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Capsule Review Of The 1960's

JANUARY 1963

Members of Diboll Volunteer Fire Department have secured $250 toward purchase of resuscitator.

Booster Club packed and distributed 40 baskets for needy before Christmas.

The Free Press printed first paper in its new Diboll plant January 16.

Downtown Diboll was covered in snow Sunday morning, January 19.

Village Food Market advertised ground beef for 39 cents per pound, baby beef sirloin for 69 cents per pound, and large eggs for 39 cents a dozen.

FEBRUARY 1963

Hudson Hornets dealt the Diboll Lumberjacks their 16th consecutive loss of the season.

A delegation of Diboll people met with Robert Weaver, HHFA director in Houston to present their case for urban renewal programs in Diboll.

The Dallas Camera Club has an exhibit of photography at Pine Bough.

Janie Black and Lawrence Capps were chosen Mr. and Miss DHS.

United Gas Corporation has declined Diboll's offer to buy the local gas works.

Ted Eddings will be manager of Diboll-Lufkin area for Temple Lumber Company.

Children's haircuts are going up from 75 cents to $1 effective March 1 according to an ad placed by Village Barber Shop and Smith's Barber Shop.

Proposed plans for a $600,000 motel and restaurant were announced by SPLCo.

Baseball season will open on March 8. Members of DHS team are Jimmy Farley, Tommy Farley, Doug Hardy, James Lee, Dwain Lane, Dave Martinez, Royce Eddington, Alton Baker, Joel Baker, D. L. Busby, Lawrence Capps, Alfred Sowell, Donald Stringer, Ira John Williamson, Kenneth Yates and Larry Miller.

MARCH 1963

A $32,000 grant has been okayed for a new library building here. Funds must be matched locally.

The Area Redevelopment Agency has announced a $7,000 grant for assistance to County in study of feasibility of plywood manufacturing plant.

The scouting program in Diboll has been on the rise in recent weeks. Stacy Cooke is institutional representative for the local program. He represents the Diboll Lions Club, sponsor of the scouting program. Scoutmaster is Jack Hollingsworth, Assistant Scoutmasters are Joe Denman and Horace Stubblefield; Explorer Post Leader is William Fulmer; and Cub Scout Leader is Dennis Maynard.

Booming sales of Miracle Mulch, produced by Miramul, Inc., has forced announced plans for a $30,000 expansion program at the Diboll plant.

Third and final Sabin Oral Sunday found almost 21,000 citizens in Angelina County taking Type III anti-polio vaccine Sunday, January 17.

Mrs. Arthur Temple Sr. made a $10,000 donation to the Diboll library.

Judy Jordan, a member of the Free Press staff, has been named second place winner in the Texas Railroad Association's 1962 newspaper contest.

Milford Ruby has been elected president of Diboll Little League.

Free Press ran first color picture March 28.

Jimmie Ferguson, Diboll switchboard operator at SPCLo. was honored at Pine Bough with an appreciation dinner.

APRIL 1963

Diboll Housing Foundation is seeking 42 new low-rental units in Walter Allen Addition.

The mayor and all aldermen were re-elected in City election.

School Board posts went to incumbents E. F. Hendrick and Leon Brown and to newcomer Marshall Capps of Beulah. Running a close fourth was Mrs. Pearl Hoot. Other candidates were Dennis Maynard, George McClain, L. B. Tindall and Henry Ligon.

Owners of Dixie Furniture Company have announced plans to build a new and modern furniture store in Diboll. It will be located on the corner lot, intersection Loop 210 and old Diboll highway.

Houses are being moved off the front row of Watson Walker Addition.

Land planners and sanitary experts with FHA out of Washington are here to inspect the site in Walter Allen Addition where Diboll Housing Foundation plans to build 42 new low-rent housing units.

Death takes SPLCo. Sales Manager Edward B. Price.

Kenneth Nelson was paid tribute by fellow members of School Board. Nelson did not seek re-election this year.

Robert J. Weston has been named Vice President in Charge of Marketing for SPLCo.

A new street is under construction between Village Food Market and Diboll State Bank.

TSE Railroad has bought 30 boxcars. They will bear the SPLCo. decal and colors.

Temple High Boosters officers were installed at a banquet last week. Latane' Temple installed the following men: Rev. Willie McLemore, president; C. R. Hunt, vice president; Lindberg King, collector; Lloyd Triplett, treasurer; and J. E. Rhone, secretary.

Diboll's population is now officially 3,004.

Diboll Advertising Agency received two awards for outstanding artwork and design.

MAY 1963

Descendants and relatives of T. L. L. Temple have donated a total of $36,300 to Library Building Fund.

H. G. Stubblefield is chairman of newly-formed Diboll Housing Authority. Commissioners are Vernon Burkhalter, Willie Massey, James Rhone and Rev. Dan Smith.

