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## Look To The East

By Aaron Edgar

When the noise and smoke of battle had cleared away, a man sitting just to our right exclaimed: "They didn't have a one standing!"

It was a sham battle staged in Old Fort Griffin, and the man on my right was seated, same as we were, to view the melodrama of the historic old fort that was once commanded by Gen. Robert E. Lee. This was the "Prairie Theatre" in Albany, and the occasion this year was the celebrating of 100 years of Shackelford County.

We were seated on the hillside, and the stage was slightly beneath us—an area that was a sort of "sink hole" between the hillsides—a perfect setting for the outdoor theatre.

We were guests of our nephew, Ed L. Edgar and his good wife, Rosalee. The date was Thursday night, June 27, and a few days earlier we'd received a note from Ed stating that he had two extra tickets, would have a light supper just after the 6 p.m. parade, and he had ample room for us to spend the night. Just recently, we had received one of those chain letter things that began with a sort of prayer in which it was stated "Something good is going to happen to you." We guess this was it!

We arrived there in time for the parade, and saw "history pass down Main Street" along with others. It seemed that all of Albany and people from all the forks of Shackelford County lined the street for this historic parade which lasted for better than 30 minutes.

There were forty entries in the parade, including several riding clubs, a girls' baseball team in action atop a flat-bed truck, a public bathing place at the rear of a dentist's office, a barber shop, an exact replica of a "prairie schooner," a buckboard, the old Butterfield Stage Coach, a chuck wagon, and other displays of historic nature.

Professor Lightning Streak on his rain making machine rode down the street and promised he'd make it rain before nightfall. Few, if any, standing in all available shade as protection from the hot sun, believed that!

An old prospector, with burro laden with articles of his trade, prodded down the street—still looking for that gold discovery. A replica of the first Texas Central Railroad engine came "tootin'" along, and was followed by a number of dated transportation vehicles—a 1937 Ford pickup carrying a cow, a two-wheeler bike, and a 1914 Model "T" Ford.

Real dogs kept a raccoon at bay up a tree as one flatbed passed by. A buffalo cow with suckling calf attracted attention.

A replica of Shackelford County's first oil rig rolled by, then during the Fandangle it was made to "spout oil" clear over the top.

We thought the Fandangle would be practically the same as we saw it a few years back, but it was different enough to be of much interest. There were more and brighter costumes, many lovely songs written by Albany people principally to fit the occasion, and narrations by a clear-voiced man and woman made the fast-moving scenes seem more real.

The action dealt with the first arrival in Shackelford, the old Fort Griffin in its hey-day, the building of railroad that missed Fort Griffin and brought about its decline, followed with the building of the town of Albany at the site of the railroad's end.

Tribute was paid to the historic old clock located on the tower of the courthouse. After 100 years, this old clock points off the minutes and hours of

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TINA JOSSELET



JANET JACKSON



SHARON BEATY



MELISSA ZEISEL

## Red Sox Win Championship!

# Munday Will Host Little League Play-Offs July 18th

It was a battle to the end, but the Red Sox emerged victorious last Monday night to claim the Little League Championship. By defeating the Braves, the other contender for the crown, the Red Sox gained the lead even if they lost their final game Friday night. The winning score was 10 to 4. The league winner had been a toss-up all season with first one team and then another gaining the lead. Then Monday night, the Red Sox and Braves were still neck and neck. To win the championship the Braves needed to defeat the Red Sox in the next two consecutive games, whereas the Red Sox needed only one win to end the battle.

In the other game played Monday night, the Yankees defeated the Cardinals 8 to 5. In Thursday, June 27 action, the Red Sox defeated the Yankees 7 to 3, while the Cards beat the Braves 6 to 5.

The Little League play-offs will be held in Munday this year starting on July 18. The first game will be between Munday and Crowell. The second game will find Knox City and Seymour pitted against each other.

The Little League All-Stars

will be announced on Friday night, July 5, after the second game.

The winner of the "Miss Little League" contest will be announced Saturday, July 6, after the second PeeWee game. PeeWee queen contestants are Tina Josselet for the Tigers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koenig, Janet Jackson for the Mets, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felton Jackson, Sharon Beaty for the Bears, daughter of Mrs. Lois Beaty, and Melissa Zeisel for the Pirates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Zeisel. The other four contestants are Susan Morrow, Debra Decker, Debra Carver, and Kristi Smith.

