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## Centennial Commission of Texas Mails Brochure to All Schools and Libraries

Within the past week there has been mailed by the publicity committee of the Texas Centennial Commission more than 4,000 copies of a 44-page brochure, accurately portraying the history of the Texas centennial movement from its inception some 11 years ago to the present date. This brochure has been mailed to every newspaper, to the manager of every chamber of commerce, to the 1400 members of the advisory boards in the 254 counties, to all members of the Texas Centennial Commission, to all libraries and state schools and to all state officials.

The distribution of the brochure is necessarily limited, and being sent to the various agencies outlined above is intended to serve in every Texas community as a reference work for writers, teachers, students, speakers and other public-spirited citizens.

It will be available for inspection at all times at the places named to anyone desiring information from it. No additional copies can be made by the publicity committee because the supply is exhausted. This book is a master creation of the printer's art, and its content has been carefully edited, with the purpose of being absolutely true to facts and history in every instance. On the front-piece is shown in color the six flags under which Texas has, underneath being a reproduction of the state capitol at Austin. The title of the brochure is "Commemorating a Hundred Years of Texas History."

The preface of the book is an eloquent explanation of the purposes of the Texas Centennial from a historical and romantic viewpoint, written by Cullen F. Thomas, president of the Texas Centennial Commission. On this page begins a series of sketches, one appearing on each page, where is recounted in brief the running story of the early day history of Texas, the facts for this presentation having been obtained from the State Library at Austin.

Next comes the eloquent proclamation issued by the then Governor Pat M. Neff on Feb. 12, 1924, calling for the first Texas Centennial conference.

Then comes a page discussion of the History of the Texas Centennial movement, followed by a review of the meeting of the Tenth District advertising clubs in Corsicana, November 5-7, 1923, when the idea of the Centennial first was advanced. Following this is the report made to the committee at a meeting in Austin by Lowry Martin, who had been named chairman of a Survey Committee. This showed sentiment to be practically unanimous in favor of the Centennial. Then following a mass meeting in Austin in answer to the proclamation of Governor Neff when a Centennial office of 100 was created with Cato Sells (Continued on back page)

**STAR THEATRE**  
HEREFORD, TEXAS  
PREVIEW SATURDAY NIGHT  
SUNDAY MATINEE  
SUNDAY NIGHT  
MONDAY and TUESDAY nights

Joan CRAWFORD  
Clark GABLE  
**CHAINED**

SPECIAL SHORT SUBJECTS  
ADMISSION 10 and 35 cents

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m.  
Morning Worship 11 a. m.  
Evening service 7:30 p. m.  
At the morning service new members will be received, the sacrament of the Lord's supper will be commemorated and any parents of the Community wishing their children christened will kindly present them at this service.

If you have no other church home in Dimmitt, the Presbyterian Church welcomes you.—Rev. W. H. Bessire, Supply pastor.

## Emergency Crop Loans Amount to \$3,215,930.00

The lending season for making Emergency Crop Loans by the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Section of the Farm Credit Administration closed on September 15. According to Mr. Charles W. Sherrill, Regional Manager of the Dallas office, 43,357 crop loans were made. The total amount of these loans was \$3,215,930.00.

The notes given in connection with these loans mature October 31, 1934, however, the borrower is to make payments on his loan as his crops are harvested and sold. This is in accordance with his mortgage which he gave guaranteeing the payment of his loan. The full proceeds received from the sale of his products are to be forwarded for credit to his account or a sufficient amount to pay his loan in full, making remittances payable to the Governor, Farm Credit Administration and mail to the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office, Dallas, Texas. The borrower is allowed to retain the cotton seed to cover the harvesting expenses. It is to the interest of every borrower to pay his loan promptly as his crop is sold, thereby obtaining a release on the remaining portion of his crops to be used for his own need.

Remittances are being received rapidly in payment of 1934 loans as well as prior balances due on 1931, 1932 and 1933 loans. To date, J. M. Wells, Aransas, Kleburg and Nueces Counties in Texas and Pima County in Arizona have paid all 1935 loans in full. This is a forerunner indicating good collections for 1934. The Dallas Office is expecting to make even a better collection record than was made in 1933.

### STAR THEATRE IMPROVED

The Star Theatre at Hereford is "all dressed up" these days following a remodeling and repainting job last week. In addition new drapes have been added and the talking equipment improved.

J. C. Parker, manager of the theatre says these improvements are a part of the program contemplated by Uncle Sam under the National Housing Act.

The Star Theatre is one of the most progressive in the Southwest showing the latest pictures at their earliest release date and holding to a standard of low prices unequalled in this territory.

The Star Theatre is a consistent advertiser in The Castro County News and enjoys a good patronage from this community.

### NOTICE

Anyone desiring to place a religious announcement in The Castro County News may do so free of charge whether the services are to be held in Dimmitt, Nazareth, Hart, Flagg, or any rural community. However, they must be in the News office by Wednesday noon.

### Dancer at East Texas Rose Festival



This graceful young lady above is Miss Gretta Connolly Tyler society girl, who will pay a unique tribute to the East Texas rose when she gives her "Rose Dance" at the East Texas Rose Festival in Tyler, October 11 and 12. She will dance at the coronation of the Rose Queen the night of October 11. (Texas News Photos.)

## Castro Theatre Will Continue Free Matinees

Through the courtesy of Mr. A. W. Phillips, owner of The Castro Theatre, and the merchants of Dimmitt, the free matinee will continue each Saturday afternoon. These free shows began in January and have continued each Saturday. Dimmitt is the smallest town in the State that gives these free matinees to the public. Only the latest and highest class pictures are shown.

Everyone in the county is invited to Dimmitt to attend these free shows.

