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MR. AND MRS. PERCY HART

Pioneers' Descendant Recalls Town's Early Days

Pleasures were genuine and there were no "admission charges" for the entertainments available. Those were "the good ole days" when Hart was not yet a town but was, instead, a wide expanse of grassland with settlers arriving to prove out homesteads.

Son of the pioneer family for whom the future town would be named, Percy Hart remembers his family's arrival here even though he was only a boy of five.

Percy's father, the late T.W. Hart, had filed on a section of land in Swisher County when the homestead act limited the land to one section per family. Before that section could be proved out, the Homestead Act was amended to allow a person to file on four sections of land. Hart set out to look over other land, found four sections in Castro County which could be filed on and did so after relinquishing his claim to the land in Swisher County.

Their box house, Percy recalls, was picked up and placed on skids. Horses and mules were hitched to pull the house and the 1900 move was

begun. Percy and his little sister were allowed to ride in the house and he remembers the moving trip took two days.

"That wasn't any problem though. We were already at home, all we had to do was stop, unhitch the horses and stake them out and we were settled for the night."

Percy also has vivid memories of the first needs that faced the "new settlers." "We had to have water. There was a windmill on the Hutson place about four miles away and we hauled water in barrels. I can't remember about the water for the stock, they may have had to water along the draw."

It was not long before the Harts arranged for their own windmill. Percy doesn't recall for sure but believes the well driller must have come from Plainview. He does remember that it was just 40 feet of water.

"Our well now, at that same place, is about 150 feet."

Soon after settling, Percy's father bought cattle and marked them with the Hart brand.

It was the era before fences

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Huntsinger Named Bank Vice President

Gene Huntsinger, 34, will assume duties Monday, Feb. 3 as executive vice president of Farmers State Bank. Present-

ly living in Hereford, the new officer was elected at the Jan. 18 board of directors meeting.

A native of Lorena, Hunt-

singer is a graduate of Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University, Dallas. He is married and has two sons.

Huntsinger was associated with a bank in Temple from 1960 until 1966 when he joined the staff of a Hereford bank. He will commute from Hereford and the family will continue to make their home there until the end of school. Mrs. Huntsinger is a teacher in the Hereford school system.

Hail Suppression Meet Set Friday, Jan. 31

New officers for 1975 will be elected Friday, Jan. 31 in a special meeting of all persons interested in the hail suppression program.

The meeting is slated for 10 a.m. in the community room of Farmers State Bank. Other important business will be conducted.

Hart Pioneer, Roy McLain Rites Conducted Tuesday

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church for Roy N. McLain, 81, pioneer farmer.

Officiating were the Rev. Elra Phillips, pastor of First United Methodist Church, and B.B. Harding, minister of the Church of Christ. Interment was in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Parsons Funeral Home of Olton.

McLain died at 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt following a brief illness. He was born Dec. 22, 1893 in DeQueen, Ark. and moved with his parents to Oklahoma Territory when he was three years old. He came to Castro County at 10 years of

age.

He was married to the former Mamie Gallaton Nov. 18, 1912 in Hope, Okla.

Survivors include his wife, Mamie; three daughters, Mrs. Willie Lee Cox of Brownfield, Mrs. Anna Louise Willmon of Roswell, N.M. and Mrs. Jo Laverne Butler of Atwater, Calif.; five sons, Jack McLain of Bluejacket, Okla., R.D. McLain of Spearman, Alpha Omega McLain and Hubert McLain and Tom McLain, both of Hart; one sister, Mrs. Nell Swopes of Vinita, Okla.; four brothers, Everett McLain and Ira McLain, D.L. McLain and John McLain, all of Hart; 26 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons.

Honorary pallbearers were Claude Cox, Cecil Hamm, John B. Lilley, Ed Bennett, Loyd Davis, James Jackson, Miles Cox, Percy Hart, W.A. Hawkins Sr., M.L. Aven, Rex Bell, Bill Carthel, Ewell Jobe and Curtis Malone.

Local FFA'ers Show Champs

Local members of the Future Farmers of America took top honors last week in the Hereford Stock Show. Terry Hill exhibited the grand champion barrow, a 240 lb. crossbred.