Volunteers built a new concession stand for the Diboll Little League last weekend.

Diboll Lumberjacks looked good in their two baseball games last week. Lefty Joel Baker blanked the Alto Yellowjackets 12-0, and right-hander Bobby Baker came back to beat Corrigan 2-1.

Mrs. Hileory Pouland did a great job handling the Friends of Diboll Libraries campaign last week. Her membership drive helpers signed up about 650 members.

SPLCo. service pins were presented to Mrs. Mildred Winder, Mrs. Jo Nell Placker, C. E. Breazeale, Herman Henderson, Jewel Brown, Cleon Murry, T. L. Ross, Roy Scott, Roger Goff, J. W. Fenley, Farris Tanner, Junior Kee and Paul Squyres.

Lumberjacks closed out the season on Doug Hardy's no-hitter against Alto. The season ended with an 11-7 record and third place in District 21-A.

Rev. Dan Smith, pastor of Diboll's First Baptist Church, has resigned effective May 31.

Arthur Temple Jr. was lauded for his service to NLMA during the past year as president.

Lee E. Cook has been named to SPLCo. Board of Directors.

Carl Pavlic was installed as new president of Diboll PTA.

SPLCo. announced plans for plywood plant here in 1964.

Herschel Payne was promoted to General Sales Manager of SPLCo.

Diboll State Bank is remodeling and a drive-in window is being installed.

Temple Lumber Company's name changed to The Great Texas Lumber Company.

New officers of the Diboll Garden Club elected recently were Mrs. Kenneth Nelson, president; Mrs. Mike Partin, vice president; Mrs. Stacy Cooke, secretary; Mrs. J. R. Dale, treasurer.

JUNE 1963

New tennis courts are under construction. They are being built by SPLCo. in conjunction with high school activity funds, for use by Dibollians.

Lela Wyatt's 41-year teaching career ended with her retirement this month.

Suzanne Franks was named Miss Splash Day of 1963. Runners-up were Clara Wilkerson, Peggy Pouland, Judy Rector and Pat Grimes.

Nita Ramsey was valedictorian, Carole Gene Breazeale salutatorian and Scotty Brown was third-ranking student and winner of PTA scholarship of DHS graduating class.

Everybody griped about the "chug holes" in front of the Post Office, but nobody did anything about it. Evidently Bob York got tired of hearing about it because last week he filled them in.

SPLCo. Directors approved the purchase of a debarking unit for the sawmill here. It will be installed at a cost of about $40,000.

Lynn's Food Center is being remodeled. Owner Carl Pavlic says the expansion will about double the size of the store.

The Farley Brothers and Bobby Baker are among the leading hitters in Lufkin Colt League.

Diboll's Miss Nita Ramsey was named "Miss Congeniality" at the Miss Lufkin Pageant. Judy McNeil was named winner in Miss Lufkin contest and Murphy Martin was Master of Ceremonies.

JULY 1963

Southern Pine Lumber Company and U. S. Plywood Corporation will build a $3 Million plywood plant in Diboll.

Reidel Wilkerson won first bike in Free Press bike contest and right behind him was winner Trey Denman.

The City received a check for $8,218.93 from Texas Power & Light Company for street rental.

Weekly burglars entered five Diboll businesses.

SPLCo. and Southwest Forest Industries announced an agreement making Southern Pine exclusive sales representatives for Southwest's Edens-Birch Lumber Division in Corrigan.

Mayor Clyde Thompson left July 25 for a vacation in Hawaii.

AUGUST 1963

Construction of a $1 Million log handling and processing system was begun here by SPLCo.

Rev. C. B. Bass of Anahuac will be coming to First Baptist Church as new pastor.

Temple Associates was awarded library contract with a low bid of $73,644.

Land is being cleared in West Diboll where more than 75 houses will be moved to make room for the huge new pine plywood plant.

The Housing Authority of City of Diboll has been given the go ahead to build 174 new low-rent housing units.

Diboll High School has added a Vocational Distributive Education class. Jerry Modisette will co-ordinate the program.

Construction of modern truck weighing scales is currently underway in north Diboll.

SPLCo. will change all their green cars and trucks for white ones.

Thirty-three Lumberjacks reported for workouts.

Angelina County Sheriff Leon Jones this week hired a deputy who will be stationed in Diboll. Jerry Nesmith will begin work on September 1.

Work is nearing completion on the access road into the new log processing center.

SEPTEMBER 1963

Construction is progressing on the new hanger for Temple Industries aircraft at Angelina County airport.

C. H. Shepherd replaced Rev. Dan Smith as commissioner of Diboll Housing Authority.

Jaycees of Lufkin presented Diboll Schools with copy of "The Martin Dies Story".

