, the County Fair, the Old Settlers' Reunion, the Quilt Show, the Pet Show and all the many other events on the calendar.



"Let's be kids again!"

If you were a kid in the '70s



corn syrup refinery was opened. A new postal era began. The US Post Office Department was replaced by the US Postal Service. Eight cent stamps were in use.

The nation's biggest corn dryer was built in Dimmitt. It could dry 6,000 bushels per hour.

Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church pledged \$35,000 to help build a \$70,000 activity center and garden room at King's Manor Methodist endowed retirement home in Hereford.

The penny sales tax netted \$66,572 in 1971.

1972

It was decided that a new library would be built on 1/8 of a block at the corner of West Second and Bedford. The purchase was made by the First State Bank in Dimmitt for \$25,000.

Allsup's 7-11 was opened at Fifth and Bedford and Immaculate Conception Church was opened for Catholic services.

Dimmitt's American Legion retired its mortgage on the Legion Hall after 12 years of payments.

A \$100,000 bond was set up to build a new fire station.

Castro County and its two incorporated cities received \$86,834 on its first federal revenue-sharing checks.

Southwestern Public Service Company construction crews completed a conversion project which raised primary voltage from 2,400 volts to 2,700-12,100 volts.

1973

Amstar Corp of New York reached an agreement with Dimmitt Agri-Industries to lease the corn wet-milling plant for \$10 million.

1973 was a year of residential construction and commercial expansion — \$550,000-South Hills Manor nursing home; \$225,000-Rhoads Memorial Library; \$185,000-Ruskin Circle Apartments and Swim Club; dedication of the city fire station and remodeled city hall; and expansion of the TG&Y Store.

Nazareth became an incorporated city.

The food stamp program was put into effect when the 62nd Texas Legislature appropriated \$7.7 million.

1974

Residential and commercial construction was down for the year. In 1973, \$1,608,789 worth of construction was done compared to \$56,750 in 1974.

1975

The Amstar Corporation's Spreckles Sugar Division broke ground with a \$23 million addition to its Dimmitt plant.

Phone rates went up an average of 75 cents. Increases included private residential phones—\$7.50 (up from \$6.75); \$6.50 for two-party residential phones (up from \$5.75); \$15 for private business phones (up from \$12.50); and \$13 for two-

party business phones (up from \$11).

Montgomery-Ward catalog sales agency opened along with Tots and Teens and Paxton Tires and Service.

1976

New businesses opening up included Hays Implement, George Real Estate and George & George Construction Co.

Farmers State Bank in Hart was remodeled and expanded.

1977

Projects completed during the year included the First State Bank building; a newly remodeled Killingsworth building, the new facilities of Dennis Funeral Home, the Ernest Samman's building to manufacture corn headers, and the 'Playa Pro-Surf' tennis courts at Ruskin Racquet Club.

1978

Castro County senior citizens moved into a new home at Southwest Third and Jones Street.

Ribbon cutting ceremonies opened Dimco Industries, a new million dollar vegetable processing facility in Dimmitt.

1979

Delores Golden was named Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce manager.

COMMUNITY

1970

The first baby of the decade born in Plains Memorial Hospital was Raul Rene Ramirez, born at 1:45 a.m., January 2, to Diana and Rene T. Ramirez.

Sheriff Jack Cartwright became the first Castro County resident on the board of directors at Girlstown. John Blaine was inducted into the Texas Coaches Hall of Fame.

Don Nelson was selected as new president of the Panhandle Press Association.

The Donald Wright family was named Dimmitt's "Baseball Family of the Year."

The mercury fell to subzero for the first time in four years.

1971

Lometa Odom was the first woman ever inducted into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame.

The News was honored for the best news pictures by the Texas Press Association.

It was decided that juries would be selected by raffle drawings.

1972

A tragic accident took the lives of 10 young people in a two-car head-on collision. The accident was the worst of the year in Texas and tied the all-time state record for the number of people killed in a two-vehicle wreck.

Two Michigan girls, Diane Siegeland and Charlotte Beddow rode bicycles 2,000 miles to Dimmitt to attend the wedding of Sharon Welch and James Patton.