Other top winners in the swine division were Brad Hill, champion Chester White; Lana Tucker, reserve champion Duroc and Dean Hill, reserve champion cross.

Also Terry Hill's second place lightweight cross; Kent

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City Marshal Completes Course

City Marshal Lonny Rhynes attended a narcotics school last week at Amarillo College. Sponsored by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, the course was attended by 41 area law enforcement officers.

Rhynes received a certificate for having completed the course dealing with narcotics and other dangerous drugs.

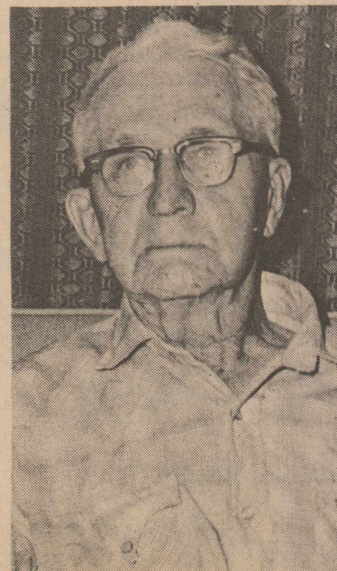
Bennett Infant Services Held

Graveside services were held Sunday at 4 p.m. in Hart Cemetery for Gregory George Bennett, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ed Bennett.

Officiating was the Rev. Elra Phillips, pastor of First United Methodist Church.

The infant was stillborn Saturday at Hi-Plains Hospital in Hale Center.

Survivors include his parents; one brother, Eric; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bennett and Mrs. Vanda Mae Moses and great-grandparents, Mrs. Van McCada of Lockney, Mrs. G.R. Bennett and Mrs. L.L. Swindle.



ROY McLAIN

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Hart Lions Meet Monday

Hart Lions Club met in regular session Monday with Milton Laurie of Kress, past district governor, as guest program director.
Viewing of a film portraying the work of the Crippled Children's Camp at Kerrville

was postponed when a projector bulb burned out and the film will be shown at the Feb. 10 meeting of the club.
Attending were approximately 15 members, Sweet-heart Cindy Hill and three guests.

Percy Harts

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and Percy says, "You had to provide salt and water and see to them every day or you didn't have any cattle. And if you didn't have cattle, you didn't have anything."
He recalls his father's system for keeping up with his own stock. "We had it arranged that the cattle had to come down a lane to reach the wagon where the feed, salt and water was. It was mine and Nina's job to stay at the wagon."
"The Longhorns which belonged to the Spade ranch but roamed all over the country were afraid of us and when they'd try to come for water, we'd raise up from the wagon and they'd be frightened away.

If they couldn't get water, they wouldn't stay around to graze and wouldn't eat our grass."
Cattle, Percy says, have an inborn urge that prompted them to come in at the same time each day. That also enabled the Hart system to succeed.
There were probably no more than 10 acres of land broken when the Harts came to Castro County. There were also very few persons already in the County. Percy remembers there was one settler on the Iley Scott Place and another about eight miles away.
"But it started settling up pretty fast. The land was taken pretty soon. Some cattlemen hired someone else to file on grassland for them."
A lot of land was traded for horses, cattle or even wagons,

