

Capsule Review Of The 1960's

JANUARY 1969
The Wood Products Co. has \$150,000 bark processing in operation in Diboll. F. (Lefty) Vaughn and T. Ramsey were elected for Angelina Water of Improvement District Number Two.

Water Club donated \$24,000 to local clubs and organizations. The T.G.s. and Pool Board okayed plans in the City to the State for funds to help adult education classes. The new Junior Citizens Clubs at Di-

boll Elementary School are David Carrico, Charles Parrish, Julie Lazarine and Gregg Mullins.

FEBRUARY 1969
The Free Press received an award for "outstanding service in Alcoholic Narcotic Education."

Senator Charles Wilson has been named to head the Senate Committee on Banking.

The Lumberjacks beat Coldspring, 75-57, to move Diboll's basketball season record to 22-7 and 7-0 in District 22-AA play.

Linda Chandler has been

voted Chapter Sweetheart by the DHS Future Farmers of America Chapter.

Lumberjack Danny Baker has signed a pre-enrollment application to University of Texas. He is only the second DHS athlete to earn a full scholarship at a Southwestern Conference school.

Deanna Ramsey and Bill Smith were honored at a Sweetheart Banquet at the Diboll United Methodist Church for their service to the church.

DHS Lumberjacks won District 22-AA District basketball title with 66-56 win over Crockett.

Michael D. Dingman was elected to board of directors of Temple Industries.

Lumberjacks lost the bi-district game, 68-59, to Fidelity Manor.

MARCH 1969

Temple Industries reported record sales and income for year ended December 31, 1968.

It was "Happy 99th Birthday" to Fessor Jackson.

The young people of the First Baptist Church were honored with a sweetheart banquet.

Third grade students at Diboll Elementary School had a "Famous Texan" Day.

Temple Industries has bought Chattanooga Box and Lumber Company of Chattanooga, Tenn. for an amount in excess of \$1,000,000.

Wanda Taylor, 17-year-old Diboll High School senior, will represent Diboll as duchess to the Annual Dogwood Festival

in Woodville.

T.L.L. Temple Memorial Library budget for 1969-70 was set at \$12,101.

Bill Garrett, owner of Garrett Pharmacy, died suddenly March 13.

Mac Mitchell, Kelvin Phipps and Jesse James were named to the 22-AA All-District basketball team.

Mrs. Marvin Baker has been selected president of the Pilot Club of Diboll for the 1969-70 year.

Temple Industries has acquired in excess of 96 percent of the stock of Temple Manufacturing Co. in Dallas.

Adult Education classes have been dropped by the school.

Danny Baker, DHS senior, has been selected to play in the Texas High School Coaches North-South All Star game in Dallas in August.

APRIL 1969

Temple Industries directors approved expenditures in excess of \$6,000,000 for construction of a large particleboard plant.

Henry Holubec has been named Vice President-Marketing by Temple Industries directors.

Schools in Diboll were closed for a week due to absenteeism brought on by a rash of flu-like illnesses.

James Glover won a place on the Diboll School Board and incumbents Stacy Cooke and Marshall Capps were re-elected.

Henry Holubec was elected to the City Council.

Borden Chemical plans to build a \$1 Million formaldehyde plant here. Completion is slated by year's end.

DHS student Terry White won a second place trophy from the Lufkin Optimist Club for his speech on respect for law enforcement.

Detroit Lions football star Charlie Bradshaw was guest speaker at the DHS all-sports banquet last Friday night, April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ballenger celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Joe Denman is new president of the Southern Pine Association.

Dewey M. Wolf is scheduled to join the police force here in June as senior patrolman.

Temple Industries has announced that its new particleboard plant will be built in Diboll. Bill Oates of Pineland has been named as plant manager.

MAY 1969
U. S. Senator Ralph Yarborough's office announced that 90 low-rent units of elderly housing have been approved in Diboll. Diboll now has 174 public housing units occupied, with another 80 units under construction.

Bishop Polly Durham died Tuesday, April 29.