Mrs. Bobby Vilas of Dimmitt made a hole-in-one on hole number two at the Country Club. Her 4-iron shot was witnessed by Joe Butler and Ralph Glover. She was the first woman to ever score an ace at the Country Club.

John Blaine was installed as a

member of the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame.

Father Stanley Crocchiola's book *From Cattleman to Feedlot, 1880-1970*, traced the decline of cattle and ranches and rebirth of the feedlot industry.

The George Howell family was named "Library Family of the Year" because of their extensive use of the library.

At the first annual Dimmitt Athletic Club Tournament, local boxers took eight championships and five runner-up awards.

Local barbers raised their fees 25 cents because of the popular longer hairstyles. For example, Lumbrea Barber Shop raised their prices to \$2 per haircut.

The News started a poll for the ladies—"Do you prefer the title of

Miss and Mrs. or Ms.?" By a margin of 3 to 1, readers preferred the traditional titles of Miss and Mrs. to Ms.

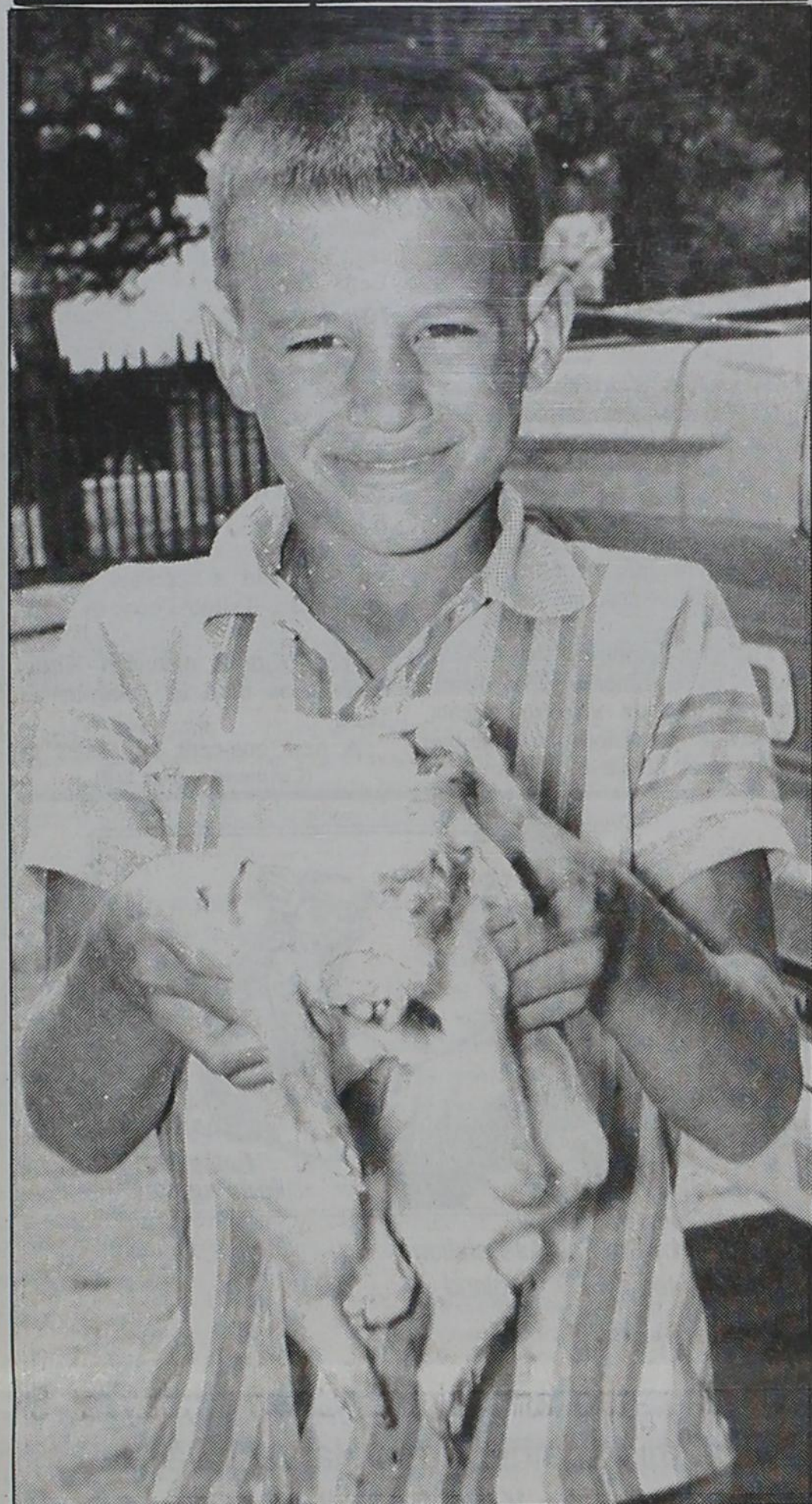
The first Christmas pageant was held at Nazareth. The pageant depicted the life of Christ, beginning with the Annunciation and continuing through the 12 years he spent in the Biblical town of Nazareth.