The Little League and Pee Wee League teams and their parents will have an ice cream supper after the ballgames Saturday night.

In Pee Wee action Tuesday,

June 25, the Tigers defeated the Pirates 8 to 1, while the Mets beat the Bears 19 to 4. Friday night's game, June 28 found the Mets winning over the Bears 10 to 5. The Tigers defeated the Pirates 11 to 4. The Little League baseball season will come to a close,



GONE, GONE Is this residence on South Munday Ave. which was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. Firemen probing in the ruins to keep the fire going are barely visible (right) behind the smoke.

## Fire Destroys Residence

Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed an old residence on South Munday Ave. early last Sunday morning.

Firemen were called about 1 a.m. Sunday to combat the flames, which appeared to have originated near the center of the building. After leaving the ruins and returning home and to bed, a second alarm sounded around 6 a.m., and firemen again went to the scene.

They discovered the residence practically destroyed, and spent some time there prob-

## SS Representative Coming July 11th

A representative of the Vernon office of the Social Security Administration will be at the City Hall in Munday from 10 a.m. until noon on Thursday, July 11 to answer questions and take applications for Old Age, Survivors, Disability and Health Insurance under the Social Security program.

## Courier Will Close 2 Days

It comes that time when employees, as well as employer, need a few days rest. The Munday Courier will be closed Thursday and Friday, July 11 and 12th so that this can be accomplished.

By closing Thursday and Friday, this will give all a four day vacation period, as the Courier is not open on Saturday. Mr. Waggoner, owner and publisher, stated that he and all his employees would be back on the job Monday morning, July 15, ready to serve you.

## 41 Pints Of Blood Donated

"We nearly made it!", exclaimed those in charge of the Red Cross Bloodmobile's visit here last Wednesday. "Our quota was 50 units, and we collected 41 pints of that much-needed blood."

Out of the 41 units, 10 new donors gave their blood. Mrs. Winters Matthews became a two-gallon donor, and Freddie Caram a three-gallon donor for Munday.

"We want to thank each and every one who helped us in any way in this drive," the officials said. "The next time will be in 1975 (date not set). Let's get on the ball and make the next effort go over the top."

Until recent times, the sight of blood, or its loss, has been associated with tragedy and death. Now, in the light of modern knowledge, the traditional attitude has disappeared and this remarkable fluid is considered an instrument for saving human life.

## \*Bulletin

To all band people: The band tee shirts are here and can be picked up at David Huff's house.

## Flea Market Introduced To Area

The Munday area was introduced to its first flea market last week end, as a number of people displayed their wares on the vacant lot just south of Paymaster Gin.

It was decided that the event would be more successful if the trades day was held over a longer period, rather than one day only, and it was decided that it would be continued during the weekend.

Those coming Friday didn't know this, however, before ar-



FLEA MARSHALL Clint J. Norman, left, and C. E. Barnett of Knox City are pictured at Mr. Barnett's display at Munday's first flea market last Saturday.



CLOTHING AND FISHING Are featured by Mrs. William Redder and Mrs. Homer Lowrance as they relax for this photo at their flea market display Saturday.

## Important Meeting Scheduled

All farmers and landowners of the area are invited to a meeting of importance to be held in the Chamber of Commerce Conference Room on Monday night, 8:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the pollution problems found in the underground water of the Seymour Aquifer.

## Lions Send Blind Boy To Camp

Harold Collier, local blind boy, left early Monday for Kerrville to spend about two weeks at the Texas Lions Camp. Here he is being indoctrinated into activities of rehabilitation, recreation and entertainment under the supervision of camp directors.

Harold is the first one from Munday to attend the camp in several years. All previous ones have returned with enthusiastic reports of activities about the camp that are exclusively for handicapped persons. The camp is operated solely in the interest of crippled children, the blind, and diabetic children.

Only obligation incurred by the local club in sending a delegate to the Lions supported camp was for transportation to and from the camp. Mrs. John C. Spann, Mrs. Ina Cowan and Miss Merle Dingus took Harold to camp and visited in the area a few days before returning home. Harold will be returned home on Friday, July 12.