### MINISTER WELCOMED

Thos. McDonald, minister for the Church of Christ, and wife were taken by surprise when many members of the Church of Christ went in a body from the A. C. Grant home to the home of the preacher to welcome to Dimmitt.

Many "pounds" were presented to them as a token of appreciation and love.

Singing and talking was the diversion until a late hour.

Gene Kimbell is in Kress this week visiting his sister. Incidentally Gene is constructing an airplane which he hopes to "fly" soon.

## Friendship Days To Be Resumed At Plainview

Plainview, October 3.—The business and professional interests of Plainview are reestablishing the Friendship Day program starting Wednesday, October 3, and each Wednesday thereafter through the month of March, 1935.

The first program will be a cash contest at the bandstand on Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. One of the big, outstanding features will be the automobile contest Wednesday, October 31st, at 3:30 p. m.

### JUNIOR STUDY CLUB ORGANIZED

A Junior Study Club was organized Wednesday afternoon through the facilities of the Dimmitt Senior Study Club. Mrs. Ray Sheffy assisted by Mrs. Gano Hastings and Mrs. T. A. Singer. Mrs. Sheffy was chosen as sponsor. There were ten present and eight voted in. The course of study has not yet been decided.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Carrol Gunter, president; Mrs. Buck Woods, vice president; Mrs. Caud Morris, secretary; Mrs. Ray Cowser, reporter; Mrs. Bob Parker, parliamentarian; Mrs. Raymond Wilson, critic.

The time of meetings will be every first and third Wednesdays, at 3:30 in the library room.

## Federal Housing Act Urges Modernization of Homes And Business Properties

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Last Sunday was a good day from the standpoint of interest and attendance. Be with us next Lord's Day. "Out of Work," will be the subject for the morning service, and "God's Greatest Gift," will be the subject for the evening.

The minister and his family were made to rejoice Monday evening when the church gave them a shower of good things. A large crowd came and much of the time was devoted to gospel singing. May the Lord bless them for their hospitality, and may we have a successful year together. Thos. McDonald, Minister.

### METHODIST REVIVAL BEGUN HERE SUNDAY, OCT. 7

The annual revival of the Methodist Church begins Sunday. Rev. T. M. Johnston of Wellington will do the preaching for the meeting. Rev. Johnston is a very popular and aggressive preacher, and the local pastor and official board are fortunate in securing his services for the meeting.

The whole town and community are invited to be present at every service of the revival. The services will be held at 10:00 a. m. and at 7:45 p. m. Mr. Ed West the popular local song leader will be the director of music for the revival.—Alfred H. Freeman, Pastor.

### HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Adair, mother of Mrs. Cecil Montgomery, is in the hospital this week for treatment.

Mrs. Curtis Martin, who has been in the hospital several days, is reported improving at this writing.

Mrs. Neil Cooper was dismissed from the hospital Wednesday. Her condition was much improved.

### SERMON SUBJECTS SUNDAY AT METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a. m. "The Open Door"  
7:45 p. m. "Sportsmanship or Alibis."

All leagues will meet at 7:15 p. m. Church school at 10 a. m.

The Friendly Church invites you one and all to worship with us.—Alfred H. Freeman, Minister.

Mr. Hamil, agent for the American Seed Co. of Ft. Worth, visited his cousin, Carl Kemp, Friday night while transacting business here.

In an ambitious movement designed to lift the lagging construction and capital goods industries out of the doldrums, the Federal Housing Administration has launched its nation-wide program to encourage the repair and modernization of residential and commercial properties.

This program is in line with the objectives of Title 1 of the National Housing Act, passed by the 73rd Congress as one of the most important pieces of recovery legislation since the National Recovery Act.

Under the terms of the Act, private financial institutions are enabled to make investments having the same degree of security and liquidity as is possessed by their best collateral loans. The government makes no direct loans to property owners, but rather, creates the machinery by which borrowers may obtain funds from established credit sources with greater ease than even in normal times.

### A National Need

Private industry and public officials alike agree that property modernization in the United States constitutes a national need. Millions of American homes, apartments, offices, stores, factories, and other buildings have suffered seriously from lack of normal care and attention during the past four or five years of depression. It is conservatively estimated that 16,500,000 buildings in the United States have reached a serious state of disrepair, and of these at least 3,000,000 have arrived at such a physical state that nothing short of a major building operation can save them. The remaining 13,500,000 for the most part require only minor repairs, but they are of the character that must be initiated at once to offset serious deterioration.

### How Government Aids

The Federal Government, through the Housing Administration, will insure lending agencies against 100 per cent of all losses, provided the total of such losses does not exceed 20 per cent of the aggregate amount of funds advanced for property improvements. This insurance is virtually an iron-clad guarantee of protection for the financial institutions, since the highest known loss ratio on similar types of loans has not exceeded 3 per cent.

## Local Lions Organize Debating Club; Will Be Aided by Teachers

At the regular meeting of the Lions Club last Tuesday arrangements were completed for the organization of a debating club. This movement is under the joint sponsorship of the Lions club and the faculty of the local school system.

This is primarily for the encouragement of debating and public speaking among our school students but the public may be invited to take part later.

The first program will be combined with the PTA public meeting on Friday night October 12. At this time Floretta Meeks and Ladell Lanham will meet the Lions Ed West and Ernest Hill on the subject, Resolved That the Evils of the Machine Age Outweigh the Benefits of Mankind. The Lions team will defend the affirmative.

The Club is also inviting some member from either the speech or music class honor roll, to be our guest on each Tuesday.

Bill Kirkpatrick was our guest from the speech department this week, and gave two very humorous readings which were enjoyed by all.

The public is cordially invited to attend this first public meeting and lend your support. Reporter.

J. W. Tarpley and family were in Amarillo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stafford and Hallene of Portales, N. M. visited friends in Dimmitt from Friday until Sunday.