he remembers. Land was cheap and the section where Percy still lives costs his father 25 cents an acre.
The two-room Hart home was a simple, plain dwelling but it was also a warm and loving place for the family which grew to include four daughters and one son.
Percy remembers the old iron range his mother cooked on and says that gathering its cow chip fuel was everyone's job.
"When we could find a place where cattle had bedded down we'd find plenty of fuel in a short time."
During snow spells, Percy recalls they'd "de-horn fence posts" for fuel and, sometimes, burn maize. "It was pretty tedious picking but that even made good pop corn," he remembers.
"We had beds all over the place and there wasn't a closet in the house - not even in the new five room house that was built in 1908. There'd be a curtain strung across a corner and the whole family hung their clothes there. And we'd have a nail on the wall to hang our coats with some lower down for the little ones to reach."
It was about six years after the Harts arrived that fences began to cross the land. "They were just strung up in any direction, just to get the grass," Percy says.
Early day settlers persuaded Percy's father to put a post office in the Hart home. A number of proposed names for the new post office were turned in to postal headquarters in Washington D.C. None of the suggestions were approved and the suggestion from their office was, "Why not name it 'Hart'?"
Mail would come in three days a week from Dimmitt. "Part of the time," Percy says, "the carrier would go on into Olton. We kept a mule and a horse for relay. He'd come here on his own horse, leave it and go on to Olton on the relay. When he came back, he'd swap again at our place."
"I don't know how they did it in those days-that was a hard trip. People were just more rugged then, I guess."
Percy recalls one of those early day carriers. "He always carried coffee with him, and of course, it would always be cold. We'd offer to heat it up for him and he'd always refuse, saying 'I like cold coffee-hot coffee makes you get cold.'"
The post office filled a vital need for the early settlers but was a far from profitable responsibility for the Hart family.
"Stamps were two cents; post cards, a penny. We got however much we cancelled. If we cancelled one two cent letters, we got two cents."
Few letters were written or received in those days. "Folks might mail one letter a week to some of their folks. Our income from the post office might run \$12 or \$15 for a quarter (of the

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
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REV. FRONIE COLE, Pastor

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Worship.....11:00 a.m.

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REV. ELOY FELAN, Assistant Pastor

Church Phone 938-2316

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Training Union.....5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:30 p.m.
WMU (Monday).....2:30 p.m.
Mid-Week Service (Wed.).....7:00 p.m.
GA's (Wed.).....4:00 p.m.
RA's (Thurs.).....4:00 p.m.

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REV. ELRA PHILLIPS, Pastor

Church Phone 938-2462

Parsonage Phone 938-2462

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MYF.....5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
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UMW (Thurs.).....2:30 p.m.

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MRS. JOHN KROPP



Cook Of The Week



Recipes are shared this week by Mrs. John Kropp, a young housewife who was born and reared in Connecticut. Roni, a shortened version of Veronica, met her husband when he was stationed in New England in the service. They moved here in September.

Roni and John have two children. Dark haired, dark eyed Jenny is two and a half years old. John Wayne Jr. "Sonny", is "just like his daddy." The fair skinned little lad is 14 months old.

Knitting and needlework are Roni's favorite pastimes after "chasing the kids."

Roni is a member of the Catholic Church.

MEAT PIE

1½ lbs. hamburger
1½ lbs. ground pork
1 large onion, chopped
7-8 cups mashed potatoes
½ t. gr. cloves
½ t. garlic salt
½ t. nutmeg
1 T. parsley flakes
Salt and pepper to taste

Break meat into small bits, add onion and cook in water until onions are soft. Drain saving liquid. Mix with all other ingredients. (Add liquid from meat if it's too dry). Make a piecrust and fill with ½ of mixture. Cover with top crust. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until crust is done. Cool 30 minutes or more before cutting.

KIELBASA & POTATOES

8 slices thick bacon, diced
2 large onions, chopped

6 large potatoes, cooked, peeled and cubed
1½ lbs. Polish kielbasa
2 bell peppers cut into 1 inch squares
salt and pepper

Fry bacon until crisp, remove. Drain off most of the drippings then saute onions until brown in remaining fat. Add potatoes and cook slowly for 15 minutes. Cook Kielbasa in boiling water for 15 minutes. Drain and cut into ½ inch slices. Add meat and peppers and stir over low heat for 10 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

WHITE BREAD

4 c. flour
1 c. warm water
1 c. milk
1 pkg. yeast
1 t. salt
½ c. sugar
1 stick oleo

Combine yeast and water in large bowl. Slowly melt oleo then add milk and heat until tepid. Add oleo and milk to yeast and water. Mix in salt and sugar. Then add flour. Mix well. Cover and set in warm place to rise for 2 hours. Turn out onto floured board and knead 12 pushes. Put back in bowl, cover and let rise 1 hour. Turn out and knead 8 pushes. Divide into 2 balls and cover and let rise 20 minutes. Handling as little as possible, place in greased, floured pans and bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 minutes. Remove from pans onto towel and rub top with oleo.