The Fair Acres Farm shorthorns swept all divisions of the Tyler Fair.

Temple Industries has selected Ritchie Advertising Agency to direct advertising, marketing and public relations program.

Diboll City Council is taking steps toward the purchase of water and sewer systems from SPLCo.

Shelbyville downed Diboll 12-0. Jack bright spots: Jimmy Farley's 36-yard punting average and defensive playing of Ira Williamson.

Head DHS Football Coach E. H. Bush achieved one of his season goals when 40 boys reported for practice.

OCTOBER 1963

Jim Aston, in partnership with W. A. Wills of Henderson, will operate Diboll Department Store.

Garrison stopped Diboll for the 15th straight year with a 20-6 win. Diboll's only TD scored by Tommy Farley on 20 yard pass from QB Jimmy Camp.

The new access road to Walter Allen Addition has been named Neal Pickett Drive.

Lumberjacks beat Westwood 7-6, Oct. 4. Bright spots: Eugene Capps fine running, defensive play of freshman Wayne Stephens. Capps was leading ground gainer with 95 yards.

Lumberjacks blasted Corrigan, 35-14, Oct. 11. Some bright spots: Kenneth Yates picking up important yardage in last half; Gary Hendrick's defensive work at center; G. W. Capps' improved pass defense.

More boys are turning out for football practice and for first time, Diboll has a "B"-team.

Pavlic's Supermarket, formerly Lynn's Food Center, is having its grand opening sale the week of Oct. 24.

Work continues on new home of Dixie Furniture on Loop 210.

Jacks fall to the Grapeland Sandies, 32-0, Oct. 18. Temple Tigers kept their district hopes alive with a 12-0 win over Grapeland.

City Council decided to buy utilities from SPLCo. for $211,-000.

TFA presented Free Press an award for "outstanding work in promotion of forest conservation."

Clifford Breazeale was appointed JP for Precinct 5.

Don Wier has been named by City Council to serve as Director of Civil Defense.

Groveton stomped the Lumberjacks, 42-0, Oct. 25.

Edwin Nelson has opened a watch repair shop on Loop 210.

The Diboll Lions Club is in the midst of numbering houses in Diboll in a project which, when completed, may make Diboll eligible for house-to-house mail delivery.

NOVEMBER 1963

Richie Wells, retired Woods Foreman, died here November 6. Wells had lived in Diboll 22 years and was an employee of SPLCo. for 50 years.

Jacks fell to Alto, 18-6, November 1. Alto's Jackrabbit James Jeter jinxed 'em. Temple Tigers beat Center Grove 56-0.

Owners Mr. and Mrs. Ted DePriest are staging a remodeling sale this weekend to show off new Village Food Market.

Diboll Booster Club donated $300 to Highway Beautification Project.

The Diboll Lumberjacks came from behind to beat Trinity 28-14 in season finale November 15.

Residents of Angelina County were gradually returning to normal pattern after mourning slain President John F. Kennedy November 22.

DECEMBER 1963

Nathan Edwards, Billy Griggs and Paul Spivey, co-owners of the new Dixie Furniture Company, are planning a grand opening for next week.

Halfback G. W. Capps and line backer Jimmy Farley were named to spots on the second all-district team. Truett Hugg and Dwain Lane received honorable mention.

Dewey Ballenger has retired after 50 years service with SPLCo.

$285,000 Christmas bonuses are being handed out by Temple Industries.

W. Temple Webber was named president of Board of Directors of Memorial Hospital.

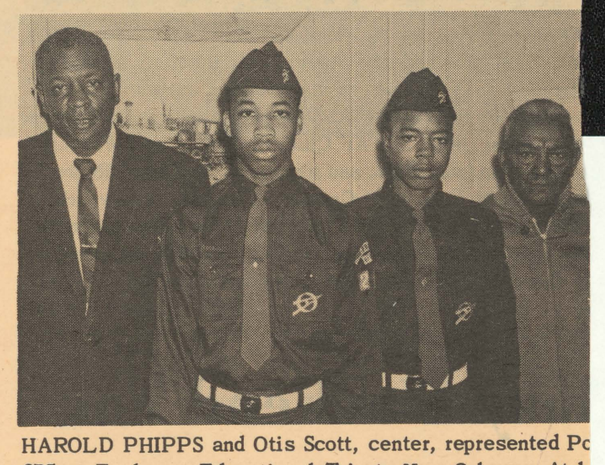
Long-range sales plan is being launched by Temple Industries, Robert Weston announced.

Four graduate sales trainees will start selling January 1 for Temple Industries. They are Wayne Redden, Henry Holubec, Harold Maxwell and Jack Beene.

Harold Phipps and Otis Scott represented Scout Post 275 of Diboll on the annual Explorer's Educational Trip to New Orleans.