Free Press Editor Paul Durham has been named president of the Texas Gulf Coast Press Association.

Members of the Housing Authority of the City of Diboll met to accept a preliminary planning loan of \$36,000 on 90 low-rent units for elderly citizens, and 60 units of emergency housing.

Danny Baker and Linda Chandler have been elected Mr. and Miss DHS for 1968-69 school year.

City will sell \$75,000 in street improvement bonds.

Baseball Coach Don Smiley's Jacks finished third in District 22-AA.

Little League play started after a week's delay because of rain. Robert Conner is League president this year.

Three retiring teachers were honored by friends and faculty at Hotel Fredonia. They are Mrs. Jennie Havard, who has taught 43 years; Mrs. Bee Burkhalter, 35 years; and Mrs. Mary Christopher, 23 years.

Burlon Wilkerson and David Wimp of Diboll High School scored among the top two percent of all high school students in the nation on their college entrance tests.

Harold Maxwell was installed as new president of Diboll Jaycees. C. H. Shepherd was named "Boss of the Year" and Dr. Frank Eddins was named the community's outstanding citizen of the year.

John Strain, Tom DuBose, Lisa Denman, Beth Vodicka and Zenova Scott became members of the National Honor Society.

Marvin Baker was made an Honorary Chapter Farmer by the FFA Chapter at Diboll.

Temple Industries announced plans to build a plywood plant in Carthage, Texas.

High-ranking students of the DHS graduating class were Burlon Wilkerson, valedictorian; Fran Rich, salutatorian; James Greer, third ranking; and Zenova Scott, fourth ranking student.

A new planner mill and new sorting system for green lumber are in the planning stages for Temple Industries' sawmill.

An editorial in the Free Press asked that a memorial be considered for Angelina County war dead.

JUNE 1969

Temple Industries received

an award for its contribution to 4-H Club work.

Booster Club voted unanimously to sponsor a Day Care Center.

Hill Plumbing Company has opened a shop in Diboll.

New officers of the Diboll Garden Club are Mrs. Jo Westmoreland, president; Mrs. Nancy Holubec, vice president; Mrs. Flava Vaughn, treasurer; and Mrs. Ruth Currie, secretary.

Kenneth Jordan, an 18-year-old Diboll youth, was killed in a traffic accident.

Charles Alexander of Lufkin was the first youngster to win a new bicycle in the Free Press bike contest.

Bill Bogart left the Lufkin News after 14 years service to join the Tyler Morning Telegraph as editor.

The City has purchased a new \$9,500 garbage truck.

Fire destroyed Diboll Cleaners.

Mrs. Arthur Temple Sr. of Texarkana donated \$10,000 to the Diboll Booster Club for the operation of a Day Care Center in Diboll.

The Free Press won the sweepstakes or general excellence award in the Texas Press Association newspaper contest.

JULY 1969

Temple Associates will become a Temple Industries subsidiary.

Temple Industries' Particleboard Division Manager Bill Oates has announced the selection of key personnel for the new Diboll plant. Dick Donovan will be plant superintendent; Jack Hollingsworth, sales coordinator; and Charles Donahoe, plant engineer.

The Diboll Pony League copied the 1969 season with a 7-3 victory over Huntington, ending the season with a perfect 8-0 record.

U. S. Senator Ralph Yarborough will provide a new U. S. flag for the flagpole to be erected at Lumberjack Stadium here by the 1969 senior class.

Bert D. Lindsey has joined Sabine Investment Company in Diboll.

Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin (Buzz) Aldrin took a stroll on the moon Sunday, July 20.

Diboll Elementary School will be one of the few schools in East Texas to participate in a pilot program that embraces the instruction of math and science as a single unit.

Diboll's Little League All Stars are Doug Carlton, Wayne Clark, Dennis Flowers, Larry Jantzen, Anthony Russell, Tony Harrison, Jerry Watson, Cedric Miller, Ricky Ward, Royce Williams, Mike Smith, David Porter, Jay Wyatt and Nathan Terrell. Managers are Kenneth Flowers and Don Harrison.