1973

An emergency stretcher arrived at Plains Memorial Hospital costing \$2,087.50. It included an X-ray litter top, built-in oxygen unit and a center control pedestal.

Police received new brown and tan uniforms and postal workers took on a new look when they were allowed to wear shorts.

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JIMMY HOCHSTEIN displays a "freak pig." The pig had eight legs, four ears and a single head, with its two sets of hind-quarters joined at the addomen. The pig was stillborn. This photo was taken from the July 23, 1970 edition of the News.

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went into effect in Hart and Dimmitt pouring \$64,670 into the city treasury during its first year.

A new mobile home park was annexed with four acres adjoining the north city limits.

Dimmitt Consumers held its grand opening at its new location at East Bedford and Second.

Dimmitt's Western Ammonia plant was doubled in size when it was purchased by Goodpastures Industries, Inc.

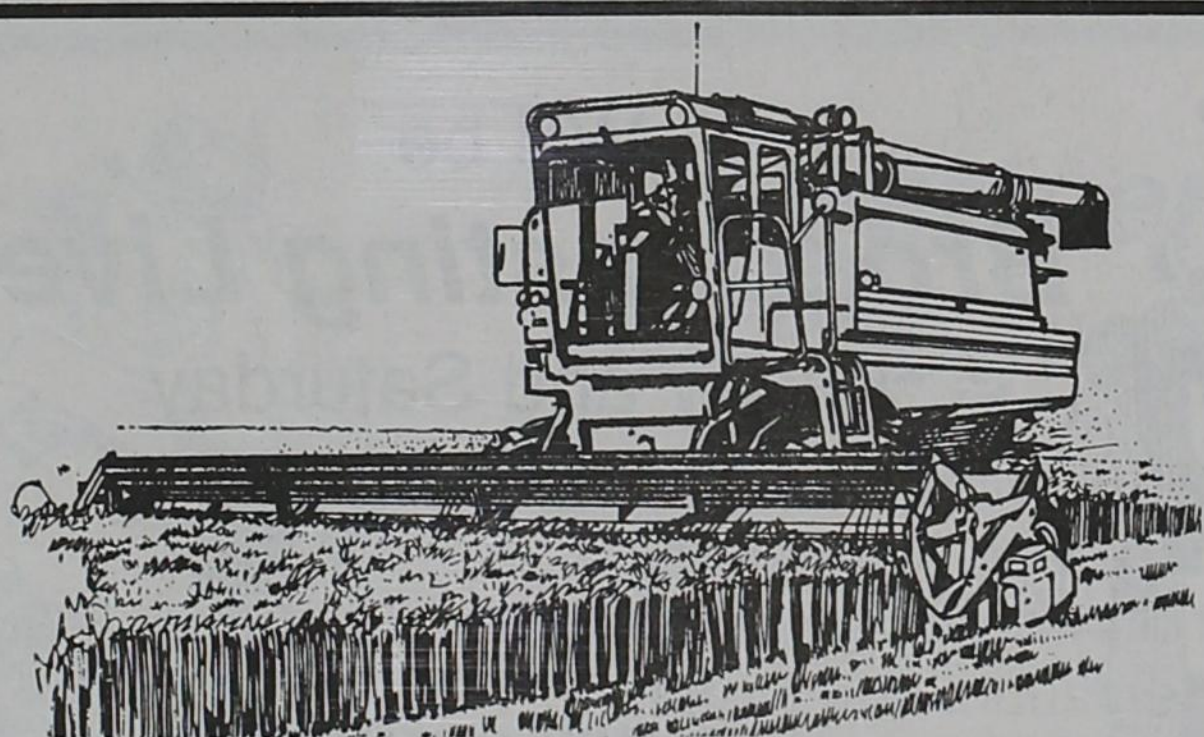
1971

The Castro County library was at its new location at 105 East Bedford with Mary Edna Hendrix as librarian.