BROTHER HOSPITALIZED

F.F. "Blondy" Pistole of near Oklahoma City, Okla. was brought by ambulance Tuesday to Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. A former resident, he is the brother of Myrt Loman.

HOSPITALIZED

Mrs. L.C. McLain was admitted Saturday to Lubbock Methodist Hospital for tests and observations.

FROM LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bennett had as weekend guests their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Bennett and son of Lubbock.

VISIT SON

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Allensworth visited their son and family Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Allensworth and Cody Shane in Amherst Sunday.

DAUGHTER VISITS

Mrs. D.M. Gamblin of Sunray came Monday to spend a week with her mother, Mrs. V.E. Bearden.

IN ROSWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brooks visited in Roswell, N.M. with his niece and family Mr. and Mrs. Kile Yourk Jr. They attended the wedding of a nephew, DeWayne York.

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Mrs. Frank Walker Feted With Pink & Blue Shower

Mrs. Frank Walker of Plainview was complimented Tuesday afternoon with a pink and blue shower in the home of Mrs. Ed Bennett.

Honored guests were Mrs. Gene Walker of Plainview and Mrs. Glyn Reed, grandmothers-to-be, and Mrs. W.R. Reed, prospective great-grandmother.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Ralph Futrell. Mrs. George Ed Bennett registered gifts.

The party table was laid with a pink cloth and centered with a

musical mobil which was presented as a gift to the honoree. Cookies, punch and nuts were served by Mmes. Harold Bob Bennett and Danny Sides of Hereford. Appointments were crystal and silver.

Hostess gifts also included a high chair and baby quilt.

Assisting with hostess duties were Mrs. Ronnie Farris of Dalhart, Mrs. Cheryl Glidewell of Dimmitt, and Mmes. George Ed Bennett, Harold Bob Bennett, Kenneth Lambert, Paul Armstrong, Ralph Futrell, Dean Sanders, Bob Bennett and Lelo Sarabia.

Joe Baileys Complimented With Surprise Party

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey were honored Saturday evening with a surprise wedding anniversary party in their home. The Baileys celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary Thursday.

Hosted by their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Stallings, Brandy and Jonalyn of Dimmitt; Mr. and

Mrs. Kenneth Sharp and Miranda of Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Godfrey and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Calhoun of Dimmitt, the occasion was celebrated with visiting and card games.

Frosted in white, the anniversary cake was decorated with the numerals, "30" in blue. Sandwiches, dips and chips, punch and coffee were also served to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndall Warren and Nora Lee Zybur.

HAVE BEEN SICK

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Allen and children were on the sick list the past week.



KATHY TILTON

July Wedding Planned

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tilton of Lowell, Ind., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kathy, to Joe Villegas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Heberto Villegas of Hart.

A July 12 wedding is planned in the Catholic Church of Momence, Ill. The young couple plans to make their home in Hart.

The prospective groom is a 1973 graduate of Lowell High School. He is presently employed as a welder in Lowell.

Miss Tilton will graduate this spring.

MEMORIALS

New offering plates have been given to the First Baptist Church as memorials to Donald Sopher.

IN LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Warren of Hereford were in Lubbock over the weekend and visited with Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Warren and Kenneth Warren. Coming Sunday afternoon to visit with the group were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Warren of Floydada, and Mr. and Mrs. Lyndall Warren and Bill.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brooks, Neoma and Sharon; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wilson and Roy Taack attended funeral services Saturday in Tulia for N.H. Baldwin and Jerry Edwards. The two, accountants, were killed in a plane crash. Brooks served as pallbearer for Baldwin.

FROM OLTON

Mr. and Mrs. DeVurn Mandrell of Olton visited Mr. and Mrs. Garner Ball Friday night.

Party Fetes Jana Upton

Jana Upton was feted by her parents with a birthday party Saturday in observance of her fifth birthday.

Enjoying outdoor games, party favors and refreshments of birthday cake, ice cream and Kool-Aid were the honoree's brother, Matthew; John Daryl McLain, Resha Ammons, Kelley and Calley Poarch, Charlotte Cole and Cindy Knox.