C. H. SHEPHERD, JR., center, poses with Diboll May Clyde Thompson and H. G. Stubblefield after taking o as commissioner of Housing Authority of City of Dibo



HAROLD PHIPPS and Otis Scott, center, represented Po 275 at Explorers Educational Trip to New Orleans. At l is Willie Massey, institutional representative and right E. V. Cade, local committee chairman.



NATHAN EDWARDS, Billy Griggs and Paul Spivey, owners of Dixie Furniture in Diboll and Corrigan.

THIS WAS THE YEAR 1963 IN DIBOLL



DOWNTOWN DIBOLL was covered in a blanket of sn January 19. The fall measured about four inches.



TEMPLE HIGH BOOSTERS INSTALLED – Shown right left, C. R. Hunt, Lindberg King, Lloyd Triplett, Lata Temple, who installed officers, Reverend Willie McLemo Reverend Simmons and Amos Harris.

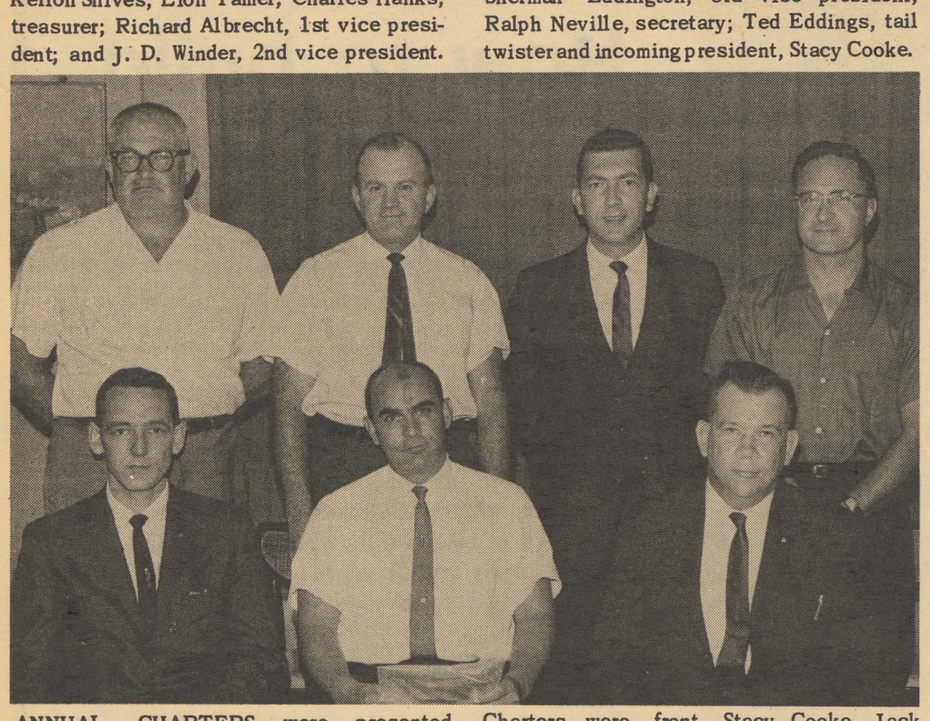


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THIS WAS 1963 IN DIBOLL



NEW OFFICERS of the Diboll Lions Club were installed June 18. They are, front row, Kerlon Shives, Lion Tamer; Charles Hanks, treasurer; Richard Albrecht, 1st vice president; and J. D. Winder, 2nd vice president. On the back row are George K. DuPuy, installing officer from Lufkin Lions Club; Sherman Eddington, 3rd vice president; Ralph Neville, secretary; Ted Eddings, tail twister and incoming president, Stacy Cooke.



ANNUAL CHARTERS were presented by R. C. Witherell, front right, to local scout organizations at the July 2 meeting of the Diboll Lions Club. Receiving Charters were, front, Stacy Cooke, Jack Hollingsworth. Back row: Doyne Rich, Joe C. Denman, Mike Partin and Bill Fulmer.



THESE YOUNG DIBOLL SWIMMERS captured the annual Lufkin Kiwanis Club swim meet in Lufkin. Left to right are Suzanne Stubblefield, Lynda Rutherford, Janice Hoot, Glenda Conner, Fran Rich, Kristen Fulmer, Linda Hoot, Martin White, George McClain, Tommy Farley and Jimmy Farley. Standing are Coach Don Wier, at right swimmer Gordon Craft; Swimmers Joann Lindsey, Richard Warner and Wayne Barlow are not pictured. The local swimmers placed in every event they entered, winning first place in ten events.



SUZANNE FRANKS, Miss Splash Day of 1963, poses with runnersup Clara Wilkerson, Peggy Pouland, Judy Rector and Pat Grimes.

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