The "Fun After 50" club was organized and opened to all Castro County residents over the age of 50.

The new sewage treatment plant in Dimmitt turned out safe and usable water.

Gibson's Center moved to Dimmitt while Dimmitt Agri-Industries



Harvest Days, 1992

We congratulate all who are working to make our annual Harvest Days celebration the biggest and best ever.

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"Let's be kids again!"

If you were a kid in the '70s

(Continued from page 12B)
Jim Steiert of Hart was named editor of the News.

1974

Father Stanley Crocchiola released his book, *The Early Days of the Oil Industry in the Texas Panhandle*.

Local parents put up a \$5,000 reward on the head of every drug pusher that was turned in at Castro County. It was considered one of the toughest anti-drug movements in Texas history.

The national speed limit of 55 mph was enforced as a result of the "energy crisis."

1975

Marshall Young was sworn in as new Justice of the Peace.

Pate Tate Truelove was the second woman ever to be inducted into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame.

Donald and Katy Wright were

named "Citizens of the Year." They were the first dual winners of the highest local civic award.

Castro County, the City of Dimmitt and Plains Memorial Hospital combined forces and purchased the 1973 model ambulance from Dennis Funeral Home after their ambulance service was terminated.

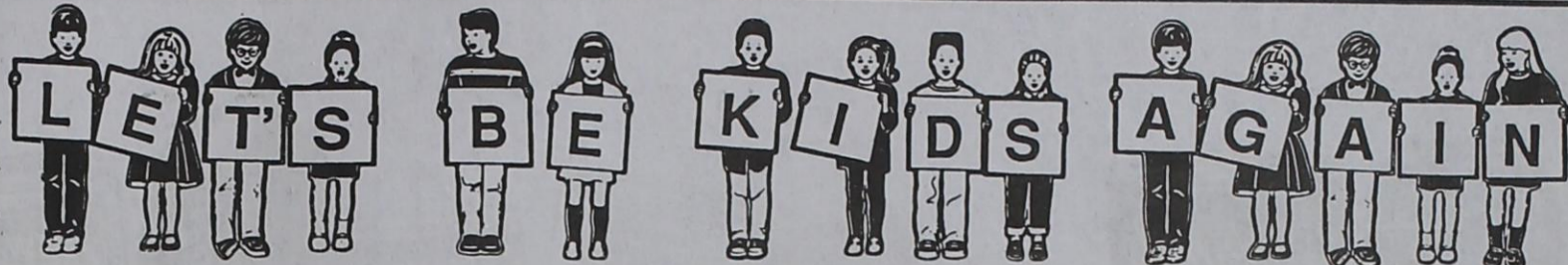
Charles L. Hottel of Dimmitt, Castro County Extension agent for 17 years, was selected to receive the Distinguished Service Award, the highest award given by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents.

1976

A 'liberty tree' (pecan tree) was planted in the courthouse square. It was the first program to be held honoring the bi-centennial year.

The county switched to DDD (Direct Distance Dialing) services.

Father Stanley Crocchiola re-



DONALD WRIGHT, coach of the Little League Cardinals, gives a batting tip to his son, Jimmy, while his son, Ricky looks on. The Wrights were named Dimmitt's first "Baseball Family of the Year." This picture was taken from the July 9, 1970 edition of the News.

leased his book *Railroads of the Texas Panhandle*.

Anita Parker was the first Dimmitt youth to go to another country as an American Field Service exchange service. She spent the summer in Colombia.

The News produced the bi-centennial edition of July 1 with the theme "Long Live Our Obligations" which was placed in the time capsule in the courthouse square along with 82 parcels.

Rida Goldsmith received state certification as the first policeman in Dimmitt.