City will call a city sales tax election.

AUGUST 1969

Vandals damaged 21 rural mail boxes.

Felton Gordon Burt joined Diboll State Bank as vice president and loan officer.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Hendrick are new owners of Diboll Pharmacy, formerly Garrett's Pharmacy.

Danny Baker booted two field goals for the South to set a new modern record in the Texas High School Coaches Association All Star Game in Dallas.

Dibollian Paul Tucker opened his new Mobil service station in north Diboll on Highway 59.

SEPTEMBER 1969

Temple Industries stock will go on New York Stock Exchange Sept. 26.

Jim Aston and Horace Stubblefield were given the Booster Club's Gold Seal of Progress Awards for recent modernization of Aston's Department Store.

City sales tax was approved by local voters.

Sabine Investment Company announced plans to construct a modern office building in downtown Diboll.

Lumberjack Band twirlers are Kathryn McClain, Angela Capps, Gayle Saxton, Charlotte Procella, Becky Russell and Susan Trout. Suzanne Stubblefield is drum major.

A 24-year-old Huntington man was charged with two counts of felony arson in connection with two Diboll fires.

Diboll Lumberjacks were rated No. 10 in state grid poll by Houston Chronicle.

Dick Warner, Mac Mitchell and Nick Trout were selected as captains of the 1969 Lumberjacks football team.

Diboll Lumberjacks swamped the Timpson Bears, 64-8.

Total enrollments in Diboll schools continued to rise, climbing to 1,185.

The Lumberjacks beat the Grapeland Sandies, 20-0.

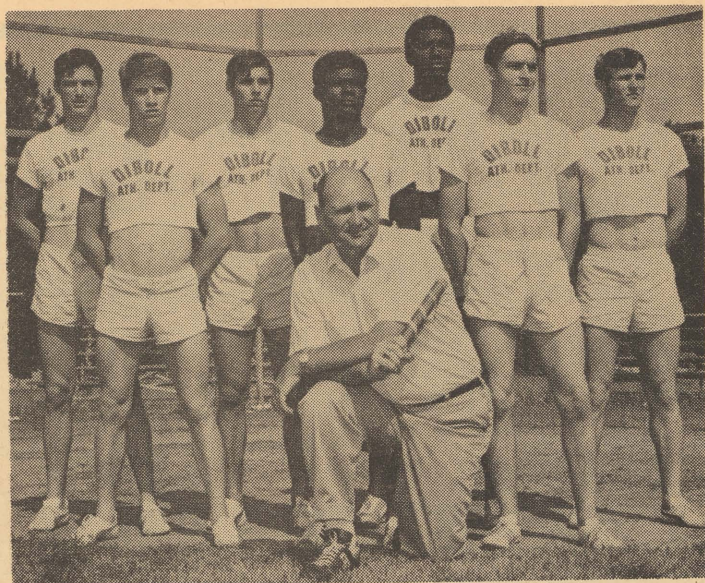
OCTOBER 1969

Police Chief Ward Phelan resigned this week.

City Council voted to construct a sidewalk on Loop 210 from Hines Street to the Highway 59 intersection.

B. F. Hines has been appointed to serve as Assistant City Judge.

Pineland's \$100,000 library was dedicated.



THESE EIGHT MEMBERS of the DHS track and field team won second place in District 22-AA track meet. Lufkin Dunbar won first. They are Robert Williams, Nick Trout, David Wimp, Charlie Smith, Mac Mitchell, David Glover, Danny Baker and Coach Joe Wyatt.



OH HAPPY DAY - Diboll State Bank President Joe Elliott (left) accepts from Jack Backer President George McClain the last payment of \$420 on a \$5,000 note made by the former Diboll Quarterback Club in 1965 to finance new lights for Lumberjack Stadium. Diboll Booster Club paid \$2,000 on the note. Looking on between Elliott and McClain is Arthur (Buddy) Temple, and at right is Albert Delco, Jack Backers treasurer.