Birthday Party Honors Davis

Jerry Davis was feted with a birthday party Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert English.

Birthday cake, coffee and punch were served to the honoree, his wife, Brenda, and twin daughters, Karla and Karen; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, Kenneth, Doyle and Larry; Mr. and Mrs. Perry Barham; Berry Barham and Vera Alford.

SUNDAY GUESTS

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, Doyle and Larry Sunday were other family members, Kenneth, who is home on leave from California; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kennedy, Michael and John of Dumas; and Mr. and Mrs. David Dalton, Melissa and Shawn of Olton. Also visiting were Mrs. Dail Miller and Kay; Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Davis, Gary, Gennie, Gerald, Gregg and Glen, all of Olton; Richard Davis of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Davis, Karla and Karen. Calling Sunday afternoon were Mrs. Ott Bryan and Juanita of Hereford and Virgie Moulton of Dimmitt.

VISIT DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brooks and Sharon visited Sunday in Plainview with their daughter and sister, Neoma Brooks. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brooks and girls.

Card Of Thanks

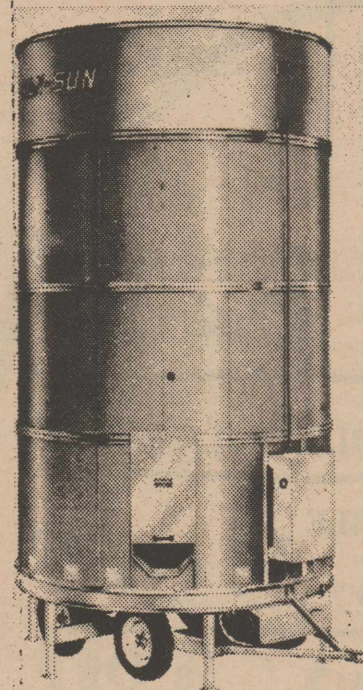
We wish to express sincere gratitude to friends and loved ones who did so much to lend comfort in our time of sorrow.

The presence of friends during these hours has done much to sustain us. We are grateful for the many acts of kindness shown us in written and spoken words, by gifts of flowers, memorials and foods, and we especially want to thank the kind doctors and nurses who served so faithfully for us.

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ORDINANCE NO. 47

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SHOOTING OF FIREARMS AND AIR GUNS WITHIN THE CITY OF HART, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR PENALTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Hart, Texas deems the passage, promulgation and enforcement of the provisions hereinafter contained necessary for the protection and promotion of public health, safety and general welfare of the community of the City of Hart;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Hart, Texas:

SECTION 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge any gun, pistol, rifle or other firearm of any description within the corporate limits of the City of Hart, Texas.

SECTION 2. The preceding section shall not apply when such firing is done in the necessary and lawful protection of one's person, premises or property, unless such firing be recklessly or negligently done.

SECTION 3. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to shoot or discharge any pellet gun, air gun or air rifle of any description within the corporate limits of the City of Hart, Texas.

SECTION 4. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and conviction thereof shall be punishable by fine not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (100.00), and

WHEREAS, an emergency is apparent for the immediate preservation of health, safety and general welfare of the public that requires this Ordinance to become effective immediately; therefore all rules to the contrary requiring three or more readings of said Ordinance are hereby waived and this Ordinance shall become effective as of the date of its publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of January, 1975.

Richard Franks, Mayor
City of Hart, Texas

ATTEST
Virginia Reed, Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 46
AN ORDINANCE DEFINING JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES: DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES WITHIN THE CITY OF HART TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS;

PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND ORDER TO ABATE NUISANCE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR REMOVAL AND DISPOSITION OF JUNKED VEHICLES AS PUBLIC NUISANCES FROM PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY, PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; AND DECLARING an emergency.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Hart, Texas, deems the passage, promulgation and enforcement of the provisions hereinafter contained necessary for the protection and promotion of public health, safety and general welfare of the community of the City of Hart;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City

Commission of the City of Hart, Texas;

SECTION 1 - DEFINITIONS

A. Junked vehicle means any motor vehicle as defined in Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act, which is inoperative and which does not have lawfully affixed thereto both an unexpired license plate or plates, and a valid motor vehicle safety inspection certificate, and which is wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled, or discarded.