Harold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Collier of the Munday housing project, is almost completely blind although he is able to see images, etc. He attends the Texas School for the Blind in Austin during regular sessions, with expenses being provided for locally by various churches, the Lions Club, other organizations and interested citizens.

There are 182 other handicapped children attending this two-weeks session at the Texas Lions Camp.

## Knox Riders To Compete In Horse Show

Fourteen 4-H members from Knox County will compete in the District 3 4-H horse show on Friday and Saturday of this week. The show will be held at the Santa Rosa Roundup Grounds, south of Vernon.

The 22-county area will likely be represented by more than 200 4-H'ers, with all performance classes held on Friday, and the halter and showmanship classes on Saturday morning.

Arrangements for the Knox youth to compete in the show were made by County Agent Herman Collier.

## Education Grants To Co. Schools

Congressman Omar Burleson announced recently from his office in Washington, D. C., that special grants have been made to four schools of Knox County. They are as follows:

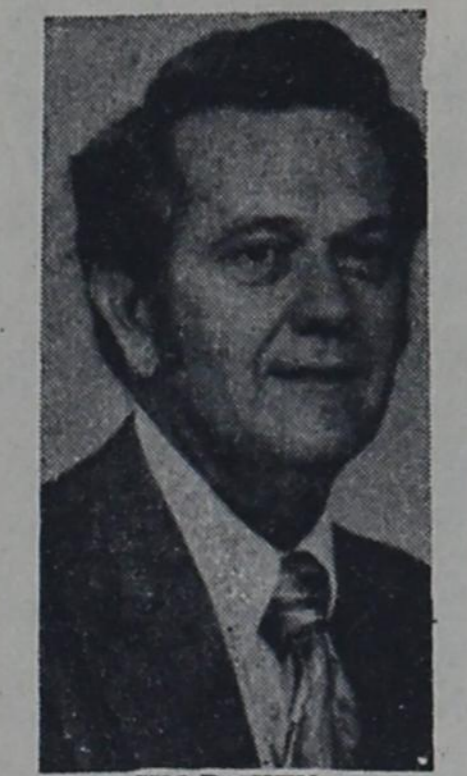
Munday Independent School District, \$1,192; Benjamin Rural High School District, \$250; Gilliland Consolidated School District, \$103; Goree Independent School District, \$904.

These funds will be used to provide programs and projects to meet the special education needs of educationally deprived children in pre-school programs, elementary schools, and certain selected secondary schools if the local educational agency determines there is a need.

The grants have been made available under Part C of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act which provides special programs for educationally disadvantaged children.

TEMPERATURES		
	HIGH	LOW
June 25	88	54
June 26	88	58
June 27	90	61
June 28	94	63
June 29	98	68
June 30	100	67
July 1	100	69

Rainfall to date for 1974 0.14



JIM PICKENS  
... new superintendent

## New Superintendent Head of Methodists

Jim T. Pickens, who was named superintendent of the Seymour District of United Methodist Churches, has become established in the district home in Seymour and is working with churches of the area, including the Methodist Church in Munday.

He replaced the retiring Dr. Marshall E. Rhew, who is now associate director of development at McMurry College, Abilene, where he and Mrs. Rhew are making their home.

Pickens, 48, a 1948 McMurry graduate, graduated from Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University in 1952. He received his MA from Emory University at Atlanta, Ga., in 1973, and has completed all his work toward a Ph.D. except the disserta-

tion. A World War II veteran, Pickens has served the Northwest Texas Methodist Conference 23 years. Before coming to Seymour he was pastor at Forrest Heights United Methodist Church in Lubbock. Prior to that he was chaplain at McMurry for 10 years, and was pastor at First United Methodist Church at Paducah and at Dimmitt.

Pickens married the former Mary Ann McCollum of McCaulley in 1953. They have two children, Larissa, 9, and James, 8. Mrs. Pickens is the daughter of Levi McCollum of McCaulley and Hamlin.

As superintendent of the Seymour District, Pickens will be in charge of 33 churches and 24 pastors. He is on the board of trustees at McMurry.