1977

A uniform traffic code was adopted in Dimmitt. It did not change traffic laws, but it required city officers to send reports of traffic violations to Austin.

Katherine Acker, 22, of Nazareth, was sworn in as the youngest postmaster in the Texas Panhandle.

Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth celebrated its 75th anniversary, and Daniel Garza was

ordained the first priest from Dimmitt.

Senator Kent Hance announced that he was running for Congress.

Irene A. Keating, Castro County Extension agent, earned the Distinguished Service Award for 1977—the highest honor given by the National Association of the Extension Home Economics.

1978

Dimmitt native Kent Hance was elected to the US Congress.

1979

Kent Hance was named to the House Agriculture Committee in fulfillment of one of his expressed goals as Congressman.

Pete Garza was named the new president of the Texas Panhandle Community Action Corporation.

Meal service began in the Castro County Senior Citizens Center, offering a nominally-priced hot lunch at noon each day to county residents over 60.

Taken from the *Castro County News* dated January 6, 1972

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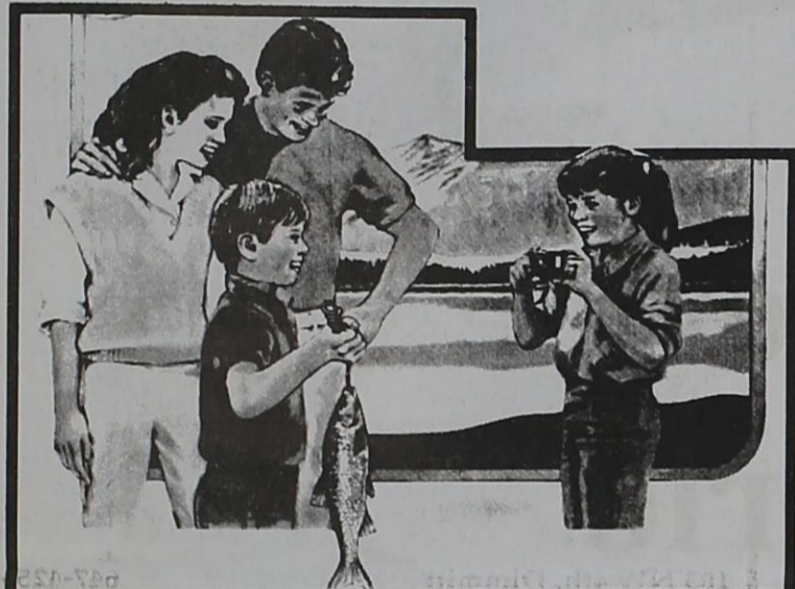
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Photographers:

The Photography Section of the County Fair is open to professionals and amateurs alike. Mount your favorite snapshots on colored poster-board and share them with us. (See the Fair Book for specific sizes and categories.)

Let's have a great Photography Show this year. We'll see you there!

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Let's Be Kids Again!

Let's turn back the clock and enjoy all the activities of Harvest Days with child-like enthusiasm,

Kids:

Don't miss the

KIDS' GAMES

Saturday from 2 to 3 p.m. east of the Expo Building

They've planned a lot of great games for you in two age groups—6 and under, and 7-12. This is an event planned just for you!

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Attend the
Museum Open House
Saturday, 12-5
Castro County Historical Museum
404 W. Halsell St.

Castro County History Books (Volume II—Centennial Edition) Will be Available

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We are happy to help with the **PET SHOW** again this year!

From quacks to barks to meows to moos, you're liable to see and hear it all at the annual Pet Show Friday at 5 p.m. at the Expo Building.

Kids, come out and display your pets for prize ribbons.

DIMMITT VETERINARY CLINIC & SUPPLY

Team Roping!
County Team Roping! (Thursday night only)

Steer Riding! (14 & under, Thursday)

Bull Riding!

Calf Roping!

Steer Wrestling!

Saddle Bronc Riding!

Girls' Breakaway Roping!

Barrel Racing!

Bareback Riding!

"Let's be kids again!"

Get Harvest Days off to an exciting start by attending the annual Dimmitt Rodeo Thursday and Friday nights at 8. It's a professionally produced rodeo and promises to be a great one!

Our best wishes to all the cowboys and cowgirls who compete and to the sponsoring Dimmitt Roping Club.

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