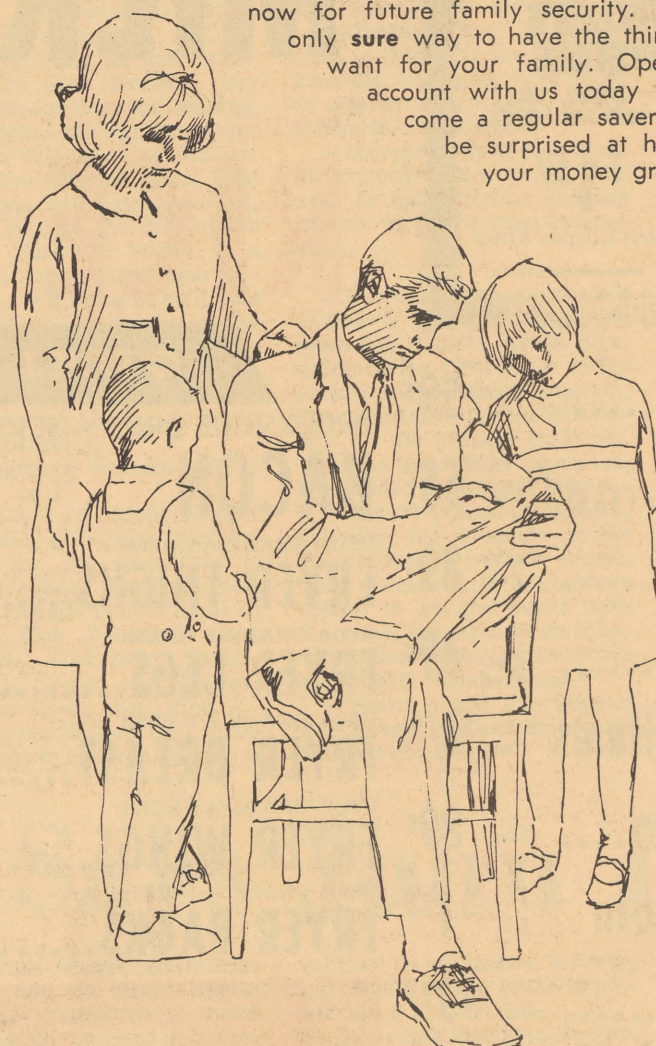
team; Lynn Pavlic and Kelvin Phipps, second offensive team; John Mark and Mac Mitchell, second defensive unit; Mac Mitchell and Tommy Joshua, offensive honorable mention team; David Moore, honorable mention defensive unit. Diboll City Council granted a 30-year operating franchise to United Gas Distribution Company. W. Temple Webber donated \$10,000 to the new Day Care Center. The Free Press has ordered two high speed presses. Thirty Diboll businesses and area friends joined with the Diboll Booster Club to supply the funds to purchase Christmas decorations for the city. The Diboll Garden Club donated and planted more than 50 shrubs at South Meadows Nursing Home.

THIS WAS THE YEAR
1969
IN DIBOLL

This concludes The Free Press' special series on the 1960's.

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FIRES LEAPED out of the sides of Diboll Cleaners as business on Neal Pickett Drive was destroyed Saturday morning, June 14.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Diboll was re-organized following the April 5 election. Standing (left to right) are Stacy Cooke, president; Robert Conner, vice president; C. H. Shepherd, secretary; Richard Albrecht. Standing are James Glover (the newest member to the board), Carl Pavlic, Marshall Capps and Supt. David Foster.



CO BUILDERS of Houston is moving along on construction of 80 new low-rent public housing units, just off South Street adjacent to the 120-unit Diboll.



DISTRICT - Coach Joe Wyatt poses with the four Lumberjacks who were named first team in the District 22-AA all-

district voting. Left to right are Fullback Nick Trout, Tackle Bobby Murry, Linebacker Kelvin Phipps and Safety Richard Warner.