SECTION II DECLARING A JUNKED VEHICLE A PUBLIC NUISANCE

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to park, place, store, wreck, dismantle or discard any junked, inoperable or disabled motor vehicle, motor vehicle body, parts or equipment, tools or machinery, on the real property of another or a public street or public rightofway.

SECTION III- PROCEDURE FOR ABATING SUCH PUB-

LIC NUISANCES

A. Any employee of the City of Hart may enter upon private property for the purposes specified in this ordinance to examine vehicles or parts thereof, obtain information as to the identity of vehicles, and to remove or cause the removal of any vehicle or parts thereof declared to be a public nuisance pursuant to this ordinance, providing that either permission of the owner of the private property has been obtained, or in the event such owner refuses or cannot be located after due diligence, the employee has probable cause to believe that a violation of this ordinance has occurred, and a search warrant has been obtained from the Judge of the Hart Municipal Court, based upon an affidavit as to the facts of probable cause.

SECTION VI - PENALTY

Any person, firm, association, or corporation violating

any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and each day that such violation continues after the time for abatement as herein set out, shall constitute a separate offense.

AND, WHEREAS, an emergency is apparent for the immediate preservation of health, safety and general welfare of the public, that requires this ordinance to become effective immediately; therefore, all rules to the contrary requiring three of several readings of said ordinance are hereby waived, and this ordinance shall become effective as of the date of its publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of January, 1975.
Richard Franks, Mayor

ATTEST:
Virginia Reed, Secretary

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Dixie Shop

Travel Time

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Levines

West Pharmacy

Dargan's

Percy Harts

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year).

Along with the post office, Percy's father also stocked a few staple groceries which had to be hauled from Plainview or Hereford.

The post office and grocery stock was kept in the Harts' two room home. In 1908 they added another room with a cellar below which was not built for storms ("We didn't have storms in those days."). It was used, instead, as a smoke house.

"Of course the smoke would

come up through the floor into the house but we didn't mind that. We even enjoyed the smell."

The first crops planted in the virgin land were grains for cattle feed. Mules or horses pulled the plows to break the sod of the pastureland and the mature feed was also gathered with hard labor.

"We had a mule hitched to a sled. We rode the sled and would pull the feed over on our laps, cut it and when we got a lap full, we'd push it off in a pile. Then we'd have to go back and gather it into shocks."

"When we got modernized with one of the first binders, we'd stack it in shocks," Percy remembers. In the earlier years, those shocks remained in the field until they were used. Later, they were brought together for storage so that the field might be plowed and made ready for another year.

Long before the automobile became the mode of transportation, Percy says everyone kept an extra horse or two at the house for the unexpected need that might arise. It was a

"neighborly" age and any one with a need felt welcomed to "borrow" a horse from any early day settler.

"Maybe they needed to go for a doctor and they'd ridden their own horse till he was worn out. They'd trade horses and ride down. If you found someone else's horse in your lot, you knew someone had gone for a doctor or some other emergency had come up."

"We didn't worry. We knew they'd bring it back. After we got cars, folks would also borrow your car whether you were home or not."

"You might be off on horseback and come home to find it gone but you knew they'd bring it back and, if something happened to it, they'd fix it for you."

When Percy got his own "jitney" couples would borrow it to go get married. "Four couples borrowed my jitney to get married and all of them before I was married."

Percy recalls his father's first car was a Buick bought in 1914. "They sent a man out from Plainview with the car to

teach him to drive it."

Asked if he had the privilege of driving the new car, Percy grins and says, "Not much!"

Soon after settlers arrived in the County, the need for a school was met with a small one room building which was also used for church services.

Everyone met together and preachers were invited to come for services that had no denominational barriers.

Percy still has a Sunday School record book for 1905. "And there are a surprisingly large number of names on that old record," he says.

Reared in Floyd County, Edna and Percy met at a "singing," a popular get-together in those days when there were no other forms of entertainment. The singings were held in homes and were big events.

Percy and Edna were married in March, 1926. The wedding trip, via jitney, was to Plainview.

Percy and Edna had a 24'x24' home when they married. "It had just one finished wall. Only half of the house was floored at first but the room with the dirt floor was still a bedroom."

"For a year or so, we cooked on a bachelor stove and then we got a four burner oil stove,"

says Edna who adds that she believes they bought it for ten dollars from her parents when they bought a newer stove.

Edna remembers their first kitchen cabinet was a small corner cupboard which Percy built. "We didn't have much to put in it so it didn't need to be very big," she says. With a grin, Percy adds, "But I was a pretty good carpenter."

The Harts' son, Joe Percy, lives with his family just a short distance from "the home place." He has two sons, Vic and Gary, and a daughter, LaDonna.

Edna has two sons by a previous marriage. Leon lives in Michigan and has no children. Troy, a Californian, lost a son in Vietnam and has one son living.

The old house which traveled across country to a new location and the future site of a town which bore its owner's name was taken apart years ago. The lumber was salvaged for a windbreak.

The windbreak is still there and when Percy recalls his boyhood home, he is not sure of its exact size.

I'm gonna measure it someday," he says.

DINNER GUESTS

Recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis, Doyle and Larry were their son, Kenneth, who was home on leave after completing 11 weeks Marine training at San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. Joe Kennedy, Michiel and John and Kay Miller, all of Dumas; Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, Gail and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gearhart and Mrs. Opal Boone, all of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Ott Bryan and Juanita of Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. David Dalton, Melissa and Shawn of Olton and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Davis, Karen and Karla.

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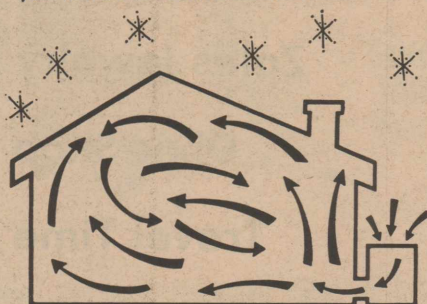
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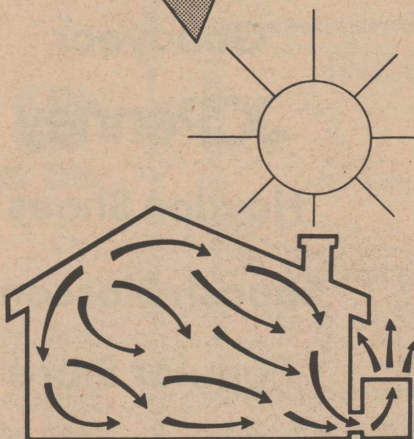


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Rodman Rites Held In Tyler

Funeral services were held Jan. 18 in Tyler for Roy Rodman, 54, son-in-law of the Rev. and Mrs. Elra Phillips.

Family services were conducted by Rev. Phillips in the chapel of Lloyd James Funeral Home. Last rites were held at 1:30 p.m. in Christ Episcopal Church. Officiating were the Rev. Richard Elwood and Dr. John H. Beard. Interment was in the Cathedral in the Pines, Tyler.

Rodman, a trucker, was killed Jan. 15 in a truck accident just outside Jasper. He was enroute to Jasper when the truck he was driving struck a bridge abutment and plunged into 15 feet of water in the Neches River.

Survivors include his wife, Billie; two sons, Roger Rodman and Phil Reagan, both of Tyler; and four grandchildren.

Stock Show

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Hill, second place, heavy cross and third, heavy cross; and Lana Tucker, second, middleweight, cross.

In lamb competition, Marlan Hart exhibited the reserve grand champion with his Hampshire that are also named reserve breed champion; Kelly King, Randy Popejoy and Terry Beavers showed breed champions. King, fine wool; Popejoy, finewool cross and Beavers, Southdown.

Marlan Hart exhibited the first place light and first place middleweight medium wool lamb. Danny Carson showed the second light, medium wool.

Other lamb winners were Doug Holley, fourth, heavy, fine wool; Lana Tucker, middle, Hampshire; Larry Marble, fifth, heavy, Hampshire; Kent Irons, sixth, heavy, Hampshire; Randy Popejoy, fourth, heavy, cross; Kelly King, third, heavy cross; and Lester Aven, eighth middle, Hampshire.

Darrell Lacy showed the fifth place middleweight crossbred steer.

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City Commission Meets, Adopts Two Ordinances

Hart City Commissioners adopted two ordinances at their regular meeting Monday evening. They are printed elsewhere in this issue.

In other action, the Commission employed Nabor Coronado III through the school co-op program.

City commissioners also voted to donate a 1942 Ford truck to the Volunteer Fire Department to be used as they

desire.

Attending were Mayor Richard Franks, W.T. Sanders and Aubrey Myers. The next Commission meeting will be held Feb. 24.\$

IN HEREFORD

Mrs. Nora Ray spent the weekend in Hereford with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Landtroop.

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DAUGHTER MOVES

Patricia Garnder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Van Vliet, has moved here from

Kansas City, Mo. She is presently staying with her parents and is employed with a telephone company.

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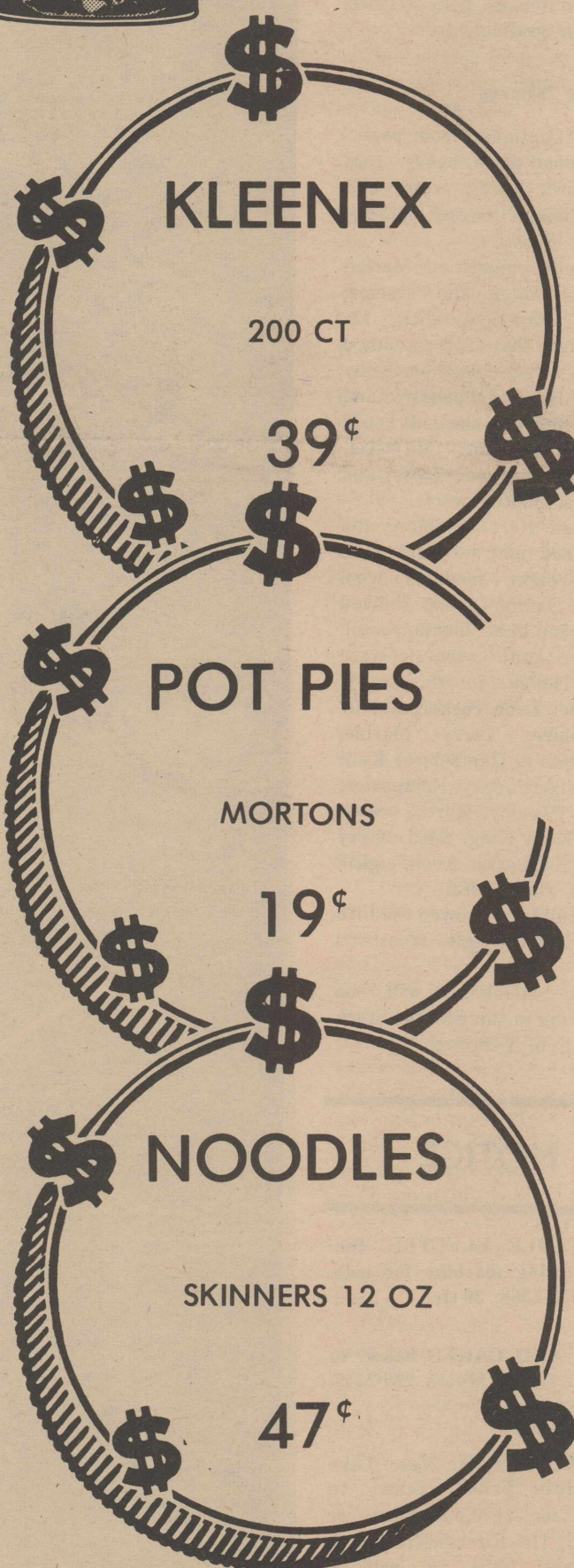
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